

Report: The C-SIGMA VII Workshop

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Summary

The 7th C-SIGMA (Collaboration in Space for International Global Maritime Awareness) workshop was held from April 19 to 20, 2017 at the European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA) in Lisbon, Portugal. About 50 people attended - much less than the previous event held in London, which had more than 100 participants. This was likely due to the fact that the workshop was postponed twice - the original date was set for last winter. It was notable that 10 people from Japan attended.

on issues surrounding international cooperation in respect to maritime observation activities. However, Maritime Domain Awareness (MDA) systems have been established in various countries, and satellite data utilization has become commonplace. Therefore, topics these days now revolve around new technologies and the current status of MDA in each country.

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Presentations & Discussions

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Our Impressions

Originally, C-SIGMA workshops had been focused



Other Miscellaneous Comments

This was my first chance to visit Lisbon, Portugal. After the C-SIGMA was complete, I took a day to walk around and explore the city. Walking shoes would be highly recommended for such a visit, as there are a lot of hills. Despite the steep slopes, street trams were abundant.

My hotel was in the middle of the restaurant district, and excellent dinners could be found nearby every night.



Lisbon is a paradise for seafood lovers, with excellent dishes such as Bolinhos de Bacalhau (a croquette made with dried and salted cod), grilled sardines, octopus salads, and seafood risotto.

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