



**2024 CMAS (World Underwater Confederation)
Scientific Committee) Underwater Cultural Heritage Activities
in the frame of UNESCO 2001 Convention**

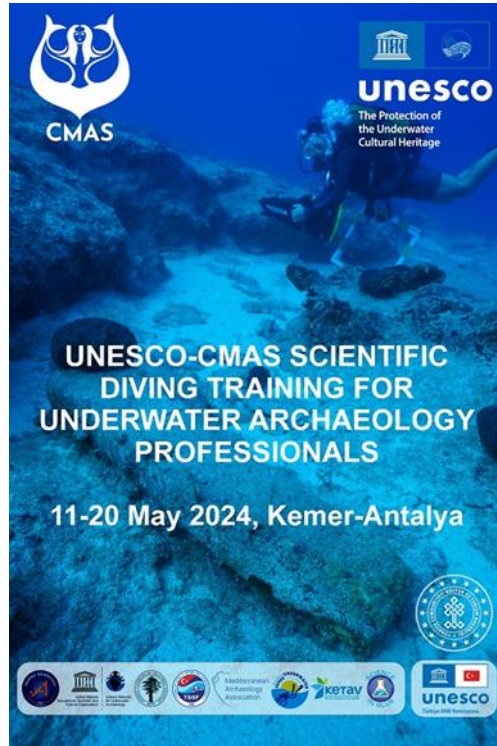
The most important steps regarding the protection of CMAS's underwater cultural heritage have been linked to the signing of an agreement in this field with UNESCO in June 2023. With this agreement, CMAS included the protection of Underwater Cultural Heritage into official training programs, and training programs were started in various country federations such as CMAS member Türkiye and Portugal and Argentina.





CMAS organized two international organizations in 2024 together with UNESCO Headquarters and Akdeniz University, a full member of the UNESCO UniTwin Underwater Archeology Network. The first of these is the CMAS-UNESCO Scientific Diving Training prepared for African Countries. The other event is the underwater cultural heritage symposium



Participation of 20 underwater archeology professionals from the Ministry of Cultures or relevant institutions of 14 African countries (Senegal, Mozambique, Algeria, Tunisia, Egypt, Cabo Verde, Kenya, Maritius, Comoros, Cibuti, Madagascar, Eritre, Gambia and Morocco) and 18 underwater archaeology professors, marine scientists and hyperbaric medicine specialists from 4 European Countries (Türkiye, Portugal, Italy and Poland) including ICOMOS-ICUCH members.





**SCIENTIFIC DIVER FOR UNDERWATER
CULTURAL HERITAGE OPERATIONS**

NAME- LAST NAME _____

UNESCO-CMAS Scientific Diving Training
for Underwater Archaeology Professionals
May 19, 2024

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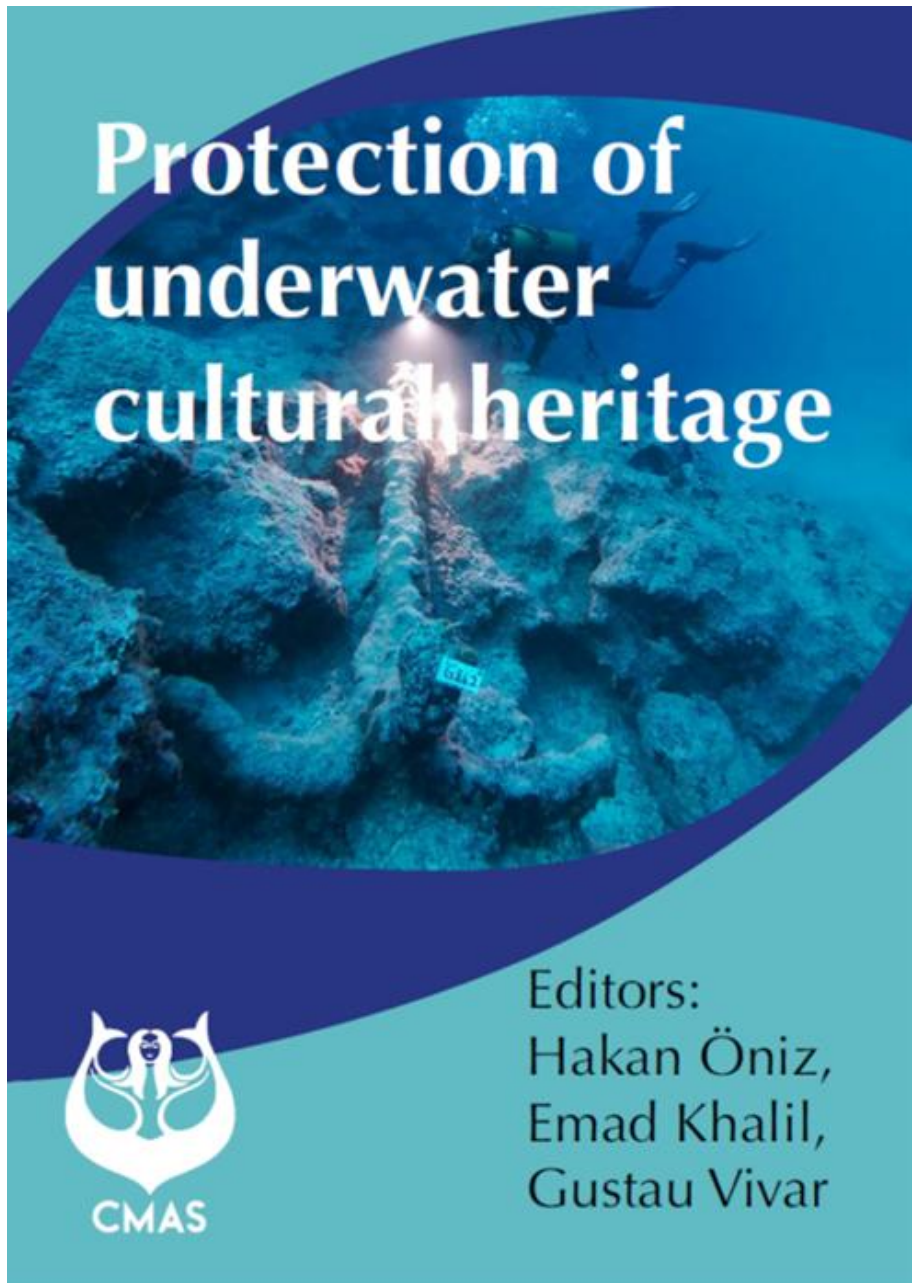


The symposium organized in parallel with the Africa program was held on 16-19 May 2024, and CMAS international UCH trainings were discussed in this program



Within the framework of the UNESCO 2001 Convention of CMAS, a book that can be connected to all the seas of the world and appeal to all ages and education levels has been prepared. The book is prepared for those who want to become CMAS two-star divers. Instructors working in this program are also trained within the scope of special training programs.

<https://2001convention-uch.ngo/index.php/publications/>





A program similar to the one held in 2024 will be implemented in 2025 between 14-23 May 2025.