



# NEWS FROM LATIN AMERICA

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## ***HYPACK SEMINAR IN SPANISH***



And we are back... The HYPACK Seminars in Spanish are back! After our successful HYPACK Seminar held in Long Beach, CA in late March 2022, we are now conducting our HYPACK Seminars in different Latin American countries in Spanish again. First, we conducted our three days of intensive training from June 29th to July 1st in Veracruz, Mexico. SEAPROD was in charge of all the logistics and organization of the event. As our reseller in Mexico, SEAPROD invited attendees, provided registration, selected the venue, and did incredible work that led to the success of the event. Thank you SEAPROD! Now, we are planning to do another HYPACK Seminar, this time in Lima, Peru and as usual the local organizer is our reseller in that country. If you want to participate, please do not hesitate to contact Humberto Vasquez of BIDHUMVA. This training event will take place at the Melia Lima Hotel from August 2nd to 4th. Here is BIDHUMVA's contact info in case you are interested or know someone that might be interested:

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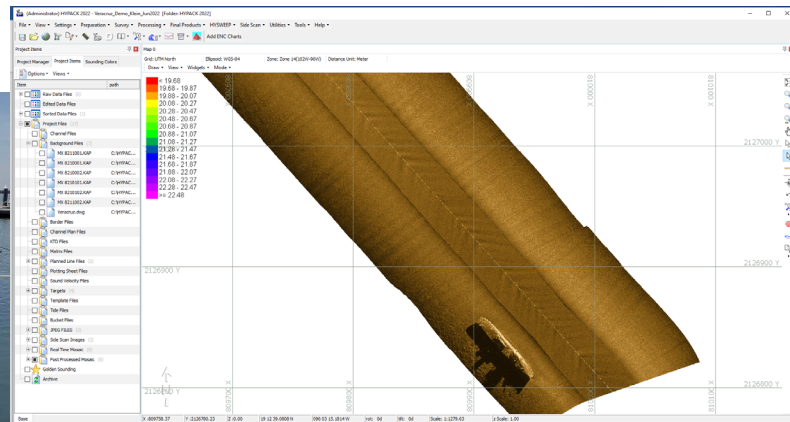
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## KLEIN - HYPACK DEMO

Taking the opportunity of our HYPACK Seminar in Veracruz, Mexico representatives from Klein came down and demonstrated their latest side scan, the MA-X VIEW 600. HYPACK recently completed the driver for that device, so we were ready to collect and process some side scan data to show the attendees of the Seminar. Thank you, Klein and SEAPROD, for making this happen, it is not easy to bring equipment from one country to another and make all the arrangements necessary to get a boat and showcase the system. Based on all the feedback, the attendees highly enjoyed having a close experience with one of the newest systems in Klein's portfolio, and operating the MA-X VIEW 600 with HYPACK® generated lots of interest.



## HYPACK® ACADEMIC LICENSES DONATED THROUGH THE THSOA LATIN AMERICAN CHAPTER



On July 1st, in a ceremony at the facilities of the Mexican National Hydrographic Office, the Latin American Chapter of the Hydrographic Society of America donated 10 HYPACK® Academic licenses presented to the Hydrographic Directorate of the Dirección de Hidrografía de la Dirección General Adjunta de Oceanografía, Hidrografía y Meteorología - Mexican Navy.

The Hydrographic Society of America (THSOA) is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization committed to promoting education in hydrography, inshore surveying, inland waters

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surveying, offshore surveying, positioning and mapping/charting, as well as related earth sciences. Due to THSOA's main mission, it was a perfect fit for HYPACK, SEAPROD, the Chapter Chair, and the Society Chair to work together to find a way to provide this important training tool to the Mexican Navy, which had run a program for several years that accepts students from different countries of the Meso America and Caribbean Regions.

This is particularly relevant because in this region there is an important need for hydrographers, and at the same time there are no universities that provide this kind of education. That was the reason why the Mexican Navy decided to open FOCAHIMECA program. Over several years they have graduated multiple students that are now key members of the National Hydrographic Offices in their own countries.

We congratulate the Mexican Navy for this important achievement. THSOA and the Latin American Chapter knew about it and want to stimulate this type of effort for the positive impact that it is having in the region.