Drilling the Dual active faults system in Haiti.

The Haiti-DRILL Magellan Plus workshop dedicated to the project was held in Rueil-Malmaison (France) on October 26-28 2016, and hosted by IFPEN.

The workshop gathered 36 experts from various countries of the Caribbean region, the Americas and Europe. The program, supported by the ECORD/ICDP Magellan Plus Workshop Series was aimed at setting out a proposal dedicated to drill and document the left-lateral dual N. Caribbean transform boundary in Haiti. The objectives of IODP and ICDP's scientific issues, as well as regional constraints and needs in Haiti were presented extensively in order to frame the discussions. Because the active setting of the faults presents a remarkable offshore-onshore continuity, one of the objectives was to agree on the relevance of an ADP proposal with a proper definition of the objectives, sites locations, sites surveys and scientific interactions. Scientific and technical presentations were performed, aiming at precising the regional/local geological and structural controls, and a synthesis of fluids sampling, for the best refining of the target locations.

If seismic studies are numerous offshore, they are difficult to operate onland, due to high reliefs and impossibility to use dynamite in Haiti. Propositions were then raised to use adequate techniques such as Weight Drop tool to obtain better 3D images of the active fault across the selected sites and the Azuei Lake. The best technical way to conduct seismic survey in Haiti was largely discussed and it was recommended to link with projects dedicated to the surface fault trace characterization. One of the main objective of the project being to compare regular surface observations (description, fluid sampling, seismicity indicators and measurements) and their variations at depth in a specific segment close to Port-Au-Prince, it was strongly suggest to refine the monitoring attempts and the tools proposed to be used in the well cross-cutting the EPG Fault.

The Haiti-Drill participants (two different sessions)





The necessity to combine the ICDP and the IODP Haiti-DRILL projects was then encouraged. Questions were raised concerning the way to match reviews of the two panels, and a full agreement was acquired on the location of the on IODP and ICDP sites (with one alternate site in the ICDP project). Therefore, it was decided to complement the project by submitting proposals, 1) including ROV and coring in addition to the program already planned in December 2015, for offshore targets and 2) a combination with coordinated lake-to-land geological, coring and new seismic surveys, with those already on their way.





Working session on the last day.

The best integration of scientific objectives onshore and offshore together with the selection of the drilling platform and tools was debated.

Finally a solid scheme of leading team and task forces was discussed.

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The Haiti-Drill Workshop took place from 9h on the 26th of October to 16 H on the 28th of October, at Rueil-Malmaison in suburb Paris (France). Thirty six participants joined the workshop. Three others had to cancel due to flight connection problems or teaching commitments. Students are mentioned in blue.

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