## Submarine Damage Control System Spanish Navy Experience

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# Spanish Navy Submarine Base



## Submarines that I have served on









Submarine Damage Control System Spanish Navy Experience AGENDA

- Spanish Navy submarine history & platform control systems evolution
- S-80 Submarine Platform Control System =

Integrated Platform Management System (IPMS) + Non-Integrated Control System

- Use of "Kill-Cards" in IPMS to improve Damage Control System capabilities
- Submarine damage control training, computer-based & mock-up simulators
- Conclusions and recommendations for future platform control systems

## It all started with Isaac Peral



Submerged displacement 85 t Crew 12 It was the world's first successful full electric battery-powered submarine, designed and built in Spain by Lieutenant Isaac Peral in 1888.



## Spanish Navy Submarine History









### S-60 Daphne Class



S60 Class (Daphne-type) Designed in France and built in Spain in 1973 Submerged displacement 1043 t Crew 56





S-70 Agosta Class

S70 Class (Agosta-type) Designed in France and built in Spain in 1983 Submerged displacement 1490 t Crew 60







#### S-80 Isaac Peral Class





S-80 Isaac Peral Class Designed and built in Spain 2023 Submerged displacement 3000 t Crew 40





## **Damage Control Lessons Learnt**

#### **1. DETECTION IS ESSENTIAL.**

- 2. LOCATION WHERE THE INCIDENT IS HAPPENING
- **3. FIRST REACTIONS ARE VITAL TO AVOID THE FIRE-SMOKE SPREAD**
- 4. ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL ISOLATION OF COMPARTMENT
- 5. RELIABLE BREATHING EQUIPMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS ARE VITAL
- 6. TRAINING IS CRITICAL.



## **Platform Control System Requirements Use of Spanish Navy IPMS**

**1st Generation** (Centralized integrated control)











Frigate

**2** Generation (Distributed integrated control)



Oceanographic

LPD

Hydrographic

**Aircraft Carrier** 

**Patrol Vessel** 



AOR

Minehunter

Corvette



Lloyd's Register

SOFTWARE ASSESSMENT

**3rd Generation** (Information System)



Patrol Vessel



Frigate



**Submarine** 





Frigate



**Submarine Rescue** 



#### **Hydrographic**







### **Platform Control System Requirements**



- REDUNDANT AND STRONG ARCHITECTURE IN ALL SYSTEMS
- SPECIAL DESIGN IN FIRE RISK COMPARTMENTS (Batteries, Diesel, AIP, Galley)
- DIFFERENT CONTROL MODES: REMOTE (IPMS) AND LOCAL
- NON-INTEGRATED PANELS TO EMERGENCY REACTIONS
- REDUCED NUMBER OF CREWMEMBERS

#### Platform Control System Architecture





**Diving Safety Reserve Panel** 

**Diving Safety** Console

**Propulsion and Battery Reserve** Panel

Platform Control System = IPMS (Integrated Consoles) + Non-Integrated (Panels)

FIXED INSTALLATION OF SPRAYED WATER TO DIESEL AND AIP COMPARTMENT.

- FIXED INSTALLATION OF CO2 TO BATTERIES, MAIN SWITCHBOARDS AND GALLEY WITH BACKUP BOTTLE.
- REDUNDANCY DETECTION IN ALL COMPARTMENTS.
- FROM **NON-INTEGRATED PANELS** STOP VENTILATON, **IS**OLATION AND TRIGGER FIXED INSTALLATIONS.
- CLOSED CIRCUIT OF TELEVISION (CCTV).











#### **1. ACTIVATION OF FIRE DETECTOR.**

**2. ALARM IN FIRE CENTRAL PANEL.** 

**3. ALARM IN IPMS AND NON-INTEGRATED PANELS, CCTV SHOW IMAGE OF COMPARTMENT AND APPEARS KILL-CARD.** 



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## Advantages of Kill Cards

- ✓ Reduced human error
- ✓ Reduced incident response time
- ✓ Increased reliability
- ✓ Increased robustness



## **Training Process**

- Basic Navy training
- Submarine theoretical training phase
  - General submarine knowledge
  - Specific training in accordance with role
- Submarine simulators
  - Computer Based Training (CBT) for platform control system console operators
  - SIMulator of the PLAtform (SIMPLA) with movement for complete duty watch
- Onboard training for all submarine crew members

## Antonio de Escaño Training School



## -80 NAVANTIS (Training Integrated System)

#### NAVANTIS AIT

(Virtual Reality Avatar Immersion Tool)

**NAVANTIS NMTC** (Maintenance Training Content) NAVANTIS PLATFORM

(IPMS, SNIC, Local Control Panels)

- Fully integrated training modules
- Individual training
- Collective training
- Scenarios using submarine 3D model and real equipment and systems data



## S-80 Computer Based Trainer (CBT)



## S-80 Simulator Platform (SIMPLA)



## **Onboard Training Drills**



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Conclusions

 $\checkmark Reduced detection time$ 

✓ Reduced incident response time

✓ Reduced individual and collective/duty watch training times

✓ More complete training

✓ Better use of time on board for training

✓ Higher quality training and analysis by instructors



### **Future Damage Control Systems**

Include IR cameras in CCTV

IPMS on wireless hand-held devices, easy access to information

An exclusive console for Damage Control

? Integrate artificial intelligence into IPMS







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