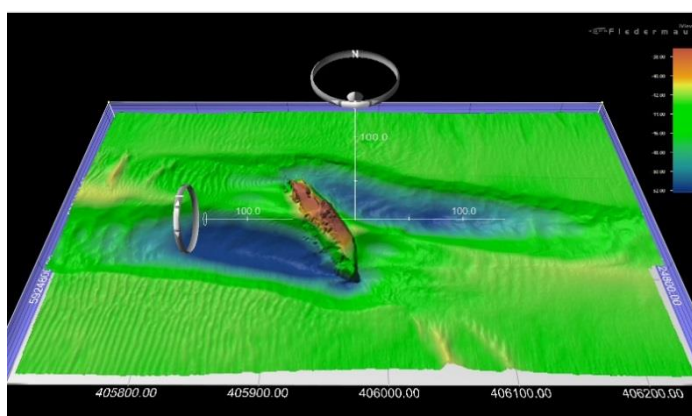


# Commemorating the Forgotten U-boat War around the Welsh Coast 1914-18: Exploration, Access and Outreach

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This presentation will focus on the aims of a project currently under development by the Royal Commission in partnership with Bangor University and the [Nautical Archaeology Society](#), and funded through the Heritage Lottery Fund.

Using state-of-the-art technology on a range of survey platforms, including Bangor University's 35m research vessel Prince Madog, the project will produce high resolution 3D models and imagery of a number of Great War wrecks located in Welsh waters.



The outputs from this work will be incorporated into an educational programme designed to provide opportunities for people of all ages and backgrounds to reconnect with this important part of the Great War story.

Schools and community groups will help create panels for a mobile exhibition as well as content for [People's Collection Wales](#), the project's own website and a popular publication. The activities will also provide IT training opportunities and work place experience for young graduates.

Many of the vessels associated with this period are on the verge of structural collapse due to underwater corrosion. This project may represent a final opportunity to record these vessels in their nearly 'intact' state to create a baseline monitoring dataset. The rich ecosystems which have developed on and around the wrecks are another of the project's key research objectives. Marine species identification taken forward through crowd-sourcing is being explored.