



The International Iberian Nanotechnology Laboratory is one of the main international research centres dedicated to nanoscience.

The Laboratory is an intergovernmental organization founded in 2005 upon a joint agreement between Portugal and Spain. Today, it houses a multicultural community of more than 400 researchers from 30 nationalities with various scientific backgrounds.

Established in 2005, the International Iberian Nanotechnology Laboratory (INL) is a collaborative research and technology organisation founded by the governments of Spain and Portugal.

Headquartered in Braga, northern Portugal, INL operates within an international legal framework to conduct interdisciplinary research and implement nanotechnologies for the benefit of society.

INL focuses on strategic research areas that deepen our understanding of fundamental phenomena, serving as the basis for the development of innovative technologies. By progressing through the innovation pipeline, these technologies aim to address current global challenges, aligning with the priorities outlined in the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

Key areas include clean water, clean energy, zero hunger, good health, and overall well-being.

INL's mission is two-fold: to carry out excellent research in nanotechnology, and to engage with society by means of technology transfer and public outreach.

This twin approach guides the organisation to navigate the unknown universe of science, and to identify new research areas at the intersection of established knowledge fields.

The overarching objective is to advance research anchored in nanotechnology towards new science and novel methodologies, and to devise nanotechnology-based solutions, in the physical and human environments, mediated by cutting-edge research in information and communication technologies.

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