

More Time to Submit Abstracts for OI London



In response to requests for extra time from vacationers around the world who were returning to their desks, the organisers of Oceanology International 2016 have extended the deadline for the submission of conference abstracts until Friday 16 October 2015. Chairs have already been announced for the vast majority of the conference streams at Oceanology International, the global forum for marine technology and ocean science to be held in the UK from 15-17 March 2016.

Technologists seeking to describe a new development, scientists or engineers wishing to share a new application or users of ocean data wanting to share experiences of their specific needs, the Oceanology International conference provides them with an opportunity. The [details of the OI 2016 Call for Abstracts](#) are available online.

Session Chairs

The organisers continued during the holiday time and the programme now is further completed with session chairs. The following professionals will lead sessions.

Unmanned Vehicles and Vessels Showcase

- Dr Bob Allwood, Chief Executive, Society for Underwater Technology (SUT)
- Ian Gallett, Business Development Executive, Society for Underwater Technology (SUT)

Ocean Observing Systems

- Zdenka Willis, Director, U.S. Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS®) Program
- Justin Manley, VP of Business Development, Juliet Marine Systems

Positioning & Metrology

- Johnathan Davis, Manager Geophysical Operations, Survey & Geohazards, BP America
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Marine Renewables

- Nick Murphy, Project Director, SeaRoc

Hydrography, Geophysics and Geotechnics

- Andy Hill, Marine Geohazard Technical Authority, BP Exploration

Aquaculture

- Professor Peter Davies of the Dept of Civil Engineering, University of Dundee, who has established a committee comprising:
 - o Richard Slaski, Secretariat, Scottish Aquaculture Research Forum (SARF)
 - o Alex Adrian, Aquaculture Officer, The Crown Estate
 - o Dr Kenneth Black, Scottish Association for Marine Science (SAMS)
 - o Dr Mark James, Marine Alliance for Science and Technology in Scotland

Oil & Gas: What's next for ageing offshore assets?

- Chairman tbc

Monitoring Structural Integrity: Understanding Risk and Reliability

- Tom Johnson, President, BMT Scientific Marine Services

Handling Big Data

- Chairman tbc

Green Shipping

- Dr Bev MacKenzie, Technical and Policy Director, IMarEST

Near and Far Markets does not, by its very nature, require chairing

Exhibition Update

Individual exhibitors in the largest ever Oceanology International exhibition come from Australia, Belgium, Canada, China, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Malta, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Singapore, Slovakia, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, Turkey, the UAE, United Kingdom and USA. Of these Canada, France, Germany, Ireland, the Netherlands and the USA have also all confirmed country pavilions.

Vessels and dock side demonstrations of equipment will once again be a popular feature. In 2014 vessel movements proved a record-breaker with 148 movements during the three days with 1198 people aboard and a record number of 13 visiting vessels. As at all Oceanology International events, networking will play an important role.

Further information on all aspects of [Oceanology International](http://www.oceanologyinternational.com) is available online.

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