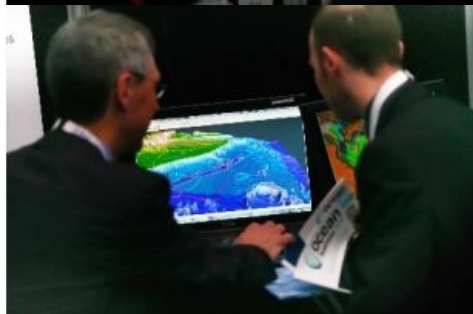


Leading Industry Events during Ocean Business 2013



Ocean Business 2013, taking place from 9 to 11 April 2013 at the National Oceanography Centre in Southampton, UK, will be hosting some of the biggest industry events of the year. The International Federation of Surveyors (FIG) and International Hydrographic Organization (IHO) will jointly run a high-profile workshop aimed at setting a forward-looking strategy for the “Blue Economy”™. Focusing on technological developments, the Challenger Society will be organising a workshop about the latest developments in microfluidics and sensor technology.

This year's show has been selected as the venue for important enterprising events which present commercial and partnership opportunities to organisations. For the first time, the [National Oceanography Centre](#) will be holding a day event dedicated to the commercial exploitation of research. Similarly, the [Natural Environment Research Council \(NERC\)](#) will be showcasing its technology solutions, with the aim of developing commercial partnerships for products. In support of Canada's thriving ocean technology industry, the [Canadian High Commission](#) will be hosting sessions about business and R&D opportunities for international companies in Canada. The [IMarEST](#) will host a networking reception to discuss the results and receive feedback on a global consultation on Marine Science Skills and Continuing Professional Development, which was carried out in 2012 and the Society of Maritime Industries and the [Hydrographic Society](#) are also arranging events to dovetail with the show.

Sell-out Business Expo

At the hub of Ocean Business is an exhibition of over 300 companies, bringing the latest global technologies all under one roof. The show will welcome over 4,000 visitors from more than 50 countries around the world. Over the years it has become synonymous with good business and a focal point for the industry. Ocean

Business 2013 is a sell-out show and there is a growing waiting list for stand space.

Social Events

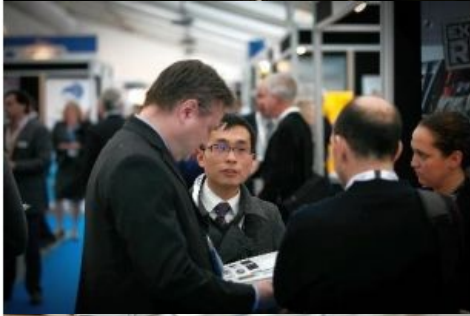
As well as the events, there will be the renowned [social activities planned by Ocean Business](#). These are always brimming with visitors,



providing a fantastic opportunity for networking, and include a drinks reception on Monday 8 April 2013, a sponsored wine trail on the opening evening of the show, Tuesday 9 April and a gala dinner on Wednesday 10 April. Ocean Business will also be the place for more social gatherings such as [Racal Survey's special reunion](#) for old employees and friends.

See, feel, experience

Ocean Business is a hands-on learning show and it certainly excels at this with an action-packed programme of free training and demonstrations. Running over 180 hours, sessions include demonstrations on vessels or at the dockside, in test tanks or in seminar rooms. The facilities are first class and visitors can actually test out equipment before purchasing or learn about the latest technologies and techniques. A full programme is available at the [Ocean Business website](#) and sessions can be booked on arrival at the show.



Conference Offshore Survey

Running alongside Ocean Business is [Offshore Survey](#), which is a lively two-day conference focusing on the latest technologies and business issues facing the offshore industry. 'Offshore' is an ever broadening field and the conference will appeal to those interested in offshore surveying, subsea positioning, data processing and visualisation, as well as general business and industry issues.

Ocean Careers

[Ocean Careers](#) will be running over the three days to provide recruitment and careers advice. If you are newly qualified or currently seeking work, Ocean Careers can offer direction and inspiration for a career path in this sector.

For no-cost registration at this year's Ocean Business and a full breakdown of activities, please visit: www.oceanbusiness.com



