

The Blue Economy Conference

Tuesday 9th April 2013

0900	Registration and coffee		
0930		Gordon Johnston Director Venture Geomatics Limited Vice-Chair FIG Commission 4	Welcome
0935		Michael Jones President The Maritime Alliance	Promoting the Blue Economy: The role of maritime technology clusters As an investor and stakeholder in the maritime industry, the Maritime Alliance will emphasise the need for strategic investment, joined up initiatives and the potential of data to support the 'Blue Economy'.
1005		Robert Ward President International Hydrographic Organization	Calling all stakeholders - the IHO needs you! The President of the IHO will outline the current initiatives of the IHO and their regional programme for capacity building. The presentation will highlight how industry can contribute and benefit through collaboration.
1030		Stephen Bennett, Programme Manager IALA World Wide Academy at International Association of Marine AtoN and Lighthouse Authorities (IALA)	Delivering as One - Joint capacity building initiatives to improve the safety of navigation world-wide
1045	Coffee break		
1120		Pamela Tansey, Director Technical Cooperation Programme International Maritime Organization	Title TBC Will address their hydrographic capacity needs in relation to trade, data access, technology and the opportunities these represent (TBC)
1150		Rear Admiral Tom Karsten The National Hydrographer United Kingdom Hydrographic Office	The Blue Economy: a perspective from a hydrographic office The UKHO Hydrographer will present on digital data products and opportunities and challenges for the future.
1220		Fergal McGrath, Survey Team Leader Advanced Mapping Services INFOMAR	Value from seabed mapping Experience of the Irish Seabed Survey and the benefits and lessons learnt.
1245	Lunch break and time to visit exhibition		
1345		Geraint West Head National Marine Facilities Sea Systems National Oceanography Centre	Towards collaborative marine scientific research and industry relationships - transforming ocean observation for the next decade together The NOC will present their latest investment and development plans and relate these to the strategic framework and initiatives of the UK and EU governments. Will particularly focus on opportunities for collaboration with industry for technologies and operations.
1410		Palle Juul Jensen Chair Geomatics Division, International Association of Oil & Gas Producers	Title TBC OGP represent the oil and gas community who, as a key stakeholder, develop guidance and have key objectives that influence the marine sector including data delivery products. They will also outline other potential future activities and initiatives.
1435		Nick Lambert Consultant	The Satellite Applications Catapult and its interest in remote sensing and applications for the maritime sector News of a technology initiative for remote sensing to develop and support industry sectors.
1450	Tea break		
1520		Chris Charman Chief Executive International Marine Contractors Association	Managing risk together - IMCA's role Will address issues faced by the offshore sector and the ways in which IMCA plans to help the collective management of risk in the industry.
1550		Dr. Michael Sutherland Chairman International Federation of Surveyors (FIG) Commission 4	FIG Commission 4 and hydro-supported development FIG Commission 4 chair Dr Michael Sutherland will outline the current objectives of FIG in relation to marine spatial data, capacity development, standards and future initiatives in cooperation with the UN, EU, IHO etc.
1610		Elena Hauerhof, PhD Candidate Marine Engineering, City University London	Deepsea energy for autonomous seabed mapping
1630		Dr Richard Thain, Director The Hydrographic Academy	The Hydrographic Academy: Supporting the demands of the Blue Economy
1650	Concluding remarks		
1700	Time to visit the exhibition and participate in the Ocean Business Wine Trail (from 5pm until 7pm)		