



News Release

OCEAN INDUSTRY CEO'S CONVENE TO ADVANCE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AT SOS 2016

“Ocean Executive Forum” will Assemble a High-level, Multi-industry Leadership Dialogue at World Ocean Council’s Sustainable Ocean Summit (SOS)

9 November 2016

The WOC *Ocean Executive Forum* brings together a unique, cross-sectoral panel of CEOs at the 2016 Sustainable Ocean Summit (SOS) to engage in a high-level plenary discussion on the theme of “Ocean 2030: Sustainable Development and the Ocean Business Community”.

The SOS 2016 *Ocean Executive Forum* panel will include:

- Per Grieg, Board Chair, Grieg Seafoods (*Aquaculture*)
- Allard Castelein, CEO, Port of Rotterdam Authority (*Ports*)
- Paul de la Guérivière, CEO, IDEOL (*Offshore Wind Energy*)
- Bill Staby, CEO, Resolute Marine Energy (*Ocean Energy*)
- Raynald Leconte, CEO, Orange Marine (*Submarine Cable*)
- Ivar Fossum, CEO, Nordic Mining (*Seabed Mining*)
- Alain Bernhard, CEO, DEME (*Dredging*)
- Graham Hine, Co-Founder, Liquid Robotics (*Ocean Data/Technology*)
- Jan Valkier, Owner and CEO, Anthony Veder (*Shipping*)

This extraordinary high-level, multi-industry panel will consider the challenges and opportunities for the private sector to respond to the growing need to responsibly supply energy, food, transport and information from the sea. Additional CEOs from oil and gas, fisheries and shipbuilding may also be joining the panel as their availability is confirmed.

Participation opportunities at SOS 2016, Rotterdam, 30 Nov-2 Dec, are filling fast.

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Sustainable Ocean Summit (SOS) 2016, 30 Nov-2 Dec, Rotterdam

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8-9 November

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16-17 November

PORTO: **Forum do Mar - Business2Sea Conference** (Plenary Speaker)

28-29 November

LONDON: **Offshore & Deep Sea Mining Conference** (Plenary Speaker)

About the World Ocean Council (WOC)

The WOC is the only international, cross-sectoral alliance for private sector leadership and collaboration in sustainability, stewardship and science. Companies from a range of industries worldwide are distinguishing themselves as leaders in “Corporate Ocean Responsibility”, including: shipping, oil and gas, tourism, fisheries, aquaculture, mining, renewable energy, ocean technology, investment. WOC Members are listed [here](#), a part of the WOC Network of 35,000+ ocean industry stakeholders around the world. The WOC is a registered not-for-profit organization in the US and the UK/Europe.

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