



News Release

## **WOC LEADS CEO PANEL AT UPCOMING GLOBAL SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION CONFERENCE**

**World Ocean Council’s “Ocean CEO Panel” to Focus on Business and Investment Opportunities in Ocean Science, Technology and Innovation for Sustainable Development**

28 August 2017

The World Ocean Council (WOC) invites the Ocean Business Community to the inaugural [Global Science, Technology and Innovation Conference \(G-STIC\)](#), an innovative event series designed to foster change, strengthen implementation and revitalize global partnerships for sustainable development.

**G-STIC 2017 aims to gather over 2000 science, technology and innovation leaders in Brussels (23-25 October, 2017) to focus on private sector implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).**

Integrated technological solutions can have a large impact on achieving the SDGs and climate change goals, and contribute to systemic change. G-STIC approaches technological innovation from a user perspective, taking into consideration the regulatory environment needed for integrated solutions.

**The plenary [Ocean CEO Panel](#) (24 October, 2017) will feature preeminent maritime industry leaders** and will be moderated by WOC CEO Paul Holthus.

The “Ocean CEO Panel” will address:

- The science, technology and innovation relevant to ocean sustainable development
- The challenge of developing collaboration among science, technology and innovation communities
- How to translate technology research into implementable ocean business opportunities
- The means to foster and facilitate interaction within and among ocean industry sectors
- Emerging technological innovations relevant to sustainable use of the ocean

Participants can benefit from the reduced hotel rates by registering before 8 September 2017 at: <https://www.gstic.org/tickets> .

Find more information about the Conference and the Ocean CEO Panel [here](#).

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## SAVE THE DATE

**Sustainable Ocean Summit (SOS) 2017: 29 Nov-01 Dec, Halifax, Canada**

**SOS 2017 Theme: “The Ocean Sustainable Development Goal (SDG 14):  
Business Leadership and Business Opportunities”**

Mark your calendars for this unique gathering of the global ocean business community.

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### Recent and Upcoming WOC Outreach and Engagement

22-23 August, SUVA, FIJI

**1st High Level Pacific Blue Economy Conference** (Opening Plenary Speaker; Financing the Blue Economy Panelist)

12-13 September, LOS ANGELES

**Green Shipping Summit, 2017** (Opening Plenary Speaker)

19 September, MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA

**Ocean and Coastal Research Management Lecture Series, Center for the Blue Economy** (Speaker)

21-22 September, ORLANDO

**EnergyWaterFoodNexus International Summit** (Plenary Speaker)

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#### 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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