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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

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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](#).

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.

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)

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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