



The International Business Alliance  
for Corporate Ocean Responsibility

News Release

## LEADING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATIONS, INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND MEDIA SUPPORT WOC'S 6th SUSTAINABLE OCEAN SUMMIT

**The World Ocean Council (WOC) 2018 Sustainable Ocean Summit is Endorsed by a Growing List of Leading Business Groups, International Organizations and Media Partners**

14 August 2018

**More than 25 Endorsers and Media Partners have already signed on as supporters of this year's WOC Sustainable Ocean Summit (SOS), Hong Kong, 14-16 November, 2018 - the global platform for leadership companies and organizations to advance private sector solutions to ocean sustainable development challenges.**

With the theme "Ocean Sustainable Development - Connecting Asia and the World", SOS 2018 covers all the facets of ocean sustainable development in a fast-growing region which has a major influence on the future of the ocean. For the SOS 2018 draft program and other information, [click here](#).

SOS 2018 Endorsers include: the [International Chamber of Shipping](#), Women in Shipping and Trade ([WISTA](#)) [International](#), [Offshore Renewables Joint Industry Programme \(ORJIP\)](#), the [Chamber of Shipping of America](#), the [French Maritime Cluster](#), the [Sustainable Shipping Initiative](#), [Clear Seas Canada](#), [Oceans Advance](#), [IMarEST](#), [IFFO](#), [Green Marine](#) and [Asia Maritime Pacific](#). These industry groups are joined by international organizations, such as the [Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO \(IOC-UNESCO\)](#) and [World Maritime University](#).

The SOS 2018 Media Partners bring their support through outreach and communication: [the Nautical Institute](#), [InDepth Oil & Gas](#), [InDepth Wind](#), [InDepth Maritime](#), [International Cruise & Ferry Review](#), [WorldOils](#), the [Journal of Ocean Technology](#), [Actualidad Maritima y Portuaria](#), [GeoConnexion Magazine](#), [Hong Kong Maritime Hub](#), [International Aquafeed](#), [Safety4sea](#), [Sea Technology magazine](#), [Ecozine](#) and [Global Maritime Hub](#).

The SOS is uniquely designed to bring together leadership companies from the diverse Ocean Business Community: shipping, oil and gas, fisheries, aquaculture, seabed mining, tourism, renewable energy, ports, dredging, mining, submarine cables, marine science, engineering and

technology, and others – as well as ocean stakeholders from the government, inter-governmental, academic and environment communities.

Contact [summit@oceancouncil.org](mailto:summit@oceancouncil.org) to become an SOS 2018 Endorsers or Media Partners and create opportunities for collaboration and outreach for responsible ocean economic development!

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## **SOS 2018: EARLY REGISTRATION AVAILABLE UNTIL 15 Sept '18**

**Sustainable Ocean Summit (SOS) 2018: 14-16 Nov, Hong Kong**

**SOS 2018 Theme: *“Ocean Sustainable Development - Connecting Asia and the World”***

Don't miss this unique gathering of the global ocean business community.

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## Recent and Upcoming WOC Outreach and Engagement

26-31 August, STOCKHOLM

**World Water Week** - "Source to Sea Solutions: Business leadership in protecting the marine environment from land-based pollution" (Invited Co-Organizer)

3-4 September, DAKAR

**GEF-IW/UNDP/IOC-UNESCO Africa Regional Network Meeting** - "Business Roundtable" - Global Environment Facility (GEF)-International Waters (IW), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), UNESCO Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC-UNESCO) (Invited Organizer)

4-17 September, NEW YORK

**U.N. Law of the Sea, BBNJ Treaty** - 1<sup>st</sup> Negotiation Session on international, legally binding instrument under the U.N. Convention on the Law of the Sea re the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction (BBNJ) (Industry Representative)

12-14 September, SAN FRANCISCO

**Global Climate Action Summit** (Invited Organizer of "Private Sector Leadership in Climate Proof Ports for Small Island Developing States", Official Affiliate Event)

1-2 October, PANAMA CITY

**GEF-IW/UNDP/IOC-UNESCO Latin America-Caribbean Regional Network Meeting** - "Business Roundtable" (Invited Organizer)

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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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