



Agenda for 15th Marine Renewables Emerging Technologies Industry Forum, 2024

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Venue: The Alex Hotel, Cumberland Street, off Merrion Square, Dublin 2
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Date: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16th, 2024

Time: 09.00 sharp; ends at 1.30 (includes light lunch)

RSVP: chairman@ie , if you have not already done so.

09.00: Opening of Forum

Chair: PETER COYLE, Chairman, MRIA

OPENING REMARKS:

Robert Costello (Partner - Capital projects and Infrastructure), PwC

Rick Officer, CEO Marine Institute

Mark Mellett, Chair of MARA

VIP

Presentation of MRIA Prize for Best MaREI Project of the Year, 2023

Session 1: 'Technology Highlights'

Chair: DANIELLE CONAGHAN, Partner, Arthur Cox Solicitors

Sea Current JULIA BELL

Nova SIMON FORREST

ORPC BRENDAN CAHILL

Saoirse Ireland's first offshore wave farm CIARAN McMANUS-ESB; SUE BARR-SIMPLY BLUE GROUP; PATRIK MOLLER- CORPOWER OCEAN

Ireland's Ocean Data expertise ANDREA PHILLIPS/MICHAEL LEWIS -XOCEAN; CHARLOTTE O'KELLY-TECHWORKS MARINE; KIERAN IVERS-GREEN REBEL

Ireland's first wave machines TONY LEWIS, OCEAN ENERGY

10.30–11.00 Coffee

Session 2: 'Policy Progress'

Chair: KAREN O'REILLY, Head of Policy-Ireland, SSE

Offshore Renewables - the future ROB MCGUINNESS, Dept of Environment, Climate and Communications

Developments in Europe REMI GRUET, OCEAN ENERGY EUROPE

ORE technology roadmap for Ireland KERRIE SHEEHAN, SUSTAINABLE ENERGY AUTHORITY OF IRELAND

IEA's Ocean Energy System Study HENRY JEFFREY, UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH

ORE Industrial Policy HELEN QUILTY, DEPT OF ENTERPRISE, TRADE AND EMPLOYMENT

Future of Irish Marine Planning PHILLIP NUGENT, DEPT OF ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE AND COMMUNICATIONS

Session 3: '5 Minute Snapshots'

Chair: YVONNE SHIELDS O'CONNOR, CEO Commissioners of Irish Lights

- *Experience of legals around offshore contracts* JAMIE RITCHIE, LK SHIELDS SOLICITORS
- *Tidal turbines and marine life* NICHOLAS BAKER HORNE, QUEENS UNIVERSITY BELFAST
- *Financial Aspects to ORE technology developments* PWC
- *Marine Spatial Planning* LINDA McELDUFF, QUEENS UNIVERSITY BELFAST
- *Practical experiences with emerging ORE technologies* MAIREAD ELLIOTT, BLUEWISE MARINE
- *Update and plans for MaREI* JIMMY MURPHY, UNIVERSITY COLLEGE CORK
- *Data Collection Project* FERGAL O'ROURKE, DUNDALK INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
- *The SmartBay Observatory* ALAN BERRY, MARINE INSTITUTE
- *Opportunities under PeacePlus* NEIL HARRISON, THE BRYDEN CENTRE
- *Environmental issues* YVONNE CRONIN, ERM
- *Skills and ORE* PAUL HEGARTY, NATIONAL MARITIME COLLEGE OF IRELAND
- *UAVES- Unmanned Aerial Vehicles for Environmental Surveys Project* INÉS COCA, U-AVES CONSORTIUM

Closing remarks

13.30-14.15: Light lunch

RSVP to chairman@mria.ie