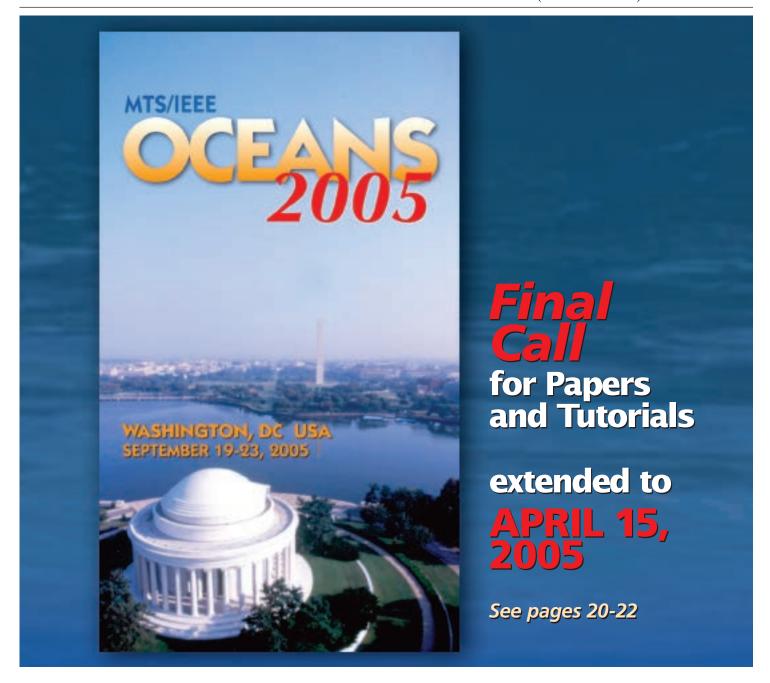


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The President's Corner



There has been a lot of activity in the past few months that impacts our society in various manners. For example, I have been active with a group of societies from TAB in the development of a systems engineering council. We have presented our field of interest to TAB where it was accepted and are in the process of developing a constitution and bylaws. Please

forward any pertinent inputs to me so that they can be considered for inclusion

In early January a meeting of representatives of OES was held with the director of the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History to discuss our possible involvement in their Ocean Science Initiative. We were well received and our participation was welcomed. The object of the project is to increase the understanding of available ocean resources and the overall impact that the oceans have on everyday life. The initiative has three thrust areas—Ocean Hall, Ocean Web Portal, and Center for Ocean Science—designed to support the education of the public relative to oceanic activities, assist in ocean research and expand the scholarly pursuit of ocean science. A detailed explanation of the project can be found on the web. (Ocean Science Initiative) The society encourages anyone with an interest in helping with the development of our input to contact Tom Wiener as he is our point of contact with the museum.

Bob Bannon and I attended a homeland security conference in Moscow, Russia in early February at the request of Congressman Curt Weldon. We were part of an American delegation that included several technology oriented firms that are developing systems for maritime security e.g. a sensor to be embedded in cargo containers that can track the container and identify any untoward event associated with it during its travels. There were several devices that the American delegation presented that would be appropriate for our December meeting. As an aside two days before we arrived Moscow had the worst one day snowfall in its history. There was snow on the runway when we landed.

During the week of 14 February a meeting relative to the GEOSS was held in Brussels. The IEEE representatives included Rene Garello from OES along with three other IEEE members (one being Mike Lightner the president elect). The society is in on the ground floor along with GRSS to provide technological services to the worldwide committee that is overseeing the design and development of this ambitious project. The details of the GEOSS can be found on their web site. Anyone interested in assisting in this global effort contact Rene Garello, Tom Wiener or Stan Chamberlain

In early March Joe Vadus and I attended the NOAA stakeholders meeting in Washington DC. There were approximately 200 attendees and NOAA solicited from the group via breakout group's areas where they could better satisfy the consumers of their products

We have been in discussions with ASNE and FURE relative to assuming joint control over the International Submarine Races. The submarines are human powered. They are designed and built mainly by college and high school students. The event will be held this year at the David Taylor Model Basin the week of 28 June. Anyone wishing to help or attend should contact Claude Brancart c.brancart@ieee.org— as the Navy base requires prior notification for entry.

Jim Collins and his group are in the process of updating the society constitution and bylaws. The purpose of this effort was to make the documents more reflective of the present day organization as well as incorporating changes brought about by technological advances as the constitution had not been revised in many years. In the late summer the membership will be asked to vote on the revised documents. Please take the time to record your vote. Remember you will only get benefit from your membership in proportion to your input to the society. One significant change will be the addition of a new vice president as the single vice president handling conferences will be divided into one promoting venues and one handling the operation of all conferences as we have instituted two major conferences each year. This essentially means that there are six conferences at different stages in any one year. This is an area that could use the addition of many volunteers to spread out the work load. Anyone interested in assisting in this effort should contact Rene Garello our chair for the Joint Oceans Advisory Board. He can be reached at rene.garello@enst-bretagne.fr.

We have joined with several IEEE societies, IMarEST and ASNE to hold a symposium with the electric ship as its focus. The meeting is to be held 25-27 July 2005 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania at the Renaissance Hotel a venue that is close to the airport. The particulars are on the meeting web site ests05.org.

A reminder that OCEANS 05 Europe is rapidly approaching and for all that are to attend it is not too early to make your hotel and plane reservations.

It is timely to submit your abstracts to OCEANS 05 MTS/IEEE. The venue is a popular site for many events and it would be prudent to make your reservations early.

I would encourage all that are eligible to become Senior Members. The whole process can be done on the IEEE web site. There are many senior members in the society that will be glad to serve as your references. If you have any questions about the process contact Ken Ferer—kferer@earthlink.net.

Jim Barbera IEEE/OES President

Vice President's Message OES Drafts New Governing Documents

Jim Collins, Vice-President for Professional Activities



OES Administrative Committee (Adcom) members are acting on a need for new governing documents for the Society. These documents include a revised Constitution, revised Bylaws and a new Policy and Procedure Manual. At its meeting in Houston in May 2004, then President Tom Wiener focused the attention of Adcom on the task and an adhoc subcommittee of ten members was formed to start work on the new doc-

uments. An interim draft of the revised Constitution is included with this article for your information and comment. A final draft will be sent to OES members for approval later this year.

The first OES Constitution and Bylaws were adopted on January 1st, 1983 when the IEEE Council on Ocean Engineering became the IEEE Oceanic Engineering Society. A major change occured in 1993 when the number and responsibilities of the Vice-Presidents changed from two Vice-Presidents, VP East and VP West to three Vice-Presidents, VP Technical Activities, VP Professional Activities and VP International.

The OES Constitution and Bylaws were relatively unchanged from 1993 until in 2004 the Adcom broadened the OES Field of Interest statement given in the Constitution. In addition to the Field of Interest change there have been changes

of importance to the OES not reflected in the governing documents. The Society has initiated new perodic conference events in the recent years that have created the need for better conference representation on Adcom at the Vice-Presidental level. The internet has created new publicity opportunities resulting in a website and an e-newsletter. Voting responsibilities on Adcom needed to be simplified and focused more on the elected members and Officers of Adcom. In order to better define responsibilities and operational details of the OES, a Policy and Procedures Manual is required to augment the Constirution and Bylaws. Another major change sees the most critical and fundamental governance matters placed in the Constitution where they may be amended only by a vote of the OES membership. Less critical governance matters are being placed in the Bylaws where they may be amended more easily by a vote of the OES Adcom.

The volunteer members of the Constitution and Bylaws Subcommittee have spent may hours on this work. They are Steve Anderson, Stan Chamberlain, Chris deMoustier, Pam Hurst, Norman Miller, Joe Vadus, Tom Wiener, Todd Morrison,

Glen Williams and Jim Collins, Chair. OES Members who have any questions/comments should contact Jim Collins at j.s.collins@ieee.org. The current Constitution and Bylaws may be viewed on the web at www.oceanicengineering.org or www.ieeeoes.org and then selecting "Charter Documents" from the left side column that appears.





Subcommittee meeting December 5/6 ,2004 at Valley Forge before Homeland Security Technology Workshop

IEEE Oceanic Engineering Society Proposed Revised Constitution

1 ARTICLE I Name and Objectives

1.1 Section 1. Name:

This organization shall be known as the IEEE Oceanic Engineering Society, also known as the IEEE OES.

1.2 Section 2. Objectives:

Its objectives shall be scientific, literary, and educational in character. The Society shall strive for the advancement of the theory and practice of electrotechnology applied to all bodies of water, allied branches of engineering, related arts and sciences, and the maintenance of a high professional standard among its members and affiliates.

1.3 Section 3. Purpose:

The Society shall promote close cooperation and exchange of technical information among its members through publications and meetings. The Society shall foster the technical and professional growth of its members.

1.4 Section 4. Consonance with IEEE:

All provisions of the Society's Constitution, Bylaws, and Policies and Procedures documents shall be in consonance with the Constitution, Bylaws, and Policies and Procedures documents of the IEEE.

2 ARTICLE II Field of Interest

2.1 Section 1. Field of Interest:

The Field of Interest of the Society includes all aspects of science, engineering and technology that address research, development, and operations pertaining to all bodies of water. This includes the creation of new capabilities and technologies from concept design through prototypes, testing and operational systems to sense, explore, understand, develop, use and responsibly manage natural resources.

2.2 Section 2. Cooperation with Other Groups:

The Society shall aid in promoting close cooperation and exchange of information with other IEEE Groups and Societies in the form of joint publications and sponsorship of meetings. Appropriate cooperative efforts can also be undertaken with non-IEEE Societies.

2.3 Section 3. Changing Field of Interest Statement:

The Field of Interest of the Society may be moderately revised as needed, with the provision that such revisions shall meet with the approval of the IEEE Technical Activities Board and be published in one of the Society's publications. Any substantial revisions shall be processed as an amendment to this Constitution.

3 ARTICLE III Membership

3.1 Section 1. Eligibility:

IEEE members in any grade having a professional interest in any phase of the Field of Interest of the Society may become members of the Society upon application and payment of dues.

3.2 Section 2. Affiliates:

Any person having a professional interest in any phase of the Field of Interest of the Society and who is not a member of the IEEE may join the Society as an Affiliate upon application and payment of dues.

4 ARTICLE IV Finances

4.1 Section 1. Annual Dues:

The Society shall collect annual dues from its members. Special categories of IEEE membership may have pro-rated dues.

4.2 Section 2. Meeting Registration Fees:

The Society may charge registration fees at its symposia, conferences, conventions, and other meetings. Registration fees for IEEE members and Society Affiliates may be less than the general registration fees.

4.3 Section 3. Additional Sources of Revenue:

The Society may derive income from its publications and raise revenues by other means.

4.4 Section 4. Limitation on Financial Authority:

Neither the Society nor any officer or representative thereof shall have any authority

to contract debts for, pledge the credit of, or in any way bind the IEEE or the Society, except within prior IEEE-approved Society budgets or plans and in accordance with the Bylaws of the Society.

5 ARTICLE V Administration

5.1 Section 1. Administrative Committee Responsibilities:

The Society shall be managed by an Administrative Committee. The Administrative Committee shall set policies for the Society, direct the affairs and activities of the Society, evaluate proposals presented to the Society, elect the Officers of the Society, and establish Standing and Ad Hoc Committees of the Society. The Administrative Committee shall approve or reject appointments made by the President of the Society, such appointments having been made in accordance with the Bylaws of the Society. The Administrative Committee shall authorize meetings, publications, and activities consistent with the Objectives, Purpose, and Field of Interest of the Society. The Administrative Committee shall approve or reject the disbursement of funds, such disbursements having been made in accordance with the Bylaws of the Society and within prior approved Society budgets or plans.

5.2 Section 2. Administrative Committee Membership:

The Administrative Committee shall comprise a number of Members of the Society, of IEEE Member grade or higher, elected by the membership at large (Elected Members), the Officers of the Society, and such Members ex-officio as are specified in the Bylaws. The number of Elected Members shall be as specified in the Bylaws. Nomination, Election, and Appointment Procedures shall be as specified in the Bylaws. All Elected Members of the Administrative Committee and Officers of the Society must be Members of the Society at the time of election or appointment and throughout their terms of office. Society Membership requirements for Members ex-officio shall be as specified in the Bylaws.

5.2.1 Section 2a. Elected Members:

Elected Members must be Members of the Society of IEEE Member grade or higher. Elected members shall serve terms of three years. No more than two terms may be served consecutively. Eligibility is restored after a lapse of one year. Onethird of the Elected Members shall be elected each year.

5.2.2 Section 2b. Administrative Committee Member Responsibilities:

Members of the Administrative Committee shall actively participate in the proceedings of the Committee and the activities of the Society. Elected Members and Officers of the Society may vote on all matters before the Administrative Committee. Members ex-officio may not vote on matters before the Administrative Committee except as specified in the Bylaws of the Society.

5.3 Section 3. Executive Committee:

The Executive Committee shall comprise the Officers of the Society.

5.3.1 Section 3a. Officers Named:

The Officers of the Society shall be the President, the Senior Past President, the Junior Past President, the Vice President for Technical Activities, the Vice President for Professional Activities, the Vice President for Conference Development, the Vice President for Conference Operations, the Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Oceanic Engineering, the Secretary, and the Treasurer.

5.3.2 Section 3b. Qualifications, Terms of Office, and Powers and Duties of Officers:

The Qualifications, Terms of Office, and Powers and Duties of the officers are defined in the Bylaws.

5.3.3 Section 3c. Election of Officers:

Officers shall be elected as provided in the Bylaws at the last regular meeting of the Administrative Committee each calendar year, and shall take office on the following January 1. Only two consecutive full terms in each elected office are permitted, but eligibility is restored after being out of office for one year.

5.4 Section 4. Removal Provision:

A Member of the Administrative Committee who materially violates the Con-

stitution, Bylaws, or Policies and Procedures of the Society or the Constitution, Bylaws, or Code of Ethics of the IEEE, or who engages in other conduct that is seriously prejudicial to the Society or the IEEE, may be removed from his or her position as provided in the Bylaws.

6 ARTICLE VI Chapters

6.1 Section 1. Chapters Authorized and Defined :

A Chapter is a subgroup of Society Members from a Section or Sections of the IEEE focusing on some aspect of the Field of Interest of the Society. A Chapter is formed in accordance with the Bylaws of the Society and of the IEEE. A Chapter may be formed in conjunction with other Societies of the IEEE.

7 ARTICLE VII Meetings

7.1 Section 1. Technical Meetings:

The Society may organize and sponsor or co-sponsor meetings, conferences, symposia, workshops, or conventions either alone or in cooperation with other Societies, Sections, Regions, or Committees of the IEEE or with other professional or technical organizations, subject to the IEEE Conference Guidelines. The Society shall organize and sponsor or cosponsor at least one technical conference each year.

7.2 Section 2. Administrative Meetings:

The Administrative Committee shall hold at least two meetings each calendar year; one of these meetings may be replaced by a meeting of the Executive Committee. Such meetings require at least 30 days notice to all Administrative Committee members.

8 ARTICLE VIII Publications

8.1 Section 1. Publications:

The Society shall publish at least one peer reviewed journal. Other publications may include paper and electronic newsletters or magazines, proceedings, and web sites. Publications of the Society shall conform to IEEE and Society publication policies. The Society shall be responsible for the financial aspects of its publication program.

9 ARTICLE IX Bylaws

9.1 Section 1. Bylaws Authorized:

Bylaws shall be established as hereinafter set forth, for the purposes of governing the operations and administration of the Society.

9.2 Section 2. Amendment Procedure:

Notice of proposed changes to the Bylaws shall be sent to the Elected Members of the Administrative Committee and Officers of the Society at least 30 days before a meeting at which the proposed changes are to be considered. Such changes to the Bylaws require an affirmative vote by at least two-thirds of the Elected Members of the Administrative Committee and Officers of the Society present in a face-to-face meeting provided that a majority of the Elected Members of the Administrative Committee and Officers of the Society cast affirmative votes.

10 ARTICLE X Amendments

10.1 Section 1. Amendment Procedure:

Amendments to this Constitution may be initiated by the Administrative Committee or by petition submitted to the Administrative Committee by five percent or more of the Members of the Society. In either case, the proposed amendment shall be submitted to the IEEE Technical Activities Board for approval. After such approval, the proposed amendment shall be publicized in at least one of the Society's publications or by direct communication to the membership. The proposed amendment shall be distributed by a ballot to all members of the Society at least 60 days before the date specified for the return of the ballots. The ballots shall carry a statement of the time limit for their return to the IEEE office. Approval of the amendment by at least two-thirds of the ballots returned shall be necessary for its enactment.

10.2 Section 2. Effective Date:

All amendments to the Constitution shall become effective 30 days after all necessary approvals and notification unless a later date had been specified at the time the vote was taken.

Meet the New IEEE OES AdCom 2005-07



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Tamaki Ura (M'91, SM'02), Director, Professor of Underwater Technology Research Center at the Institute of Industrial Science (IIS) of the University of Tokyo, is one of the leaders of development of Autonomous Underwater Vehicles in Japan. He was appointed Deputy Director of IIS in April, 2004.

Dedicating himself to estab-

lishing the IEEE/OES Japan Chapter, he served it as its first chair from 1995 to 2000. Internationally he organized four symposia of underwater technology: UT'98, UT2000, UT'02 in Tokyo, and UT'04 in Taipei, which were jointly sponsored by the IEEE/OES Japan Chapter or Taipei Chapter, IIS and ORN.

At present he is the conference chairman of OCEANS/Techno-Ocean 2004, held in Kobe in November 2004, which is the first OCEANS symposium in Asia. In addition, he has been an OES Journal associate editor of IEEE/OES for four years.

As a research professor, he has constructed more than ten models of AUVs so far. The R-One Robot, one of them, recorded 12-hours continuous operation in 1998, and full autonomous exploration over Teisi Knoll in 2000. The latest one is the "r2D4" designed for survey of a hydro-thermal vent area. Operation of this vehicle was successfully performed at NW 1 Rota Underwater Volcano in May 2004.

Awards received because of his research are:

1979: Prize for Paper from the Society of Naval Architects of Japan

1982: Houkou Prize for significant contribution to safety of moored ships

1995 and 1997: Prizes of Invention from the Society of Naval Architects of Japan

1998: Prize of High Automation Technology Association 1999: Prize of Technology from the Japan Society of Mechanical Engineers

He graduated from Faculty of Engineering of the University of Tokyo in 1972, proceeded to the Post Graduate School of the University of Tokyo, and received the degree of Doctor of Engineering from the University of Tokyo in 1977.



Joseph R. Vadus

Vice President, International Activities, IEEE Oceanic Engineering Society. Responsible for organizing out year and offshore conferences and symposia. B.S.E.E., Penn State University; M.S. in Ocean Engineering from Long Island University (1967); then served as Adjunct Professor of Ocean Engineering (1967-72).

IEEE Life-Fellow; Member

of OES for 30 yrs.; Served on AdCom periodically. IEEE Centennial Medal (1984) & IEEE Millennium Medal (2000). IEEE/OES Distinguished Service Award (1985). Contributing author in the IEEE special centennial book "Engineering Tomorrow". General Chairman for Oceans '76 in Washington during The Bicentennial. Chaired three OES Underwater Technology Symposia (98-00-02) in Tokyo.

Retired from Government service from NOAA in 1996 as Senior Technology Advisor; management positions in the Office of Manned Undersea S & T, Office of Coastal Environment, Office of Ocean Engineering, and Ocean Energy Program Office.

Sperry Rand Corporation: engineering management positions in major ocean R & D programs; headed Program Management Office for the U.S. Navy's NR-1 (1969).

Has 10 patents (6 awarded, 4 pending); over 80 publications; major keynote addresses.

U.S.Chair (15 yrs.) for Marine Technology with the U.S.-Japan Bilateral (1980-1995). Reviewed 200 facilities and Exchanged 500 papers; Japan Awards for Leadership (1986,1992); State Department Distinguished Service Award (1992).

U.S.Chair (15yrs.) for Marine Technology for the U.S.-France Cooperation in Oceanography (1980-1995); Awarded the French Order Of Merit (2000); appointed as Chevalier. U.S.-France Project in 1985 resulted in finding the "TITANIC".

Senior Staff Associate at NSF (1988-91); Program Director for Ocean Engineering.

MTS Fellow and Vice President for Technical Activities (1979-1989); Received the Compass Distinguished Technical Achievement Award and Rolex (1990). Fellow in the UK Society for Underwater Technology, London. Mexican Academy of Science's Distinguished Achievement Award (1991). Served in the US Marine Corps & Member of the First Marine Division Association.

Who's Who in the OES



Biographical Sketch for Robert Wernli

Robert L. Wernli received his B.S. degree in mechanical engineering from the University of California Santa Barbara in 1973 and an M.S. degree in engineering design from San Diego State University, San Diego, CA in 1985.

Bob has worked in the field of underwater robotics research and development at the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center (SSC) San Diego (formerly the Naval Ocean Systems Center) since 1973. His work there has focused on the development and testing of advanced undersea work systems, manipulators and tools for use to full ocean depths by both manned and unmanned vehicles. A Navy qualified diver, he is presently focusing on the applications of Autonomous Underwater Vehicles for Navy applications and has been part of the team that produced the U.S. Navy's Unmanned Underwater Vehicle (UUV) Master Plan.

He has been actively engaged in promoting the oceans, including the use of remotely operated vehicles, by creating and chairing the first 10 Remotely Operated Vehicle conferences (ROV '83-ROV '92), co-chairing OCEANS MTS/IEEE

'95, OCEANS MTS/IEEE '03 and the Underwater Technology '04 (Taiwan) conferences. He has nearly 30 technical publications and was editor and co-author of the book Operational Effectiveness of Unmanned Underwater Systems, published on CD-ROM in 1999.

Bob is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers' Oceanic Engineering Society, and a fellow of the Marine Technology Society (MTS). Within OES, he is applying his expertise in conference planning and management as a member of the ADCOM and RECON committees.

He is a recipient of the MTS Special Commendation and Award, the SSC San Diego Exemplary Service Award and the Navy Meritorious Civilian Service Award. In 2002 he received the prestigious Lauritsen-Bennet award for Excellence in Engineering from SSC San Diego.

Bob has been planning his retirement from the government next October by transitioning his writing from non-fiction to fiction. He recently published his first novel, the underwater techno-thriller Second Sunrise, which won first place in an international competition for genre fiction, and hopes to have the sequel available later this year. He lives in San Diego, Ca, with his wife, Beverley, and travels to his mountain cabin in nearby Idyllwild where he enjoys hiking and working on his novels.

Request for Nominations to the Administrative Committee, Class of 2006

The IEEE Oceanic Engineering Society is governed by an Administrative Committee is 18 members. Six are elected each year to serve three-year terms. Members are limited to two consecutive terms, although they may be reelected after a lapse of one year.

The Nomination and Appointments Committee is Chaired by the Junior Past President, with the Senior Past President and the most recently retired Senior Past President completing the Committee. We are charged with proposing a slate of nominees and with conducting the elections, which is done by mail to the entire membership.

Qualifications for Administrative Committee membership are membership in the IEEE and OES, and a willingness to serve the oceanic engineering profession. We wish to have the Administrative Committee characteristics reflect characteristics of the IEEE membership. We are particularly interested in increasing the Asian and European membership of the Committee.

I request that you identify and nominate qualified candidates for the Administrative Committee. Self-nomination is encouraged.

The Nomination Packet should include a Letter of Nomination accompanied by a one page biographical sketch of the proposed candidate and a one-page statement from the proposed candidate giving his or her views of the opportunities and challenges facing the Society and steps to be taken to advance the IEEE Oceanographic Engineering Society.

Nominations will be accepted through 31 May 2005 and should be submitted to:

Thomas Freud Wiener, Sc.D., LSMIEEE Chair, IEEE/OES N&A Committee 2403 Lisbon Lane Alexandria VA 22306 USA +1 703 768 9533 t.wiener@ieee.org

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Quebec City, Canada

Celebrating 400 Years of Evolution in Quebec City Some Images of the Quebec City Site Visit, on August 20 - 22, 2004



Computer Monitor set up in many places at the WTCC presenting OES and MTS members Site Visitors Names.



During an invited Dinner at WTCC, L. to R.:
Claude Pinault, President &CEO — WTCC,
Ferial El-Hawary, André Morin , Louise Wiener, Tom Wiener,
Xavier Maldague, Jim Barbera, Peggy Barbera, Kathleen
Streeter, Jerry Streeter



In Front of Chateau Laurier after the visit, L. To R.:
Peggy Barbera, Jim Barbera, Ferial El-Hawary,
Louise Wiener, Philippe Dupont, Tom Wiener,
André Morin, Jerry Streeter



During tour of the WTCC Facilities,
First Row L. to R.: Ferial El-Hawary, Kathleen Streeter
Peggy Barbera, Louise Wiener
Second Row L. to R.: Jerry Streeter, Xavier Maldague, A
WTCC representative, André Morin, Jim Barbera,
Philippe Dupont, Tom Wiener

Soundings

by John Irza



Welcome to the latest installment of "Soundings", a column that reports on a broad spectrum of news items from the mainstream media as they relate to Ocean Engineering technologies. The purpose of this column is to inform the ocean engineering community of our industry's visibility in the media and how the general public perceives our efforts.

UK Navy Releases Tsunami Seafloor Images

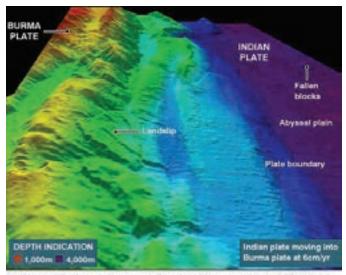
Without question the Asian tsunami has been the ocean-related subject that dominated the mainstream media in the past few months. The loss of life and devastation has far exceeded any previous natural disaster in recent history.

For the first time, the ocean community is witnessing the seafloor images from the Tsunami's epicenter, courtesy of the Royal Navy's hydrographic survey ship *HMS Scott*.

The *Scott* had been on a mapping mission in the Western portion of the Indian Ocean near the coast of Madagascar when the magnitude nine earthquake occurred. The UK's Ministry of Defense decided to re-route the vessel and, after receiving permission from the Indonesian government, the *HMS Scott* sailed for the earthquake epicentre.

Using the vessel's multi-beam sonar, a comprehensive mapping of epicenter's seafloor was achieved (see photo). The Scott's sonar - called SASS IV for Sonar Array Sounding System – uses two large arrays along and across her hull and is capable of mapping a strip of seabed several kilometers wide, effectively giving the vessel a mapping rate of 150 square kilometers per hour.

The sonar data is being further analyzed at the Southampton Oceanography Centre.



Looking south, the purple area marks where the ocean floor, which sits on the Indian tectonic plate, is pushing into, and moving under, the Burma plate. The Indonesian landmass sits alop the Burma plate. A rupture 30km below this area produced violent shaking, triggering the tsunami.

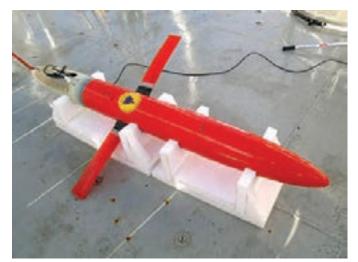
Underwater Glider Makes Gulf Stream Crossing

An "underwater glider" caught the attention of the general public last November when the Spray Glider successfully executed a Cape Cod to Bermuda transit. The two-meter (6-foot) long orange glider has a four-foot wingspan looks something akin to a model airplane. Indeed, its method of propulsion is similar in some ways to its airborne cousins.

By using a variable buoyancy mechanism (bladder), the vehicle becomes positively buoyant, glides to the surface, and then becomes negatively buoyant for a glide descent to a depth of 1000 meters (3300 feet). The seesaw profile gives the vehicle a forward velocity of approximately a half mile per hour or 12 miles per day.

As the vehicle traverses various layers of the ocean, it samples the surrounding environment by measuring parameters such as temperature, salinity and pressure. Every seven hours Spray spends about 15 minutes on the surface to relay its position and information back to Woods Hole, Massachusetts, and San Diego, California via satellite.

The glider's next mission will be in early 2005, when it makes a round trip between Woods Hole and Bermuda. Future gliders will be equipped with additional sensors to measure dissolved oxygen, carbon dioxide, alkalinity and nutrients in the water.



Spray Glider

Atlantic's Lost City Offers Up Surprises

In the March 2005 issue of the journal Science University of Washington oceanographer Deborah Kelley and colleagues reported the results from the 2003 "Lost City" expedition. (See http://www.lostcity.washington.edu on the web). The Lost City is a hydrothermal vent system perched on a plateau on the Atlantis massif - an underwater mountain located in the mid-Atlantic many miles from the nearest volcanic rift.

BBC NEWS & ROYAL NAVY

From the Lost City web site:

"The Lost City hydrothermal system is dramatically different from those that form black smokers in almost every way. The chimneys are hosted on mantle rocks that are >1.5-2 million years in age, not young volcanic rocks like basalt. They are made out of calcium carbonate minerals, not iron sulfides, and they have fluids that are basic, not acidic. The distinct nature of these chimneys results from the fact that the Atlantis mountain is made out of magnesium-rich rocks formed deep within the Earth."

The vent system is populated by more than 65 types of tiny creatures, including transparent worms, water fleas and mats of bacteria that waft in the currents like kelp. Incredibly, the animals and microbes thrive in scalding hot water that is as caustic as the drain cleaner you might use in your kitchen sink. The standard "diet" of this bizarre environment is mostly natural gas (methane) and hydrogen.

The heat that drives the vent system originates from a chemical reaction between sea water and ancient oceanic bedrock. With temperatures between 100 to 200 degrees, the hot water bubbles up and hits the icy sea, and dissolved carbonate minerals precipitate out, forming white and gray towers that rise like giant limestone stalagmites.



An actively venting carbonate pinnacle on the top of a 60-meter-high undersea structure. Photo courtesy of the University of Washington.

Upcoming Conferences

OTC '05 May 2-5, 2005 Houston, Texas www.otcnet.org

Oceans '05 Europe June 20-23, 2005 Brest, France www.Oceans05Europe.org

IEEE/OES Eighth Current Measurement Technology Conference

June 28--29, 2005 Southampton, England www.whoi.edu/science/AOPE/cmtc/2005

Underwater Acoustic Measurements

June 28-July 1, 2005 Crete, Greece http://uameassurements 2005.iacm.forth.gr

International Geoscience and Remote Sensing Symposium

July 25-29, 2005 Seoul, Korea ieeegrss@adelphia.net 14th International Symposium on Unmanned Untethered Submersible Technology

August 21-24, 2005 Durham, New Hampshire www.ausi.org/uust/uust.html

Oceans 2005 MTS/IEEE

September 19-23, 2005 Washington, D.C. www.oceans2005.org

2005 IEEE Underwater Acoustic Signal Processing Workshop

October 5-7, 2005 West Greenwich, Rhode Island www.uasp.org

Fifth International Symposium on Ocean Wave Measurement and Analysis

July 3-7, 2005 Madrid, Spain www.cedex.es

Lloyd Z. Maudlin Passed Away January 20, 2005

I am saddened by the passing of Lloyd Maudlin, a staunch IEEE Senior Member and a very good friend. He was a very dedicated President of the original Council of Oceanic Engineering (COE), with a very personable manner in dealing with everyone. Lloyd managed to handle all important issues in a fair and thorough manner. There were a few times when the AdCom meeting would adjourn after midnight. This was possible, because his enthusiasm and friendly spirit kept us interested and involved. He and his wife Lauralee attended most meetings and Oceans Conferences. They were a happy couple in the center of COE social activities. Lloyd has contributed much to the advancement of oceanic engineering. We will miss his big smile and his genuine camaraderie. Condolences to Lauralee and his family.

Joseph Vadus

Sally and I were saddened to hear of Lloyd's passing. We have such pleasant memories of both Lloyd and his wife Lauralee. I can still remember having a conversation with Lloyd on the steps of the Sheraton Park Hotel in Washington DC back at OCEANS'78. This was a conversation in which I expressed my desire to become more involved in what then was the Council of Oceanic Engineering. He was very encouraging as he always was. The conversation led to me becoming a member of the Council. Things went quickly after that, with me becoming involved as General Chair of OCEANS'81 in Boston and then President of the newly emergent Society of Oceanic Engineering in 1983. This was all very new territory for me and how I so much appreciated Lloyd's encouragement. His positive, happy disposition was such a testimony to the inner peace that he possessed.

Stan Chamberlain





L. to R.: Mo El-Hawary, (Late) Ed Early, Theodore Heindsmann, Lauralee Maudlin, Van Early, (Late) Lloyd Maudlin, Ferial El-Hawary



L. To R.: Stan Chamberlain, Mrs. Chamberlain, Van Czika, Joe Czika, Lauralee Maudlin, (Late) Lloyd Maudlin





Mission (John Potter and Family)

"Our mission is to take a year to explore, as a family, remote corners of the Indian Ocean, by sailboat, working with local and international researchers on coral reef systems, marine mammals and fish to promote awareness of the plight of the oceans, create interactive educational opportunities for students and to better understand the delicate wonders of our precious coral habitats and oceans."

Jocara Newsletter Jan 1, 2005

Well, we were praying for more wind, and I guess our gods are both powerful and took us seriously, because we got some serious wind! Unfortunately, most of it has been on the nose so we've been beating into high seas and winds gusting up to 39 knots for the past 6 days. The seas today sometimes reached over 6m high. We've broken the main halyard, Genoa halyard, starboard railing, port Genoa winch, oven gimbals, generator, windscoop, oh, lots of other small stuff. The boat is a mess below, with a mix of food, papers, soft furnishings and books strewn about where things have crashed out of cupboards and off shelves. We are in no state to clean any of it up; indeed, it's a battle even to cook a bowl of pasta. Nevertheless, all on board are in good spirits and healthy!

Well, we have had a couple of sense-of-humour failure moments, but nothing too serious. On the plus side, we've been visited by porpoising dolphins and careening boobies, diving into the waves and skimming the surface catching flying fish. We caught a good-sized Dorado, but have so far been unable to cook it! Caroline's parents have had to celebrate New Year on their own, waiting for us to arrive in Zanzibar. We are now at 7 deg. 08.1'S, 40 deg. 05.2'E, just 75 n.m. from Zanzibar and hoping to reach anchorage midday tomorrow. So have a great New Year everybody, and check out our New Year Card to be posted on the Jocara website at http://www.jocara.net when our good friend Mandar receives our update CD mailed from Mayotte.

P.S. Don't forget to check out our website at http://www.jocara.net for updates, pics and short movies, also archived

newsletters. Anyone can join the list or unsubscribe by sending an email to mandar@arl.nus.edu.sg with the subject line 'subscribe jocara newsletter' or 'unsubscribe Jocara newsletter' as appropriate.

On Jan 5, 2005 Mandar wrote:

I don't think he felt any effect of the Tsunami. He (John Potter) said:

"We hear there's been an earthquake and tidal wave in the Indian Ocean, but we don't know where or when, exactly!

We have noticed neither here (in deep open water) just north of the Comorros (11 deg. 09.3'S, 43 deg. 19.2'E)."

regards, Mandar

Jocara Newsletter Jan 10, 2005

We arrived in Zanzibar on 2 January, battling headwinds even until the last moments into the wave-tossed anchorage where we saw Caroline's parents waving to us from ashore. Stonetown turned out to be a fascinating place, full of exotic new sights and colour. We eagerly took up opportunities to eat ashore and catch up on sleep while organizing reprovisioning and essential repairs. Checking in and out turned out to be a somewhat lengthy affair, traipsing around a variety of offices in the busy little port with an unanticipated \$50/person visa cost. Still, the people are friendly, happy cries of 'Jambo' (hello in Swahili) greeting us everywhere and the funny-sounding 'Akuna Matata' (don't worry) made famous by Disney's Lion King, but in genuine use here. We employed a local 'scary' (a young man called Morrocco whose job it was to guard our dinghy on the beach and Jocara at anchor from opportunistic locals who might think we could do without some of our more portable items, like outboard motors) for US\$10/day and had no problems. We also met with our contact in the Institute of Marine Sciences in Zanzibar and received promising support to work with them later in the month. On the evening of 5 Jan. we set off for Pemba Island, 60 n.m. north and just offshore,

to explore this supposedly pristine marine environment. We met up with Caroline's parents again there on the 6th (who'd taken the fast ferry) and moved on to Misali Island, a small islet that is now a marine park. For the next few days we explored Misali and north Pemba, finding that the famed marine life now seems heavily exploited and that less colourful coral and sizeable fish are to be found than we had hoped. The Misali park authorities were very helpful and gave us full support to explore and photograph their beautiful park. We will provide them with images and video to promote the park and its aims and to create more public awareness by featuring Misali on our webpages. The area is filled with traditional lattine-rigged sailing dhows and dugouts. Their lights, probably fishing for herring or sardines, dot the horizon like a town at night. By day, they paddle furiously around schools of fish, paying out nets, while others spearfish using masks and fins and still more patrol the exposed reef at low tide, probably looking for octopus and shellfish. We did make a couple of dives and saw three huge Napoleon Wrasse, but the visibility was not great. Nor have we been without boat equipment failures, yesterday standing out as a 'day from hell' as John spent most of it up to his armpits in sh*t fixing our blocked toilet... Now we are gently drifting along on our way west to the mainland, to Tanga, where we plan to keep the boat while we go inland to explore Arusha and take a short Safari. Our position as I write is 4 deg. 59.8'S, 39 deg. 29.8'E, heading west at a leisurely 1.5 kts.

All the best from the Crew of Jocara.

Jocara Newsletter Jan 25, 2005

At last! More news from Jocara, we are indeed still alive and kicking!

We arrived in Tanga late on 10th and anchored off the delightful and friendly little yacht club in calm water, much appreciative of a meal ashore and a good night's sleep. We were able to organize someone to take care of our cats and boat for US\$2.50/day and booked tickets to Arusha, 400 km away, from where we would take our Safari. On 14th we took the local bus, \$7 each, for an 8-hour ride to Arusha. Quite an experience and full of local colour! Arusha is at 1500 m altitude among hills and close to the mountains of Meru and Kilimanjaro. We stayed at a little guest house (US\$8 a night for a double room with shower and toilet! OK, so what if the toilet didn't flush...). Next day (15th) we set off with Crown Eagle (one of the 200 travel companies in Arusha, recommended to us by good friends who passed through here a year ago) for Tarangire Park. Immediately inside the park boundary, marked by no more than a gate, we began to see elephants and giraffes up close, so many of them! It was really fantastic, and unreal. Families of elephants; young ones, matriarchs, mud-bathing, just like you see on a wildlife documentary, only right in front of our eyes. The huge Baobab trees, impossibly, made the elephants and giraffes look small. After a night in a nearby campsite we toured the park again the next morning, then moved on to a panoramic campsite on the edge of the famous rift valley, looking down onto the plains. The next day (17th) Caroline was sick with a stomach bug, but managed to enjoy the drive down into the Ngorongoro crater, a 20 km diameter crater with a flat interior of grasslands and lakes, stuffed with thousands of elephant, zebra, wildebeest, hippos, some rhinos, lions and cheetas and many, many birds, all of which we were lucky to see in the one day we had there. Totally different from Tarangire, and equally spectacular, if not more so. Back to Arusha and there we split up, Alex and Ria (Caroline's mum) taking up residence in a nice hotel (where the toilets flushed) while Caroline, Piet (Caroline's dad), Casper and John set off on 18th on a walking safari to climb Mount Meru, 4500m. The first day we climbed 1000m through grasslands and forest, staying in Miriakamba hut at 2500m altitude. On 19th we climbed a further 1000m through trees and then scrubland to reach Saddle hut at 3500m altitude, nestled between little Meru mountain on one side and a broad hump called Rhino point on the other. At 0200 the following morning we staggered out into the cold and dark with little lamps on our heads to make the final ascent. After reaching Rhino point (1.5 hrs) we dropped down some 150m to follow the jagged ridge of the crater that forms Mount Meru, a remnant volcano rim. After 6 hours in increasingly thin air, we gasped to the summit at 4500m just after 08:00. The views were fabulous, with cloud far below us, Kilimanjaro resplendent in the distance and the new volcanic ash cone lying within the arc of the old crater rim at our feet. It felt like the top of the world, though Everest is twice as high! Making our way down to Saddle hut took less time, of course, where we had lunch and a nap. Then we crawled another 1000m further down to Miriakamba hut, the last hour pushing us to the limit. The following day, the 21st, we descended the final 1000m and crawled into the hotel where Ria and Alex were staying, barely able to walk for the muscle pain in our legs. Piet and Ria left the next day, with hugs and tears, while Casper, Alex, Caroline and John took the bus back to Tanga, taking 9.5 hours this time in an even more colourful trip than on the way up. The 23rd, a Sunday, was spent recovering and making new Dutch Friends, also with young kids, who have lived in Tanga 12 years. Our colleague Oliver Wurl arrived on 24th to work with us taking water and air samples for nutrient and pollution analysis, bearing numerous begged-for items from Singapore organised by our good friend Matthias. Today Caroline, Casper, Oliver and John are out on the reefs taking samples, while Alex enjoys time with his new-found girlfriend Nina, daughter of our new Dutch friends Luuk and Birgit, and goes to the local international school with her for a couple of days.

Jocara is currently at 5 deg. 05.04'S, 39 deg. 10.73'E

The Jocara crew
has also sent a new year card
to all readers. The delivery of the card
(on a CD) was delayed,
but it is now uploaded to the
Jocara website. Please see http://www.
jocara.net/Home/2005_card.jpg

Jocara Newsletter Feb 9, 2005

The last two weeks have been crazy with all the great people and stuff going on for us in Tanga. We extended our stay until yesterday, we've enjoyed the place so much. Oliver came out with us for two days to take water samples, anchored overnight among the reefs. Then there were more repairs (generator again) then off for a Sunday dive with Simon, the principal of the local international school that has taken Alex under its wing, and our new friends Luuk and Birgit, plus a motley assortment of kids. Caroline spent Monday filming 'a day in the life of' Nina, Luuk and Birgit's daughter. This is really for the Ministry of Education in Singapore and included a lot of time at the Tanga International School (http://www.tistanzania.com), a wonderful school with just 32 pupils and three classes. Tuesday we hosted a boat visit from the kids; just like we did for the classes in Singapore. John finally worked up the courage to attack the main engine overheating problem, and has maybe got it licked. Wednesday we visited the Tanga Coastal Zone Conservation and Development Programme office to talk to them about their fisheries management and protection programme, and also about the amazing 19 Coelacanths that have been caught in the Tanga area in recent months. The Coelacanth is a 'living fossil'; extremely rare, weird and a protected species. We saw one in their freezer, it was immediately apparent that this is a truly strange fish, completely different from anything else we have ever seen. We worked with the programme officers to set up a webpage on their amazing findings and are going to get that put up as soon as we are able to help get the news out and spur efforts to protect the newly-discovered habitat. Refueling was a nightmare experience (as always in remote places) but we got 1000 litres of diesel on board that will have to last us until... who knows? Caro and John spent many happy hours running about town picking up all sorts of provisions, and we now (once again) have a freezer full of frozen meat of various sorts. The stay was rounded off with a trip up-country to the hills, tea plantations and tropical rainforest of Amani and Eastern Usambara mountains, where we also visited small dairy farms who work in a collective of such farms; a long-term project of Luuk and Birgit (who are vets). Finally, we pulled ourselves away from this delightful town and its people, all of whom have been so friendly and supportive. The 50m motor vessel 'Lamu' (an ex-Norwegian whaler and North Sea oilrig rescue boat, now privately owned as a pleasure yacht) were very generous in taking us alongside on our way out to give us 1200 litres of fresh water, swap some DVD films, books, magazines, stories... so that we eventually cleared the point around 13:00 and finally set sail for Zanzibar. Today, 9 Feb. finds us at 5 deg. 37.2'S, 39 deg. 07.3'E making 4.5 kts southwards in 10 kts of wind towards our next appointment with the Institute of Marine Sciences to work with them on their Menai conservation area and Dolphin tourism.

The Crew of Jocara.

Jocara Newsletter Feb 18, 2005

This newsletter comes from the south of Zanzibar, in Menai Bay where we are working with local operators and the Menai Bay Conservation organisation to document tourist interactions with the local dolphin population. Menai Bay has 'swim with wild dolphins' safari tourism that provides income to two shoreside villages. There are also three Swedish post-graduate students working on the dolphins and tourist impact and they are helping us by taking us out in their research boat. We have been fortunate to get some good still photos and some video of dolphins underwater. Menai Bay is a beautiful spot, with white beaches and picturesque villages. The coral and fish life is excellent, compared to many places we've seen. The kids are getting into squid fishing in a big way, so calamari rings and squid pasta are the current order of the day. The locals bring in tuna and huge groupers, caught in 50-60m not far from here. We plan to continue working on this project for another 5-6 days before heading back to StoneTown, Zanzibar to collect a couple of packages that should have arrived (DHL willing) before striking out back east for the Seychelles.

Jocara Newsletter March 10, 2005

This newsletter comes to you from an historic World Heritage Site, the Arab trading centre of Stone Town, Zanzibar. Yes, we're here again, having completed work on the dolphins of Menai Bay. It seems incredible that we've been in Tanzania for over two months! We made a short video of our dolphin work and presentations to the Menai Bay Conservation and Institute of Marine Sciences that were well-received. We are now assembling a lot of updated material for the MoE and our website to send back on CD. After herculean efforts we have also managed to extract our packages from the clutches of DHL and local customs, thanks to our local friends for their patient help! Caroline has some kind of blood infection that started in her fingers; we're treating it with antibiotics and it seems to be getting better but we don't want to set off for the Seychelles with any lingering problems that might flare up. We also have the usual collection of engine and other troubles, but no showstoppers. The kids are getting restless and bored... time to move on. The most daunting aspect is that instead of the predicted and seasonal NW to NE variable winds we have been getting a steady ENE; right where we need to head to get to the Seychelles. With wind on the nose, it could take a very long time to cross those thousand miles. Is it our imagination or is the weather turning funny just about everywhere? It could be our longest crossing yet! So, if you have some fair winds and following seas, send them our way!

The Crew of Jocara.

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In June 2005, the Oceanic Engineering community will gather in Brest for Oceans'05 Europe. This wide term of Oceanic Engineering covers in fact all EE (Electrical Engineering) activities related to the probing, measuring and understanding of the ocean. These domains encompass a very large field, which goes beyond the traditional underwater acoustics, instrumentation and processing. This year 2005 is at the same time the International Year of Physics and the centenary of Jules Verne death¹. Oceans'05 Europe will try to match the greatness of these two major events through its Technical and Exhibit Program as well as by being associated with the Jules Verne Exhibition displayed at Oceanopolis throughout the conference. On the theme "Today's technology for a sustainable future", the Conference will offer an outstanding technical program, tutorials and an exhibition show in the cozy conference center, Le Quartz. Social events will bring you all over Brest from the City Hall reception room to the now famous Oceanopolis greatest display

As usual, a large part of the conference is devoted to underwater acoustics processing and systems (AUVs, ROVs, ...). But, the conference is not restricted to these classical domains of instru-

of fish in France.



mentation and offers lots of openings for the environmental concerns - oil spill monitoring, biotechnology, living resources - or the societal impacts of marine policies – coastal zone management, marine safety and security, Another field linking the instrumentation approach and the policy makers deals with data, data connections and management. The IEEE, as a major international organization, is a member of the GEOSS² (Global Earth Observation System of Systems) and has been examining the technical issues and challenges of integrating diverse measurement systems, models and communication structures to provide information to decision makers on a global scale. In the ocean segment of GEOSS, many specific issues need to be addressed. There are extensive measurement gaps in both the northern and southern hemispheres (including the combination of remote sensing and in situ systems). In addition to measurements, the propagation of standards for GOOS (Global Ocean Observing Systems) needs to be broader. This includes agreement on measurement approaches and how to train for routine system operations, the introduction of metadata standards and the integration of deep-ocean and near-shore measurements into a single unified data set.

The rough numbers that we can read here and there about

human beings is that about 3/4 of humanity lives - on the average - within 30 km of the oceans (or seas). On the other hand, it is well known that more than 70% of the Earth surface is water. Another fact is that we are daily



facing a stream of data pouring from space. We are all familiar with the words "Mega" (10^6) or "Giga" (10^9) : here we are talking "Terabytes" (10^{12}) or "Petabytes" (10^{15}) of data to download, analyze, understand, transform in an accessible way to the end-user.

There are a couple of efforts presently in the early stages of design development and implementation in both the environmental data collection arena and computer storage and processing realm that could have a profound effect on both the timeliness and accuracy of the test and evaluation process in the near future. The most promising one –as stated above - is the ongoing multinational GEOSS project that will, when implemented, provide a comprehensive worldwide environmental database available to researchers on demand. This will enable a more judicious selection of testing environments for emerging ocean technologies. The computer storage technique will enable the development of more sophisticated evaluation models both for test planning and performance prediction and the



important post test system evaluation to determine feasibility.

So as a conclusion - and if all these programs are for real – I can say that a vision for the near future passes through a better use of the resources, not from an

energy point of view but from an information and knowledge one. I hope that the technology and its by-product, the information, will be dedicated "to serve the Man".

¹ http://www.jules-verne.net/

² http://www.epa.gov/geoss/



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Adaptive processing in non-stationary interference

Detection, localization or tracking, and classi cation

Marine mammal related acoustic signal processing

Multistatic sonar signal processing

Performance limits for passive sonar

Physics-based signal processing algorithm design and analysis

Signal processing for AUVs or deployed autonomous systems

Synthetic aperture sonar

Underwater acoustic communications

Research on other topics in Underwater Acoustic Signal Processing will also be considered. There will be a special session on Homeland Defense Applications of Underwater Acoustic Signal Processing.

Facilities limit attendance to 50 persons. Preference will be given to those presenting research results. Abstract submission and registration directions may be found at http://www.uasp.org

Important dates:

July 8, 2005 - Deadline for abstract submission

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