

## Ocean Innovation 2010

Investigating the crushing depths of the ocean; enabling the recovery of offshore oil and gas; shedding light on history. Underwater vehicles transport us to shadowed places and times. Wonders of technology and ingenuity, these robots unveil the hidden frontiers of inner space.



Ocean Innovation 2010 will bring together key representatives from government, industry and academe to discuss and debate the present and future state of underwater vehicle technology. During this two-day, single stream event delegates will explore latest innovations and challenges under four sub-themes – engineering, exploration, enterprise and education.

OI 2010 will provide more hands on activity for participants than ever before. This year's attendees can look forward to many interactive exhibitor stations, team building networking breaks and for those that sign up early – an opportunity to come on board MI's very own M/V Anne S. Pierce for a up and close encounter with some of today's leading edge underwater technology.



## About Ocean Innovation

Ocean Innovation is Canada's premiere oceans event, attracting significant national and international interest, thereby bringing the world to our shores. The Ocean Innovation conference and exhibition strives to introduce relevant and often provocative topics centered on the latest innovations in the areas of maritime safety, efficiency of operations and sustainable ocean management.

Ocean Innovation is organized as a two day, single stream conference, with a parallel exhibition. The event is held in mid to late October. The conference program is carefully designed to ensure that a variety of relevant issues related to a particular theme are discussed and debated by all participants. The speaker program is by invitation only. In this way the conference chair and program committee are able to identify and 'hand pick' top notch speakers who will address key topics around the selected theme. The single-stream design helps to encourage cross-fertilization of ideas since every delegate is encouraged to attend every talk. This minimizes the tendency found in many other technical conferences to cluster into intellectual 'ghettos'.

A concerted effort is made to involve all members of the community, including government, academia, industry and NGO's in the belief that all three have key roles to play and that it is important to give them a 'meeting place' from time to time to discuss and debate timely issues. Although not adverse to large numbers of participants, Ocean Innovation is becoming known and respected as an intimate event that consistently attracts between 250 - 300 delegates and 30 - 40 industry exhibits. Every effort is made to leave adequate time throughout the event for delegates to socialize.

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