

National Research Vessel Task Team
Meeting – October 19, 2022
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Present:

Douglas Wallace, MEOPAR
Rodrigo Menafrá, MEOPAR
Bridget Graham, MEOPAR
Dan Gibson, MEOPAR
Richard Dewey, Ocean Networks Canada/University of Victoria
Breanna Gricken, NSERC
Anthony Redican, Department of Fisheries and Oceans
Greg Cutter, Old Dominion University
Erin Bertrand, Dalhousie University
Feiyue Wang, University of Manitoba
Clare Reimers, Oregon State University
Alexandre Forest, Amundsen Science
Casey Hubert, University of Calgary
Jennifer Vollrath, NRCan on behalf of Daniel Lebel on behalf of Stephen Locke
Kent Moore, University of Toronto
Jay Cullen, University of Victoria
Erin MacNeil, DRDC
Rachel Chang, Dalhousie University

Absent:

Douglas Bancroft, CSSF
Melissa Anderson, University of Toronto
Paul Myers, CNC-SCOR
John Jamieson, CCOD
Mark Hannington, GEOMAR
Stephen Locke, NRCan
Kenn Rankine, NSERC
Carey Ryan, Nova Scotia Offshore Energy Research Association
Adrian Schimnowski, Arctic Research Foundation
Rachel Sipler, Memorial University
Philippe Tortell, University of British Columbia
Geoff Green, Students on Ice and C3
Susan Evans, CFI
Anne de Vernal, UQAM
Marcel Babin, Takuvik International Research Laboratory (U Laval & CNRS) and Amundsen Science
Marlon Lewis, Dalhousie University and Amundsen Science
Suzanne Carbotte, Colombia University
Michelle Payne, NSERC

Erik Lapointe, Reformar
Philippe Archambault, ArcticNet
Elizabeth Boston, NSERC
Guillaume St. Onge, ISMER

Welcome: The Chair for this meeting, Doug Wallace, welcomed all the members and observers of the National Research Vessel Task Team (NRVTT) and thanked them for their on-going support. The Chair mentioned that MEOPAR recently submitted an application to the Strategic Science Fund (SSF) for \$52 million over 5 years, which included funds for access to infrastructure, ship-time access and continued support for the Modular Ocean Research Infrastructure (MORI). The Chair thanked CSSF, COVE, The Launch, Amundsen and Reformar for providing a letter for MEOPAR's application to the SSF.

The Chair welcomed Breanna Gricken, the ship-time coordinator for NSERC who was in attendance.

Heavy Lift and ROV Ship Operations in Maintaining Cabled Observatories: Richard Dewey
Richard Dewey presented on behalf of Ocean Networks Canada (ONC). Please contact Richard at rdewey@uvic.ca for more information.

MPRI Offshore Burn Experiment (MOBE): Feiyue Wang presented on this initiative. Feiyue can be reached at feiyue.Wang@umanitoba.ca for more information. Feiyue is currently actively and urgently looking for a research vessel for the in-situ burn.

Modular Ocean Research Infrastructure Initial Development and Demonstration (MORI IDD) Project Update: Update from MEOPAR's Project Manager Dan Gibson. Please contact Dan at Dan.Gibson@meopar.ca.

Richard, Feiyue and Dan's slides will be shared with members and observers of the NRVTT.

News Roundtable:

- Geoff Green of Students on Ice shared news via email regarding the recent Ocean Conservation Expedition. This was noted by the Chair during the roundtable.
- It was decided that the NRVTT would discuss autonomous vessels at the next meeting.
- The next meeting of the NRVTT will take place on December 14, 2022 at 2:00pm (Atlantic).