Navigating the Blue Economy through the Climate Emergency:
How do we achieve joined up thinking and improved decision making?

Open
09:00  Karen Seath, Chair, SUT Decommissioning & Wreck Removal Committee
Welcome: A look through 10 years

Session 1: Energy infrastructure use and impact: The need for better decision making
09:10  Chair: Petra Harsanyi, Marine Station Manager, St Abbs Marine Station

Abigail Davies, PhD Student, National Decommissioning Centre/University of Aberdeen
The Energy ‘transition’: Out of the frying pan, into the fire?

Steve Hall, Policy & Technology Consultant
Current global marine policies – Time to rethink?

Lee Hanlon, CEO, CessCon Decom
The circular economy challenge for onshore decommissioning of offshore infrastructure

Discussion/Q&A
10:30  Wrap up/Coffee

Session 2: The Marine Ecosystem – What are we protecting it for? The need to think differently
11:00  Chair: Nigel James, Master Mariner, Waves Group
Opening: Prevention rather than cure? A Master Mariner’s perspective

James Herbert, Secretary General, International Salvage Union
Lloyd’s Open Form and the role of the marine salvage industry in the preservation of marine ecosystems

Mike Elliott, Chair in Estuarine & Coastal Sciences, University of Hull
The value of biodiversity – A scientist’s perspective

Moya Crawford, Managing Director Deep Tek/President of the SUT
Where we are with the Hazardous and Noxious Substances (HNS) Convention – How does this fit in with the opening up of the NE Passage?

Discussion/Q&A
12:15  Wrap up/Lunch
Session 3: Exploration and Removal of wrecks and offshore structure: The Tech and Data need
13:00  Chair: Andy Matkin, Commercial Manager (Environmental Services), Fugro

Murray Roberts, Professor of Applied Marine Biology & Ecology, University of Edinburgh
Exploring the Titanic – the 2022 expedition

Juha Flinkman, Finnish Environment Institute SYKE
Legacy wrecks as environmental hazards in the Northern Baltic Sea – Case Gulf of Finland

Mark Lawrence, Lead – Digital Services, Waves Group
How state of the art Technology and Visualisation can help inform decision making

Will Black, Decommissioning Project Manager, EnQuest on behalf of the Subsea Decommissioning Collaboration (SDC)
A collaborative operator approach using innovative supply chain technologies

Discussion and Q&A
Workshop: Break into four groups to discuss key questions

14:45  Wrap up/Coffee

Session 4: Moving the conversation on – Tackling tough topics
15:10  Chair: Rachael Sinclair, Senior Scientist, SMRU Consulting

Part 1: Explosives and UXO’s – A changing story
Alison Brand, Managing Director, Manta Environmental
A look back, and how EDGAR (Explosives use in Decom, Guide for Assessment of Risk) enables the future

Lisa Zardoni, Decommissioning Engineer, North Sea Transition Authority
Driving efficiencies with the right decom toolbox

Richard Battrick, Managing Director, UXOcontrol
Regulatory framework for UXOs, scoping magnitude of problem, differences between explosives and UXOs

Discussion/Q&A

Part 2: Driving topical discussion forward across the ‘Quadruple Helix’
Moya Crawford, President, SUT
The SUT Special Interest Groups, the strength of partnership, and looking forward

16:20  Dave Paterson, CEO, Marine Alliance for Science and Technology for Scotland (MASTS)
Thoughts from the two workshops – Open discussion

16:30  Wrap up and Closing remarks.