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TARGETS"

In the last message I reported on the aspirations we have been developing for change, as a result of the 2013 review of our 5 year plan for a Vision and Strategy. In this message I will talk in a bit more detail about some of the changes which are already taking place, to allow us to deliver against these targets.

Firstly, it should be said that IMCA has had a very successful year from a financial and statistical point of view. As a result the secretariat team can now grow, which is necessary in order to deliver more and better services, in turn made necessary by the constantly evolving environment offshore across the globe.

The primary changes we are delivering are in response to a desire for the membership structure to be more representative of the demographics of the members. In this regard I revealed the plans for a new membership category to include contractors, not necessarily of ICO stature or scale, but with significant international standing, representing an important body with a strong voice inside IMCA. These vital members (part of IMCA's future) should have their needs, issues and concerns raised at Council level by means of an elected representative.

Currently the secretariat is looking at ways to objectively define this next level of membership. Criteria such as turnover, geographical representation, number of employees, fleet size, active contribution to IMCA and the like are being compiled, to ensure that the new level of membership is fully inclusive and representative. As part of this process it is recognised that one of the existing ICOs has, due to a change in business profile,



evolved into an organisation that no longer fits the original ICO criteria. Accordingly, we are looking across the membership base to see if there is a contractor who does meet that criteria, and would be willing to join the ICO membership category.

There is an ongoing drive for globalisation of the organisation and we are looking to establish IMCA representation in Houston and Singapore in a cost effective manner, allowing us to provide more support and representation in these important geographical areas and membership hubs.

In addition to a new contractor membership category, we recognise that IMCA can further involve the member base, across all the categories, to make us a better integrated and more cohesive Association. In 2014 OMC will therefore look at proposals with the objective of creating a more integrated membership platform. We will provide a conceptual outline, looking into and defining how the various member elements could work together to add more value for: the sector; stakeholders; all our members; and the Association. As IMCA members are involved from design to decommissioning, we should have a desire for all in that community to have a voice. The goal of becoming a more inclusive collective should allow us to strengthen that voice, and to also have it recognised on a regional and global scale.

Last but not least, I have expressed the desire to build and develop an IMCA foundation, providing educational and training support/opportunities for underprivileged or disadvantaged children across the globe. This concept continues to evolve, and it seems that the most efficient

and expedient way to deliver this would be by utilising an existing charitable organisation (within the subsea space) to set up, look after and manage an IMCA Global Education Foundation to which money, donations and gifts can be channelled, in order to provide offshore career opportunities for those children who have the greatest need.

Some amongst you may have noticed subtle changes to the look and style of our documents, most evident perhaps in the membership certificates for 2014. These have deliberately been redesigned, to emphasise the professional nature of IMCA membership. We have opted for 'class and clarity', which better reflect our values.

The June edition of Making Waves will also be different, as we implement the feedback received from members in a recent survey, delving into the look of the magazine, its style, editorial content, advertising, and the way that we distribute it. Again, we are aiming for a more serious and professional look.

I am planning to report back on achievements against our ambitions at the annual seminar this year, and know that the secretariat has already started collecting and collating the data and information needed to measure performance against the objectives set out in our Vision and Strategy.

It is important we ensure our goals are being met, whilst recognising that, as the Association continues to develop and grow, so does our industry and our needs. We must keep applying the 'lessons learnt' principle and trying to make ourselves future proof.

around IMCA



Following the Europe & Africa Section meeting in Hamburg on Thursday 28 November 2013, IMCA held a well received half-day seminar on offshore renewables. There were eight short presentations on a variety of topics relating to offshore renewables, followed by a constructive workshop session and Q&A.

The day was a huge success and included talks on the CMID (Common Marine Inspection Document) for small workboats, aspects of operations and logistics for offshore wind farms (which contrasted the logistics requirements of typical offshore wind farms with comparable offshore oilfield construction),

an update on tidal renewable developments, and a presentation on international guidance on minimum safety standards for offshore wind farm vessels.

After lunch, members heard a short update on the G9 focal group for offshore wind health and safety, followed by presentations on maritime operations and logistics of offshore wind farm construction, the effect of the Maritime Labour Convention on offshore support vessel operations, and a brief background to annual DP trials for offshore wind farm installation vessels. NH

IMCA DIVING CERTIFICATION SCHEME

2013 was a busy year for IMCA's diving certification team as they dealt with 348 exam applications. Of the 348 applicants from diving contractor companies around the world, 212 candidates successfully passed their exams in and became certified as IMCA diving supervisors and Life Support Technicians (LSTs).

There was also a surge in ADAS, DCBC and NDC

supervisors seeking IMCA legislation endorsements to supplement their previous IMCA recognised certification.

We continue to find and secure exam venues and invigilators in locations that best suit our candidates and their sponsoring companies, and to date we have organised IMCA exams in 42 countries. GdCH

The breakdown of newly issued certificates in 2013 was as follows:

109
Air Diving Supervisor

49

Bell Diving Supervisor

Life Support Technician



IMCA STAFF CHANGES

We would like to welcome Natasha Simmonds who joined us in December as Documents Administrator, and who will also be providing administrative support to Chris Charman and Jane Bugler.

In other staff news, our membership department is now so busy that we need an extra staff member to help with the workload. Michelle Salway will be moving over from publication sales to assist Michelle Killington in membership (hopefully our members won't get too confused with two Michelles!).

Kayleigh Glasscock, our receptionist, will take over from Michelle Salway in publications. This leaves our receptionist role open for which we are now recruiting.

We may also be recruiting a temporary member of staff to assist in membership when Michelle Killington goes on maternity leave early in the summer. Here's to another IMCA baby!

So, lots of staff changes in the support team, but we will continue to provide our members with as great a service as ever. KG

core activities

C&T ACTION PLAN 2014

Following the launch of the IMCA Vision and Strategy, the Competence & Training Core Committee is in the process of finalising an action plan to underpin and deliver the elements of the strategy relevant to the Committee's work and remit.

Drafts of the action plan were reviewed by the C&T and Overall Management Committee members towards the end of 2013 and now. following collation of the feedback, a revised draft is intended to be approved shortly. NE

2014 C&T **EVENTS**

Following the success in 2013, IMCA will be holding a series of one day Competence Seminars through 2014, addressing (amongst other hot topics) industry skills shortages, demonstration of the competence of freelance and contract personnel and issues faced in the audit of competence management systems. The provisional calendar is listed below.

A programme will be distributed and registration opened soon for the Aberdeen event, with details of the subsequent events to follow. NE

23 April Hilton Treetops Hotel Aberdeen, UK 16 May Venue TBC Buzios, Brazil 10 lune Jebel Ali Golf Resort and Spa Dubai, UAE **Date TBC** Venue TBC Singapore



core activities



The SEL Core Committee continues to develop safety promotional material tailored to the specific needs of IMCA members.

At present, work is continuing on a number of items, including a DVD on confined spaces (nearly complete), a poster on confined spaces (which is based broadly on the script of the DVD) and further pocket cards.

We hope to publish pocket cards during 2014 on occupational health issues and on safe handling of Naturally Occurring Radioactive Materials (NORM). Additionally, the SEL Core Committee is investigating new styles and graphics to make the cards and posters more up to date and user friendly.

Contact nick.hough@imca-int.com for further information.

SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL STATISTICS

Each year IMCA produces an authoritative report of safety statistics supplied by contractor members, covering fatalities and injuries. These statistics remain a useful insight into the performance of a company and industry sector in the areas of health, safety and environment, and the purpose of them is to record the safety performance of IMCA contractor members each year and to enable IMCA members to benchmark their performance.

Each year we email the SEL representatives of each contractor member, inviting the submission of statistics on an easy to use Excel template. IMCA contractor members are asked to send information from which the usual lagging indicators (TRIR, LTIFR and FAR) can be calculated, as well as information for calculating the usual IMCA leading indicators.

This year will be the second year we have collected data on environmental indicators, including oil spills, bunkers used, electricity used onshore, and waste disposed of, in addition to the more usual lagging and leading indicator data. All information received is treated in the strictest confidence.

Members are encouraged to submit their data before the end of QI so that we can prepare the final report in a timely manner. If you have any concerns or questions regarding the IMCA safety statistics programme, please contact nick.hough@imca-int.com





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IMO UPDAT

OFFSHORE TRAINING **STANDARDS**

IMO has adopted revised training recommendations for personnel on mobile offshore units. The previous guidance (IMO Resolution A.891(21)) has been replaced by Resolution A.1079(28), which incorporates the relevant STCW amendments, such as the new environmental awareness and security training. The IMO recommendations form the basis of industry guidance on the training of non-marine personnel on offshore vessels, including IMCA SEL 007.

OSV CHEMICAL CODE

At a meeting in February, IMO continued the drafting of the new OSV Chemical Code for offshore support vessels transporting drilling muds and brines and other bulk liquid chemicals, which will replace the A.673 (LHNS) guidelines. Work will continue throughout 2014, and the next step is to agree the new product limits and which cargoes can be carried.



POLAR CODE

IMO has been developing a mandatory Code for ships operating in polar waters. The Code will replace the existing polar guidelines, and will address everything from design and construction, to training, equipment and operational requirements, to take account of the specific risks of operating in polar waters. Ships intending to operate in the defined waters of the Antarctic and Arctic will be required to apply for a Polar Ship Certificate and carry a Polar Water Operational Manual. The draft Code is due to be approved later this year.

BALLAST WATER

Although it has yet to enter into force, the IMO Ballast Water Management Convention contains fixed application dates from 2009, so to ease implementation IMO has agreed to relax the deadlines for ships constructed before the Convention takes effect. Those ships will now have until their first renewal survey following the date of entry into force to comply with the new requirements.

OFFSHORE VESSEL STANDARDS

In January, IMO continued its discussions on wind farm vessel standards and

whether non-passenger ships should be permitted to carry larger numbers of industrial personnel to their place of work offshore. IMO developed a draft definition of 'industrial personnel', and a workgroup will develop guidance on how that definition can be used in practice. It will also finalise the wind farm vessel guidelines, for further discussion in early 2015.

INTACT STABILITY

IMO has been developing stability criteria and operational guidance for vessels engaged in towing, anchor handling and lifting operations. The work is being finalised by a workgroup, which will consider the lifting proposals, including loss of load criteria in particular, with a view to adoption in 2015.

For more information on IMO issues, please contact emily.comyn@imca-int.com





regional news

ASIA-PACIFIC

As Making Waves goes to print the Asia-Pacific Section meeting is taking place in Kuala Lumpur on 27 February. Barbara de Roo, Chairman of IMCA's Contracts & Insurance Workgroup (of Heerema Marine Contractors), will give a presentation on IMCA's contracting principles.

The afternoon will be rounded off with workshop discussion sessions on the provision of breathing gas to divers and proposed IMCA guidance on fibre ropes.

NOPSEMA

Some time ago the Australian National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority (NOPSEMA) and IMCA agreed that it would be useful to hold bi-annual meetings to facilitate a focused discussion between members and the regulator on specific legislative topics. The objective of the meetings is for the dissemination of general advice on achieving regulatory compliance and communication and sharing of industry best practices to promote safety and environmental responsibility. IMCA and NOPSEMA are planning to arrange a meeting in April.

CENTRAL & NORTH AMERICA

The most recent Central & North America Section meeting took place on 3 December in Houston. Following an IMCA technical and core update and a brief report on the IMCA Vision and Strategy, Kelly McClelland of the Offshore Inspection Group gave an interesting update on the work of the NOSAC Diving Safety SubCommittee. Phil Miller of Subsea 7 provided a topical update on SEMS, and Eric Roan of the Center for Offshore Safety gave a well-received presentation on the same subject. The next meeting takes place at the Westin Memorial City in Houston on Tuesday 18 March, the day before the IMCA safety and environment seminar.

At the end of 2013 IMCA responded to the US Coast Guard's proposals for a SEMS requirement for vessels. The coast guard will now consider all the comments received, but in the meantime a NOSAC Sub-Committee has been set up to provide further input on SEMS / safety management issues for offshore vessels. IMCA has also been participating in the NOSAC Diving Safety SubCommittee reviewing the US commercial diving regulations.

EUROPE & AFRICA

Over 40 delegates and guests attended the first meeting of the IMCA Europe & Africa Section to be held in Germany, in Hamburg, on 28 November. After a brief introductory address from the Chairman Pascal Grosjean, there was a short IMCA update and a review of the IMCA Vision and Strategy. The Europe & Africa update was followed by an offshore renewables seminar (see page 4 for further details).

MIDDLE EAST & INDIA

52 delegates met on 3 February in Dubai for a very well attended first Middle East & India Section meeting of 2014. Members received a full IMCA general update, including a presentation on the IMCA Vision and Strategy. Topical issues were discussed including STCW security training requirements, on-going revision of IMCA DESIGN documents, and safety statistics. Members heard an entertaining presentation on the remarkable Jascon 4 rescue, and a presentation on energy saving and environmental considerations for offshore support vessels.

SOUTH AMERICA

The latest meeting of the South America Section took place in Rio de Janeiro on 27 January, and featured presentations on the IMCA Vision and Strategy and the international maritime rules affecting IMCA and its members. The next meeting is due to take place in Macae, Brazil on 15 May, with a South America Section workshop on personnel and competence issues planned to take place the following day in Buzios, Brazil.





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UPDATES TO TWO KEY IMCA **DIVING PUBLICATIONS**

IMCA D 016

A workgroup has been established to revise IMCA D 016 Rev. 3 - Underwater air lift bags following feedback from members using the guidance for training and operational purposes. A number of significant amendments are likely to be made. One of the main areas of focus for the workgroup will be to explain more clearly the differing purposes of inverter and hold-back lines during parachute bag lifting operations underwater. Revised diagrams will be produced showing the correct arrangement of such lines in an operational context.

In light of research recently carried out by a lift bag manufacturer, the workgroup intends to make recommendations on the strength and type of inverter line ropes that should be used with parachute bags of various sizes. The revised document is also likely to include advice on the correct sequence of actions that should be

followed when rigging and derigging open parachute type lift bags underwater. BM

IMCA D 014

The International Code of Practice for Offshore Diving is one of IMCA's key guidance documents for contractors and clients. It provides advice on ways in which offshore diving operations can be carried out safely and efficiently, and references other IMCA diving guidance documents extensively. Originally published in 1998 and then updated in 2007, IMCA set up a workgroup in 2012 to review and update the document, mainly to reflect changes in IMCA documentation since it was last revised, but also to include more references to diving management and hyperbaric evacuation. After receiving a number of comments as the result of an industry wide consultation, the document has now been finalised and is currently being printed for distribution. IB



Two recent incidents have highlighted the need to remind the diving industry about a couple of safety critical issues.

NECK SEALS

In November, IMCA issued an information note about the risks associated with over tight latex neck seals (IMCA D 14/13). It is feasible that a diver may go for a long period in his career never having seen or used one. Members' attention is drawn to the importance of trimming and correctly fitting the seals. The manufacturer's operations and maintenance manuals make clear the potential detrimental consequences of an over tight neck seal.

VALVE THREADS

A serious incident occurred during the charging of a bailout cylinder (see information note IMCA D 02/14). The cylinder valve failed during the filling process. The investigation found that an imperial threaded valve had been fitted to a metric cylinder and whilst the threads appear similar the consequences are serious if they are used together. It is critical to remind all dive technicians that only threads of the same type and size should be used together. PS

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CMID UPDATE

Development of CMID Issue 9 is well under way, including the proposal to bring back the supplements (removed from issue 6) in some form, along with changes suggested during workshops held throughout 2013. If you have any queries or a suggestion which you think should be considered in the revision, please get in touch with us using the contact details below.

LONDON WORKSHOP

The CMID/Marine Inspection for Small Workboats (MISW) workshop which took place in London on 3 December 2013 was an excellent success with around 60 people in attendance. Lots of feedback was given regarding the CMID and small workboat inspection. One thing which stood out at the workshop was the demand from the industry for the verification/accreditation for offshore vessel inspectors. This is something IMCA has taken on board and is currently investigating.

2014 WORKSHOPS

Further CMID and MISW workshops will be arranged in 2014 as and when demand dictates. Invitations to workshops will be sent out to database users when dates are confirmed. IMCA's database administrator can also provide company specific group workshops if required. If you have any workshop questions please get in touch with gordon.kelly@imca-int.com



One of the targets identified by IMCA's Marine Division Management Committee (MDMC) for the division's 2014 work programme is the revision of IMCA M 166 - Guidance on failure modes and effects analyses (FMEAs).

Considered one of the Marine Division's most important documents, a comprehensive rewrite of it is now required to modernise the content and address the considerable developments in industry practice and changes in regulation since the document was published in April 2002.

Whilst part of the existing document is still valid and can be retained, the update will also add clarity to the retained text and remove any duplication.

The text will be revised in five phases to cover the main aspects of FMEAs, with particular emphasis on FMEAs for DP vessels. The plan for the review is as follows:

- Phase I: DP FMEA methodology
- Phase 2: DP FMEA specifications
- Phase 3: DP FMEA proving trials
- Phase 4: FMEAs for non-redundant systems
- Phase 5: Gap items identified to be included in the new document e.g. FMEA recognised gap analysis methodologies, FMEA limitations etc.

Following the document tendering process, the contract has been awarded and work commenced in January 2014. Owing to the large amount of technical research and the expected size of the document, it is anticipated that the revised document will be available by June 2015. MF



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REVISION OF IMCA M 103

IMCA M 103 - Guidelines for the design and operation of dynamically positioned vessels is being further revised and re-written with a view to publication in Q1 of 2014. In addition to updating the existing guidance, IMCA is considering:

- separating the sections on design and operation;
- basing the design section on IMO MSC/Circ.645 Guidelines for vessels with dynamic positioning systems;
- developing guidance for new vessel types and operations;
- and referencing other guidance available, such as that from the Marine Technology Society.

The revised text will also include guidance on the training and experience of DPOs in outline and on the manning and watch keeping arrangements. More detailed guidance will be contained in IMCA M 117 - The training and experience of key DP personnel, which is also currently being revised. IG



IMCA has recently prepared a document which sets out the DP redundancy concept and example annual trials for a DP class 3 construction vessel. It is intended to be used with IMCA M 190 - Guidance for developing and conducting DP annual trials programme for DP vessels.

The draft document is divided into two parts. The first part describes the DP redundancy concept for a fictitious vessel with a class 3 DP system and identifies the key elements of performance, protection and detection which need to be tested periodically. The importance of each item to be tested is explained to justify

the need for testing. The second part is an IMCA M 190 compliant annual DP trials programme for the vessel. It has been developed from the analysis to demonstrate the range of tests and planned maintenance activities that are required to ensure the redundancy concept is intact and the vessel remains fully fault tolerant in respect to the defined failure criteria for its DP class notation and equipment class.

The draft is currently being reviewed by IMCA's Marine Division Management Committee and should be published shortly. IB



FIBRE ROPE GUIDANCE

The weight, size and complexity of the loads being lifted in the offshore construction industry continue to grow. Lifting slings manufactured with high performance fibres, in an eye-and-eye or endless construction, are increasingly being accepted for use in general purpose and engineered lifting operations.

The industry is strongly requesting more guidance regarding the use of these slings and IMCA is answering its call by developing Guidance on selection, use, inspection & discard of slings made with high-performance fibres intended for engineered and repetitive lifting operations. Work should begin on the guidance in April 2014, after a meeting with the workgroup in March. MF





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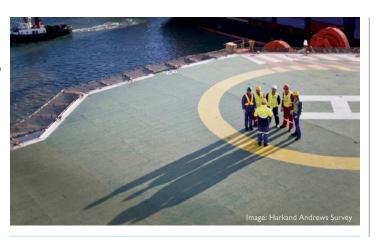
SURVEY PERSONNEL STATISTICS

IMCA has published information note IMCA S 05/13 - Offshore Survey Personnel: Statistics for 2012. This is the third year the exercise has been conducted, and approximately half of IMCA's Offshore Survey contractor members took part. The data collected was not exhaustive and does not represent the entire offshore survey industry, but nevertheless, it provides a snapshot of Offshore Survey personnel employed during 2012.

Collection of data for 2013 is now underway, and an invitation has been sent to representatives of Offshore Survey contractor members. IMCA is collecting two key pieces of data for each survey discipline. These are:

- Company personnel working
- Freelance/agency personnel working or on hire

For more information contact nick.hough@imca-int.com



Some highlights from IMCA S 05/13 - Offshore Survey Personnel: Statistics for 2012

The overall numbers of personnel reported are almost the same as in 2011

IMCA contractor members employ slightly more offshore survey personnel in August than in February, except amongst members of the Middle East & India Section Around 30% of all contractor IMCA members who responded to the questionnaire, and 40% of the employed offshore survey personnel, are in the Europe & Africa Section

Surveyors are most common world-wide (49%), followed by survey engineers (28%) and data processors (13%)



OCEANOLOGY INTERNATIONAL

Once again, IMCA will be out in force this year at Oceanology International, to be held at ExCeL London in March. In addition to the usual stand (S700) where you can drop in for a chat with members of the IMCA secretariat, there will be an IMCA careers morning for students on Thursday 13 March, at which there will be some brief presentations on careers and routes into the industry.

Offshore Survey technical adviser Nicholas Hough will be addressing the "Underwater Positioning and Metrology" strand of the Oceanology conference at 12.30 pm on Tuesday 11 March. He'll be presenting on the IMCA Offshore Survey Division Management Committee – A Brief Work Programme Update. NH





remote systems & rov



ROV TRAINING & COMPETENCE SEMINAR

A joint ROV and Competence & Training half day seminar entitled ROV Training & Competence: Global approach, local delivery will be held from 13:15 on Wednesday 12 March alongside Oceanology in South Gallery Room 10 at ExCeL London. It will include presentations on different aspects of ROV training, showing how it can be global, but with room for local initiatives in delivery.

The four headline presentations will cover:

- ROV training in a contextual experience environment;
- training for the future;
- training delivery around the globe;
- and a syllabus framework for ROV training.

A workshop discussion will follow, focusing on the proposed syllabus, and the seminar will conclude with a round up of the actions agreed.

This is a members' only event, with attendance by registration. Depending on when you receive this newsletter, there may still be time to register for the seminar. If you are interested in doing so, please contact us at events@imca-int.com

PERSONNEL DATA **REQUIRED**

Last year IMCA published information note IMCA R 02/13 - World-wide ROV personnel and vehicles: Statistics for 2012.

Collection of data for 2013 is now underway, and an invitation has been sent to representatives of ROV contractor members. If you would like more information about being involved in the project, please contact nick.hough@imca-int.com

GEORGE ROBERTSON

It is with sadness that IMCA passes on the news of the death of George Robertson of Fugro on 21 December 2013, an experienced ROV professional and former ROV representative on IMCA's Competence & Training Core Committee.







SPOTLIGHT

ASHUTOSH CHAUDHARY

In September 2013, Ashutosh Chaudhary, Managing Director of Marine Engineering Diving Services (MEDS), took on the position of Vice-Chairman of IMCA's Middle East & India Section. In this interview Ashutosh talks about his role at MEDS, issues affecting the industry and his views on how IMCA makes a difference.

Please tell us about your company and what it does?

Marine Engineering Diving Services (MEDS) was founded in 2007 as an offshore diving and inspection company in the UAE and in 2014 we operate as a marine and diving company ready to take any assignment underwater. We also have an independent setup in Singapore, MEDS Pte Ltd. Our activities are primarily focused on subsea activities where we can use our in-house expertise in diving and deploy our marine assets and ROVs. The company operates two DP/DSVs, Altus Exertus and Altus Optimus. In addition, it also has a 12 man sat system, Sat Dhruv, and three portable air dive systems. Our objective is to provide cost effective and technically superior subsea solutions to our customers.

What is your current role?

I am the Managing Director of the company and my core responsibilities include technical up gradation and business development. My role is complemented by Mr Sheldon D'lima as the Group Finance Director and Mr Scott Grady who is the Managing Director Asia-Pacific, based in Singapore.

How did you get to where you are in your career today?

During my college days Information Technology was a popular academic route and I too went for a formal education in the discipline, completing an engineering degree in computer sciences. As most of my family was involved in commercial diving in some way or other, exploring subsea activities became the genetically inclined choice of my career. So I underwent some preliminary training in inspection, repairs and maintenance and then had my first offshore experience on a drill rig as a Report Coordinator.

"Players in the industry should come forward with a collaborative approach"

Later, in 2003, I joined a diving company in India, as Operations Manager. As its CEO I grew the company and made it an overall profitable entity. In 2007 it was time to do something of our own and we set up MEDS in the UAE where we carried out our diving projects and also built our own dive systems. Our ability to provide cost effective and technologically competitive solutions to the oil and gas majors has been the key success factor in our growth.

What do you see as the key areas affecting the industry at the moment?

A lot of people in the past have commented on the availability of skilled resources and I agree with them. More importantly I think it's the challenge for the industry to source competent

personnel from more than one optional location across the globe, as a gap exists in establishing uniform skills due to demographic differentiation.

How can these issues be taken forward?

IMCA could probably take a step further to encourage regulatory bodies to establish authorised or approved diver training centres world-wide that make training, education and competence much more affordable to people and at a proximity to their home town. This will encourage more people to join the profession. Also IMCA could establish bilateral arrangements with other professional bodies, like drilling associations and others, as diving cannot be done in isolation. This will benefit the industry through cross-functional expertise and facilitate better co-ordination when working in diverse teams and create synergy in operational guidelines.

"IMCA guidelines have made a big difference to the industry"

Players in the industry should come forward with a collaborative approach and establish learning centres for the next generation of divers.

How do you think IMCA makes a difference?

IMCA guidelines have made a big difference to the industry and I don't think that can be over emphasised. On a personal level, we have benefited to a great extent in standardising our own work systems by using the IMCA guidelines. These documents deliver focused expertise and have been validated over the course of time.

How do you see the future?

In spite of the ups and downs, and amidst all predictions, I feel the future for the industry is quite promising, especially in South East Asia. Fair competition should be encouraged in the industry and bottlenecks in cash flows should be resolved for smooth sailing of all partners in the value chain.



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12 March 2014
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Houston, USA

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