

About this event

ITAC offers a forum for knowledge sharing and information exchange to support outreach and communication for industry to reach a broad community of stakeholders.

ITAC seeks to “bridge science and response” and share the industry’s perspectives on oil spill science, technology, and operational knowledge with responders, regulatory agencies, academia, and other key stakeholders.

About the venue



Cedre is an internationally recognised centre specialised in accidental water pollution, with nearly 40 years of experience in response support, contingency planning, training, analysis and research. Its multidisciplinary team provides advice and technical expertise to authorities and industry worldwide. With unique facilities including testing laboratories and outdoor tanks, Cedre combines innovation and practical solutions to protect the environment while supporting effective spill preparedness and response.



ITAC 2025 AGENDA

Bridging Science and Response

October 28-30, 2025

CEDRE

Brest, France



Tuesday 28th October

09:00 Registration

09:30 Welcome session, *Rob Holland (OSRL) and Stephane Le Floch (CEDRE)*

10:00 Introduction to CEDRE, *Christophe Logette (CEDRE)*

RESPONDER RETENTION AND WELLBEING

10:20 IOSC mental health survey, *Victoria Broje (Shell)*

10:35 Continuity and retention of response knowledge, Industry SME *Andrew Tucker (bp)*

11:00 Coffee break

ALTERNATIVE FUELS RESPONSE RESEARCH

11:20 LSFO updates including IMAROS 2, *Fanny Chever (CEDRE)*

11:35 ARISE / MANIFESTS, *Thomas LeBihan (CEDRE)*

11:50 Ipieca Marine Spill Group Alternative Fuels Task Force, *Maria Hartley (Chevron & Ipieca Marine Spill Group Chair)*

12:05 UK Spill Alternative Marine Fuel Prep Group, *Mark Orr (UK Spill)*

12:20 Retention of distillate VLSFO in shoreline sediments, *Lee Britton (ECRC)*

12:45 Networking lunch

13:45 CEDRE TOURS

16:00 Shuttle service to hotels

19:00 Evening reception

Wednesday 29th October

09:00 Registration and recap session, *Rob Holland (OSRL)*

SHIPPING RISKS

09:20 Project Tangaroa - legacy sunken vessels, *Polly Hill (Ipieca) and Simon Burnay (Waves Group)*

09:35 Dark fleet risks, *Speaker TBC*

09:50 UK spill risk case study, *Speaker TBC (MCA)*

10:05 MV Delphine case study, *Oliver Timofei & Dirk de Jong (BlueTack)*

10:25 Coffee break

DISPERSANT USE AND RESPONSE

11:15 API Dispersant updates, *Tim Steffek (API)*

11:30 TROPICS 40 preliminary updates, *Paul Schuler (Clean Caribbean Associates) and Abi Renegar (Nova Southeastern University)*

11:45 OSRL monitoring technology update, *Rhea Shears-Burge (OSRL)*

12:00 Subsea mechanical dispersion - SSMD & SSDI, *Per Johan Brandvik (SINTEF)*

12:15 OSRL dispersant updates, *Bryony Wood (OSRL)*

12:35 Networking lunch

PLASTICS RESPONSE

13:35 OSRL field guide, *Rhea Shears-Burge (OSRL)*

13:50 CEDRE field guide, *Camille Lacroix (CEDRE)*

14:05 Post spill impacts of plastic, *Briony Silburn (CEFAS)*

14:20 Current modelling limitations, *Michael Hernandez (OSRL)*

14:35 Case study: MSC Elisa III & ITOPF Nurdle pellet guide, *Sam Durrance (ITOPF)*

14:55 Coffee break

STAKEHOLDER UPDATES

15:20 EMSA, *Marian Cirnat (EMSA)*

15:35 Exercise MASEPOLREX and future East Africa projects, *Romain Chanceler (RLC)*

15:50 NOFO, *Kåre-Ludwig Jørgensen (NOFO)*

16:05 NASEM Gulf-Alaska workshop, *Ed Levine (SS&C, LLC)*

16:20 JNCC Pacific Ocean projects, *Daisy Leadbeater (JNCC)*

16:35 Maritime New Zealand, *Scott Read (MNZ)*

16:50 MPRI & IOSSC 2026, *Ken Lee (MPRI)*

17:00 Feedback and closing session, *Rob Holland (OSRL) and Stephane Le Floch (CEDRE)*

Thursday 30th October

FRENCH NAVY BASE DAY

08:30 Registration at the Navy base

09:00 Safety briefing, *French Navy and CEDRE*

09:00 French Navy base tour *French Navy and CEDRE*

11:15 Shuttle service to hotels

