



The Marine Technology Society

Positioning MTS for the Future

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MTS History

- Founded in June 1963 “to give members of academia, government and industry a common forum for the exchange of ideas”.
- 2007 – major strategic planning process resulted in a plan that answers:
 - Where is MTS going?
 - Why is it going there?



The MTS Mission

“MTS will be the recognized authority and advocate for marine technology.”

- Be a resource of valuable and credible (research-based) information on marine technology.
- Position itself as the leading voice concerning the future of marine technology.
- Develop increased research and data-gathering information on marine technology.
- Understand the views of other key constituents in the marine technology community (private, public, not-for-profit, etc.).



Key Goals

Goal A: MTS will be members' indispensable resource for professional development and knowledge exchange

Goal B: MTS will be the powerful advocate for ocean technology

Goal C: MTS will be recognized by all as the resource for marine technology information and knowledge



Professional Committees

(Technical Interest Groups)

- Industry and Technology - 14 disciplines
- Government and Public Affairs - 5 disciplines
- Education and Research - 7 disciplines



ROV	7.38%
Autonomous Underwater Vehicles	7.09%
Oceanographic Instrumentation	5.58%
Buoy Technology	4.96%
Offshore Structures	4.85%
Ocean Exploration	4.45%
Manned Underwater Vehicles	4.25%
Remote Sensing	4.16%
Cables & Connectors	4.13%
Seafloor Engineering	4.06%
Physical Oceanography & Meteorology	3.95%
Marine Education	3.90%
Diving	3.75%
Moorings	3.69%

Deepwater Field Development Tech.	3.00%
Dynamic Positioning	2.96%
Marine Archaeology	2.87%
Marine Security	2.66%
Marine Materials	2.66%
Ropes & Tension Members	2.56%
Marine Law & Policy	2.34%
Ocean Pollution	2.32%
Ocean Economic Potential	1.90%
Renewable Energy	1.68%
Mineral Resources	1.66%
Marine Geodetic Information	1.29%
Underwater Imaging	5.24%
Ocean Observing Systems	0.68%



Sections

Canadian Maritime	0.59%
Florida	5.02%
Gulf Coast	5.39%
Hampton Roads	1.17%
Hawaii	2.90%
Houston	32.86%
Japan	2.24%
Monterey	3.19%
New England	7.63%
Puget Sound	7.44%
San Diego	5.21%
Korea	0.73%
Washington DC	9.61%



Student Sections

Duke University

Florida Atlantic University

Florida Institute of Technology

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Monterey Peninsula College

Texas A&M College Station

Texas A&M Galveston

University of Hawaii

University of Southern Mississippi



Member Benefits

- *MTS Journal*
- *Currents* Newsletter
- e-News
- Networking & Education (conferences, committees & sections)
- Membership Directory
- Career and Professional Advancement
- Speakers and Experts Database

Conferences

- Oceans MTS/IEEE conferences
- Offshore Technology Conference
- Underwater Intervention Conference
- Dynamic Positioning Conference
- Workshops (buoy technology, cables & connectors, ropes & tension members, marine archeology)





Potential Society Roles in Certification

- Targeting of member needs
- Development of certification segments and questions
- Monitoring effectiveness of measurement
- Maintaining certification lists
- Clarifying liability issues
- Serve as issuing agent



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Comments & Questions

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