



13th Offshore Jack Up Middle East (OJME) 2025

International Conference & Exhibition

Resilient, Responsive, Ready: Jack-Ups for a dynamic offshore future
29 – 30 September, 1 October 2025, Hilton Dubai Palm Jumeirah
Dubai, UAE

29th September: 7 PM – OJME Awards & Dinner

Conference Agenda

Day one: 30th September

08:00 AM - Registration Tea / Coffee

08:50 AM - Moderator announcement

Inaugural Session

09:30 AM – Keynote Speech: Markus DeJonge, VP, Offshore Mobile Solutions, Project & Subsea, ADNOC L&S

09:50 AM – Special Address: Torgeir Sterri - Senior VP and Director of Offshore Classification, DNV

10:10 AM – Special Address – Dr. Mohamed Farouk, Group CEO, ADES

10:30 AM – Oddmund Fore, Partner & Head of Shipping and Offshore, Rystad Energy

11 AM – Tea / Coffee Refreshments

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM: Panel Discussion - The global energy system and the implication for shallow water drilling

- Energy transition vs. energy addition as global demand for liquids is growing.
- What is OPECs role in a world that needs more investments in legacy activity?
- How can the Middle East balance the production efficiency increase with the integration of decarbonization technologies?
- How are the shallow water drillers positioned to take on the challenges ahead?

Moderator: Oddmund Fore, Oddmund Føre, Partner & Head of Shipping and Offshore, Rystad Energy

Panellist

- Ian Edwards, Regional Manager, Middle East & Africa, DVN Maritime
- Randeep Gandhi, Chief Operating Officer & Director, Drilling, Foresight Offshore Drilling Limited S.A.
- Alok Jha, VP, Borr Drilling Middle East
- Rahul Mehrotra, Director Marketing, Shelf Drilling

12:30 PM – Hybrid Energy Solutions: Leveraging Energy Storage Systems for Backup Power and Generator Optimization - Yahya Hashemian, Founder and CEO, Verge Technologies

1 PM – Lunch



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2 PM – IoT & Digitalization for operational excellence - Wey Lii, Senior Vice President (IT Digital), Seatrrium

2:20 PM – Innovation in Jack Up Barge design - Nandlal Aher, Managing Partner, Navitera

02:40 PM – Multipurpose Jackup Barge: Enabling Intervention, Decommissioning, and Accommodation in One Platform - Howell "HL" Poole, Director - Oil & Gas, Friede & Goldman, Ltd.

3:00 PM – Tea / Coffee Refreshments

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM – Panel Discussion

Offshore logistics in oil and gas - Integrating Operational Excellence and Sustainability

Discover how logistics innovation is powering the offshore energy transition. With global pressure mounting on energy producers to reduce emissions and optimize operations, offshore logistics has become a strategic function. Panel will have experts and operators come together to redefine offshore logistics through a dual lens of operational excellence and environmental responsibility.

Moderator: Capt. Abhay Nimbalkar, CEO, Greenfield Marine Technologies

Panellist:

- Mohammed Al Kaabi, Vice President, Logistics, Logistics Division, ADNOC Offshore
- Pankaj Kankan, Project Director, P&O Maritime
- Simon King, Senior HSEQ Manager - Stanford Marine & Allianz Middle East Ship Management
- Markus DeJonge, VP, Offshore Mobile Solutions, Project & Subsea, ADNOC L&S

04:30 PM – Refreshments & Close of Day one.

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Day two: 1st October

08:00 AM – Registration Tea / Coffee

09:30 AM – Advancing Safety and Sustainability in Oil & Gas Sector with Glass Reinforced Plastic (GRP) - Kevin Webb, Managing Director, Vital GRP

09:50 AM – AI Opportunities for Jack-Up Rig Operations and Asset Management: Unlocking Compliance, Efficiencies, and Value - Chimbu Vazhoor, Vice President Global Business, Wrench Solutions

10:10 AM – Analysing Structural Deformation with Laser Scan: From Data Acquisition to Actionable Insight - John Vitu, Jacking Solutions

10:40 AM – AI-Driven Object Detection in Pre-Jackup Surveys - Dr. Vani Jayanthi, Product Manager – GIS & Spatial Intelligence, Darkocean & Neha Supekar, AI Solutions Architect, Darkocean

11:00 AM – Refreshments

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM Panel Discussion:

Simulators, Scenarios & Skills: Closing the Offshore Competency Gap and Tackling Skills Shortages

As offshore operations grow more complex, bridging skills gaps and ensuring crews meet evolving competency standards is critical. This session explores how operators and contractors are using simulators, scenario-based exercises, digital tools, dashboards, and structured knowledge transfer to capture and share operational experience, enable crews to make faster, safer decisions, and support upskilling initiatives that reduce operational risk and save costs.

Moderator: Mark Smith, Head of Commercial, Asia, Middle East & Africa (AMEA), Maersk Training

01:00 PM – Lunch

02:00 PM – MODU to MOPU Ways & Values - Ajai Peters, Director, Technical Services, Zentech Inc.

02:20 PM – Vivek Balagopal, Wartsila Marine

02:40 PM – DNV

03:00 PM – Tea / Coffee Break



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03:30 PM – GustoMSC NOV

03:50 PM – Sustainability and Environment Impact Reduction Strategies - Keyur
Athaide, Marketing Manager, Drydocks World

04:10 PM – Energy efficiency for Jack-ups - Manoj Tripathi, Advisor, COO, Cyanergy

04:30 PM – Vote of thanks

04:45 PM – Refreshment & close of day two and end of the conference

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**TBA – Topics are under approval*

**The above time slots are indicative & are subject to change*

Managing corrosion challenges on a Jack Up

Moving a jack-up rig - Towing and operating jack-up rigs
to mitigate risks and ensure successful operations.