



## ICPC News Release

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### 2015 ICPC Plenary Supported by Key Industry Players

LYMINGTON, United Kingdom—The [International Cable Protection Committee](#) (ICPC) will be holding its **2015 Plenary** over 28-30, April 2015 at Le Méridien Cyberport in Telegraph Bay, Hong Kong. With the central theme, *Enhancing Submarine Cable Security and Co-operation in Balance with the Environment*, the Plenary will provide a valuable meeting point for all sectors of the submarine cable industry to gather and exchange ideas in a region steeped in submarine cable history and rooted in 21st century technological development.

The Plenary is an apt setting for such timely discussions. The installation of submarine power cables is growing rapidly as nations turn to the generation of offshore renewable energy to meet increasing demand, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and obtain secure energy supplies. Likewise, submarine telecommunications cables are now the planet's electronic backbone carrying over 95% of international voice and data traffic—everything from e-mails to downloaded movies. Protection and effective operation of this critical infrastructure is essential in the face of encroaching legislation, increasing offshore activities and environmental change. With over half the world's population located in Asia and with direct access to a large proportion of the world's international submarine cables, the ICPC Plenary is perfectly situated to support the regional interests of those who rely so heavily on such critical infrastructure for commerce, information and power.

ICPC is proud to announce that the following organisations will be directly supporting this year's plenary: [EGS \(Asia\) Ltd](#) and [Huawei Marine Networks Co., Limited](#) who will be co-hosting the event and [Alcatel-Lucent Submarine Networks](#) who will be sponsoring the Welcome Reception on the evening of 27<sup>th</sup> April. ICPC is also appreciative of the local assistance provided by EGS (Asia) Ltd in identifying the historically located conference venue and arranging the Networking Reception at the Hong Kong Maritime Museum on 29<sup>th</sup> April. ICPC is also grateful to Huawei Marine and Alcatel-Lucent Submarine Networks for their support.

#### **About the supporting organisations:**

**EGS** is the leading independent provider of survey services to the Submarine Telecommunications Industry and has offices in Europe, Americas, Australia and throughout South East Asia from its regional hub in Hong Kong. EGS provides global specialist multi-disciplinary marine survey services from a platform of six dedicated survey vessels strategically located around the globe. In 2014, EGS

celebrated 40 years of submarine survey services and completed a milestone of 350,000 km of cable route surveys during the Groups first complete Transatlantic Cable Route Survey.

**Huawei Marine Networks Co., Limited (Huawei Marine)** is a joint venture established by Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd. and Global Marine Systems Limited. Bringing together the industry leader in optical transmission expertise and over 160 years of marine engineering excellence of the two parent organizations, Huawei Marine integrates innovative products and state-of-the-art technologies to provide highly reliable, cost-effective network solutions to the global telecommunications and oil and gas industries.

**Alcatel-Lucent Submarine Networks** is a fully integrated provider of turnkey submarine network solutions from traditional telecom to new Oil & Gas applications, leading the industry in terms of capacity and installed base with more than 575,000 km of optical submarine cables/systems deployed worldwide. An extensive service portfolio completes its comprehensive offering for the submarine business, including project management, installation and commissioning and marine operations and maintenance performed by its fleet of seven cable ships.

**About the International Cable Protection Committee (ICPC):**

ICPC was formed in 1958 and its primary goal is to promote the safeguarding of international submarine cables against man-made and natural hazards. The organisation provides a forum for the exchange of technical, legal and environmental information about submarine cables and, with 145 members from over 60 nations, including cable operators, owners, manufacturers, industry service providers, as well as governments, it is the World's premier submarine cable organisation. For further information about ICPC and its upcoming Plenary in Hong Kong visit: [www.iscpc.org](http://www.iscpc.org) or send an e-mail to: [secretary@iscpc.org](mailto:secretary@iscpc.org).

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