## ROV CURRICULUM WORKSHOP

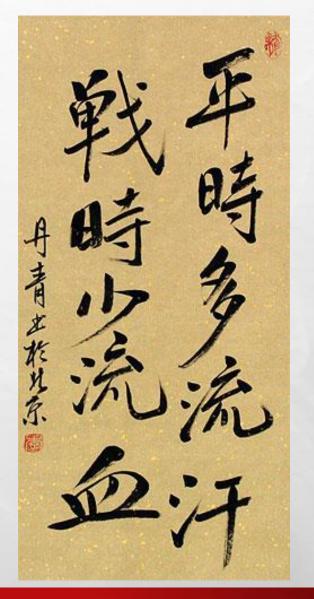
MATE

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### **CHINESE PROVERB:**

- MORE SWEAT IN TRAINING
- LESS BLEEDING IN BATTLE



#### **PREMISE**

- ROV INDUSTRY NEEDS WELL-TRAINED TECHNICIANS
  - DISCUSSIONS WITH ROV OPERATORS
  - IMCA REPORTS
  - BRAZIL, WEST AFRICA, NORTH SEA...
  - HIGH DEMAND
- INADEQUATE SUPPLY OF ROV TECHNICIANS
  - JOB ADS
  - LOW SUPPLY



### HIGH DEMAND + LOW SUPPLY





### **INADEQUATE LABOUR SUPPLY COSTS**

- INABILITY TO RESPOND TO OPPORTUNITIES IN TIMELY FASHION
- OVERTIME COSTS
- OVERWORK FOR A FEW
- HIGHER WAGES
- COMPANIES RAID EACH OTHER FOR SKILLED PERSONNEL
- LOWER PROFITABILITY
- LACK OF YOUNG BLOOD TO FILL GROWTH NEEDS
- POOR ADVANCEMENT PROSPECTS (NEED REPLACEMENTS)

### **SOLUTION... TRAINING**

- TRAIN NEW ROV TECHNICIANS, INCREASE SUPPLY
- ISSUES
  - ATTRACT YOUNG PEOPLE TO INDUSTRY (MATE)
  - KNOWLEDGEABLE TRAINERS
  - FACILITIES
  - EQUIPMENT
  - MONEY
- "IT TAKES A VILLAGE"
  - ACADEMIA, GOVERNMENT, INDUSTRY



# STANDARD CAREER DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

**School** 

**Specialized Education/Training** 

First Job in Field

Career

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Career



- CATCH 22...
  - NO JOB WITHOUT EXPERIENCE BUT CAN'T GET EXPERIENCE WITHOUT JOB
- BARRIERS
  - GOVERNMENT PROTECTIONISM AFFECTS A GLOBAL INDUSTRY
  - LIMITED BERTH SPACE
  - PENNY-WISE, POUND-FOOLISH (COSTS TOO MUCH TO TRAIN PROPERLY)

# HOW DOES A YOUNG PERSON GET STARTED IN ROV INDUSTRY?

- AGAIN, IT TAKES A VILLAGE
  - ACADEMIA
  - GOVERNMENT
  - INDUSTRY
- WHO GAVE YOU A BREAK FOR YOUR FIRST JOB?



### **ROV TECHNICIAN SKILLS**

- ROVS INCORPORATE A BROAD RANGE OF SYSTEMS
  - ELECTRICAL/ELECTRONICS MAINTENANCE/REPAIR
  - MECHANICAL/HYDRAULIC MAINTENANCE/REPAIR
- ROV OPERATIONS
- TEAMWORK
- COMMUNICATION SKILLS
- ATTITUDE
  - SAFETY
  - CAN-DO!, ENTHUSIASTIC
  - GET ALONG WITH OTHERS PERSONALITY
- MUCH MORE THAN JUST PILOTING!



### EDUCATION, TRAINING, OR BOTH

- ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN TRAINING IN CANADA
  - TYPICALLY TWO YEARS
  - INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATION
    - DUBLIN ACCORD AUSTRALIA, CANADA, IRELAND, KOREA, NEW ZEALAND, SOUTH AFRICA, UNITED KINGDOM, UNITED STATES.
- PRACTICAL SKILLS COUPLED WITH THEORY



### MI ROV TECHNICIAN TRAINING (2-YEARS)



35 wks

Fundamentals

• Intro to ROV, Comm. Skills, Math, Physics, Electronics/Electrical, Drawing, Oceanography

30 wks

ROV Operations, Maintenance

Controls, Hydraulics, HV Safety, Data Comms., Acoustics, LARS, Ship/ROV Interaction

4 wks

Pilot Training

Simulation, Flume Tank, Dockside/Open ocean

2 wks

Safety Training

• BST, H2S, WHMIS, First Aid

8 wks

• Work Term- 320 hours

# MI ROV TRAINING PROGRAM STATUS

- **✓ OPERATIONAL SINCE 2006**
- **✓ FACULTY, FACILITIES, EQUIPMENT, GOVT. SUPPORT**
- **√** 30-40 NEW STUDENTS EACH YEAR
- **✓ INTERNATIONAL STUDENT BODY**
- **✓ LADDERING TO BACHELOR/MASTERS DEGREES**
- **✓ SEEKING ACCREDITATION/CERTIFICATION**
- **✓ POSITIVE RESPONSE ON PLACED GRADUATES**
- CHALLENGE: WORK TERM PLACEMENT
  - NEED COOPERATION... ACADEMIA, INDUSTRY, GOVERNMENT



### **ROV TRAINING VISION...**

- ESTABLISH A GLOBAL STANDARD FOR ROV TECHNICIAN TRAINING
- ESTABLISH A NETWORK OF ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS DELIVERING ROV TRAINING
  - SHARE CURRICULUM
  - SHARE BEST PRACTICES
- WORKING WITH INSTITUTIONS IN BRAZIL, USA
- IN DISCUSSION WITH UK, NORWAY



#### **BRAZIL EXAMPLE**

- LARGE OFFSHORE DEVELOPMENT (PRE-SALT)
  - DEEP WATER (ROV INSTALLATION & MAINTENANCE)
- BRAZIL WANTS TO MAXIMIZE LOCAL CONTENT BUT...
  - INSUFFICIENT TRAINED ROV TECHNICIANS
- APPROACH
  - PARTNER WITH USP FOR JOINT PROGRAM DELIVERY
  - TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER TO ENABLE USP TO DELIVER WHEN READY
- STATUS
  - AWAITING FUNDING CONFIRMATION



## DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS

