
Long-Term Environmental Vision for Ultra-Deepwater Exploration and Production Research Forum

**Texas A&M University/Global Petroleum Research Institute,
Houston Advanced Research Center & RPSEA**

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4800 Research Forest Dr., The Woodlands, Texas

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PRELIMINARY AGENDA

8:30 – 8:55 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast

- 8:55 a.m. Welcome/Introduction, RPSEA Background and Forum Objectives and Agenda
C. Michael Ming, RPSEA
- 9:00 a.m. Setting the Table – What else is going on? What is it like on the ocean floor?
Greg Boland, Minerals Management Service
Dr. Mark Benfield, Louisiana State University
Dr. Ian MacDonald, Texas A&M University Corpus Christi
- 10:15 a.m. Networking Break
- 10:30 a.m. Simulating Vortex Induced Vibration of Risers – What’s going on?
Dr. Sumanta Acharya, Louisiana State University
- 11:00 a.m. Produced Water in the Deep Water – What Happens?
Dr. Quenton Dokken, Gulf of Mexico Foundation, Inc.
- 11:30 a.m. On-Site Lunch/Networking
- 12:30 How Does the Ocean Floor Respond to Discharge?
John Vivic, Shell Exploration and Production
Al Hart, Continental Shelf Associates
- 1:30 p.m. What’s DeepStar up (or down) to and how does it play?
Chris Haver, DeepStar
- 2:00 p.m. Roundtable Discussion
- 2:30 p.m. Adjourn
- 3-5 p.m. RPSEA Ultra-Deepwater Solicitation Process Overview