

Canadian Underwater Conference & Exhibition

- MAN & MACHINE UNDERWATER -

2026 SPEAKER GUIDELINES

If you would like to speak please send a 100-word abstract of your proposed presentation to the Conference Producer (Jonathan Chapple, email: jonathanchapple1@gmail.com). Abstracts should include a content summary, your title, name, affiliation, and should specify the presentation format.

The Conference Committee will make the final selection. If your proposal is accepted, we will require an electronic copy of your complete presentation. Presentations may be sent either by email to jonathanchapple1@gmail.com or by fax to 902-826-2191 (marked for attention of Jonathan Chapple).

To ensure that you have a copy that will work with our equipment, please bring a copy of your PowerPoint slides, if applicable, on a thumb drive (USB) with you.

Participants may speak either from their own notes or with the assistance of a Power Point presentation.

Timing

Speakers are encouraged to limit their presentation to 20-25 minutes in order to allow for a 5-10 minute Q&A period. If your presentation requires additional time, please contact the Conference Producer to discuss the possibility of a longer time slot.

Please remember that your presentation time is 30 minutes only (including time for questions). We ask that you keep to this in order not to disadvantage other speakers or the running of the Conference.

'No Product Promotion Allowed' Policy

The Conference Committee prefers that presentations are suitably neutral or agnostic in nature and do not promote specific equipment brands or models (i.e. "infomercials") although this is obviously not possible in every case, especially if you are presenting cutting-edge technology. Please contact the Conference Producer if there is any doubt or if advice is required.

Registration

All Speakers receive a complimentary full registration package including the Welcome Reception (Sunday evening), exhibits, presentations, one ticket to the Awards Dinner (Monday evening), and breakfasts & lunches (Monday and Tuesday).

All Speakers will be registered for the Conference by DCBC staff so no further action is required after your abstract is approved. Your name badge will be available for pick up from the Conference Registration Desk after 1200 on Sunday 22 March 2026. Also, please ensure that you check in with the Conference Producer.

Biography

You will be asked to provide a brief biography for use in introducing you prior to your presentation (please specify your preferred prefix/name/title/affiliation).