

## Royal Norwegian Navy, Italian Navy and French Navy, unveil their OPV capabilities in London this June

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LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM, May 12, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- SMi Group is delighted to announce new additions to the Offshore Patrol Vessel Technology's expert speaker line-up: Lieutenant Commander Bard Hess, Navigation Systems Branch of the Royal Norwegian Navy and Commander Massimo Gardini, Head EW Office of the Italian Navy. For more information about this event please visit

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In his presentation, Lieutenant Commander Hess will speak about his experience protecting Norwegian interests in the North Sea and Arctic Oceans, adopting flexible requirements for peace



and wartime missions, overcoming the challenges of policing the Norwegian economic exclusive zone and utilising OPV technologies to maximize maritime environment protection.

Commander Gardini will present on PPA OPV's bringing in new capabilities to the Italian Navy. The Commander will discuss the Italian Navy's ability to support operations abroad with cheaper and more flexible patrol vessels, the technical requirements for future Italian OPV designs and the ability of the PPA platform to deploy abroad in support of Maritime Constabulary missions.

The <u>expert speaker line up</u> for 2016 also includes key decision makers from: US Africa Command, UK Border Force, French Navy, NATO, Italian Navy, Royal Norwegian Navy, Finnish Border Guard, TNO, Damen Shipyards, C-SIGMA and IISS.

The 2-day event agenda focuses on new technologies available to OPV using nations across Europe and beyond, and includes briefings from leading Navy and Coast Guard officers from around the world. Event attendees will learn about current and future national OPV platforms and how they enhance maritime security, from the leading experts in the field.

In addition, attendees will get the opportunity to hear from other senior technical and operational experts, and one of the world's biggest OPV designers and producers, for Maritime Defence and Law Enforcement organisations around the world, to share information and facilitate debate on how best to

enhance OPV operations through advanced future technologies.

The programme also features interactive expert led panel discussions on international cooperation in operations and the future prospect for modular technologies.

Just some of the organisations who have confirmed their attendance include: OEM, Polaris Sensor Technologies, Inc, Weibel Scientific A/S, Insitu and Mabox Marine.

The event is proudly sponsored by Chess Dynamics and supported by: Seguranca Defesa, Port News, Homeland Security Research, The Nautical Institute, Marinetime Security Review, SAMI, Harbours Review, Armed Forces and many more.

For further information on the conference, visit the event website http://www.offshorepatrol.co.uk/einpresswire

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