

Annual Report for AGM 2018



NOSP remains in growth both in terms of overall membership and event attendance.

For 2018, a total of 14 companies sponsored NOSP. This was our lowest sponsorship level since our inception, but thanks to a balance carried from previous years, was sufficient to provide funds to conduct the evening events (including location fee and finger food), administrative expenses (website / email / accountancy etc.), speaker gifts, and other running expenses. The board is run entirely on a volunteer basis and no compensation is offered to board members or speakers.

The 2018 corporate sponsors were: Clinton, DeepOcean, DOF Subsea, EIVA, Equinor, Fugro Norway, IXBlue, Kongsberg Maritime, MMT, Oceaneering, RTS, Subsea 7, UTEC, and UTM Consultants.

Thanks to the financial support of our corporate sponsors, becoming a member of NOSP and attendance at our events is free and requires only e-mail registration. The membership list grew from 277 to 343 during 2018. A feedback survey was conducted in January 2019 (see details below).

At our evening events (details below) the attendance has varied between approximately 25 – 60 people. The evening events in Stavanger were held at the Irishman pub, in Bergen at Litteraturhuset, and in Oslo at Håndverkeren. In addition, we collaborated with RTS for the fourth year in a row at their annual Subsea Innovation Day in Åkrehamn. This event drew more than 80 people in 2018.

The AGM was conducted 26th April 2018. Stig Øvstedal stepped down as chairman of the board. Paul Raistrick was elected to the board and Celina Thom assumed the chairmanship. The 2018 board consisted of the following volunteers: Celina Thom, Martin Wikmar, Elizabeth Swann, John Vint, Trond Hagland, Hanne Taarland, and Paul Raistrick. 9 board meetings were held in 2018 (via skype).

Presenter gifts have remained unchanged since 2015. Crystal whiskey glasses with the NOSP logo. The same gift is also offered to off-signers from the board. The board approved an additional gift to the off-signing chairman in appreciation for his role of NOSP founder in the form of a 2000 NOK gift card from Norwegian Airlines.

The Annual Corporate Dinner was held on November 22nd at Renaa in Stavanger. 57 guests attended the dinner following the evening's presentations at Irishman (up from 47 in 2017).

Looking ahead, the NOSP board is pleased to announce expansion to a new location. We will hold our first event in Trondheim on June 6th, 2019. We have previously held the June event in Oslo, but will now do so in January. The board has committed to renewed investment in our role to represent the survey industry to students and young people. Due to a variety of factors (including the industry downturn), NOSP has not been present at universities since 2016 but plans to set aside funds to do so in 2020. We are expanding the autumn event in Bergen to include hardware demos. And finally, we are moving our Annual Corporate Dinner to a new location in 2019 as our attendance numbers have outgrown the space available at Renaa (which has hosted the dinner since 2015).

Welcome to another great year!

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Topics and Presenters from the Evening Events, 2018:

22.11.2018 (Stavanger, and Annual Corporate Dinner)

Deep Sea Exploration – Discovering Future Resources, by Lars-Kristian Lunde Trellevik, K.G. Jebsen Center for Deep Sea Research

Tight Coupling? by James Titcomb, IxBlue

Next Generation IMR AUV, by Arne Kjørsvik, Eelume

18.10.2018 (Bergen)

Global Macro Outlook and Implications for Offshore Service Market by Magnus Kjemphol Lohne of Rystad Energy

Use of Autonomous Technologies for Mapping Seabed Minerals by Antonio Canas of Swire Seabed

06.09.2018 (Åkrehamn, Subsea Innovation Day)

3D Contactless Inspection by Jonathan Morvan, Comex Innovation and Rich Lear, DOF Subsea

Shell Ocean Discovery XPRIZE by Steve Keedwell, Shell

3D Subsea LIDAR by Neil Manning, 3D at Depth

14.06.2018 (Oslo)

UXO Survey, Just a Survey by Martin Wikmar, Clinton Marine Survey

Development and Lessons Learned from our Projects by Åsa Lemoine, Nexans Norway

Surveys from the larger pictures to the tiny details with FiGS and Advanced Subsea Inspection by Pål Tuset, FORCE Technology

26.04.2018 (Stavanger, and Annual General Meeting)

3D laser scanning for the Johan Sverdrup-project by Kim Thunold, Parker Maritime

Cloud based storage by Terje H Pedersen, Kongsberg Maritime

Rig move positioning by John Vint, Fugro Norway

22.03.2018 (Bergen)

Managing Survey Weather Risk with Big Data Analysis Online by Jerome Cuny, Open Ocean SAS

E39 Fjord Crossings – Survey and Geotechnical Investigations by Dag Schouw-Hansen, Fugro Norway AS

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18.01.2018 (Stavanger)

Future of Drones & Asset Management Strategies by Huw Scott and Øyvind Ingemundsen, Astralution

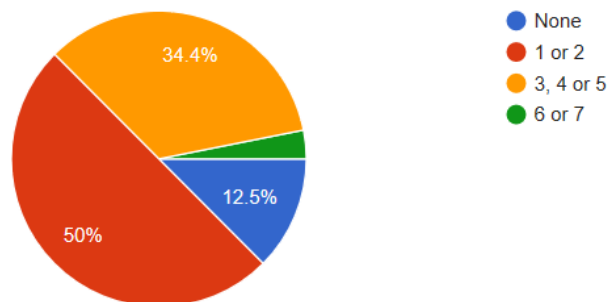
Autonomous Surveys – a first year’s experience by Duncan Mallace, 4D Ocean

The hunt for the origin of the kingdom of Norway by Sigbjørn Daasvatn, Stiftelsen Funn i Hafrsfjord

Membership Survey, Feedback on 2018:

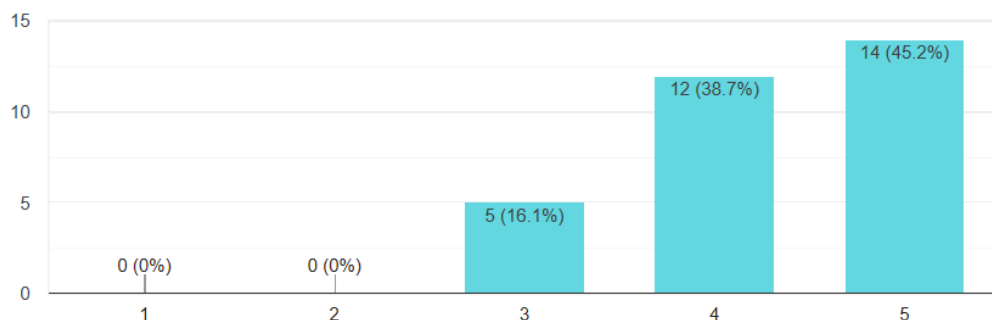
How many events did you attend in 2018?

32 responses



Overall, I enjoyed the event(s) I attended, and would encourage others to come.

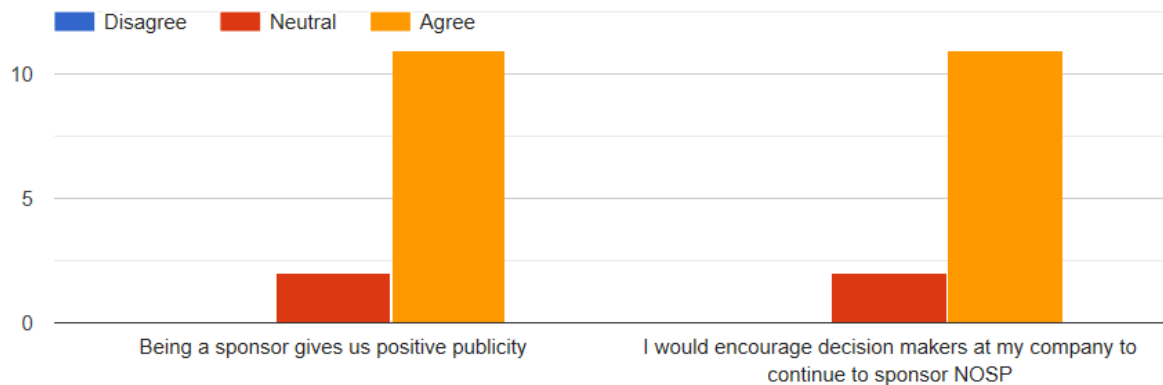
31 responses



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Do you agree or disagree with these statements?



“What could we do differently so you would join us at more events?”

Nothing :) I wish I was able to join more often

Pre-publish the dates for the whole year as soon as possible in the outlook invitation. This enable us to pre-plan and avoid meeting collision.

More people, more networking - perhaps slightly fewer events?

More local meetings

More in Oslo

Have more in Bergen=), But I suppose that is not really a realistic option! Its hard to travel for the events, I don't know if my company would support it and its hard to leave the family more than I "have to"!

Less of the blatant sales pitching by some of the presentation stalwarts.

less commercially oriented presentation

As i live in Oslo I would appreciate more event in this area and would most likely attend.

More events in Oslo, alternatively videoconference

OK, as is

Have more events in Oslo

Also include Haugesund on the list of event cities

Nice

Only our bad consciouness of not attending more - we will improve !

Please find a different place than Rena for the annual dinner. The acoustics are terrible and you can hardly hear the person sitting next to you . But the food is nice there 😊

I really enjoy the NOSP events, and there is a growing sense of a community. Thanks for all the great work you do to keep it going!

Keep up the great work, thank you for the time and effort you put into NOSP! =)

engage students more!

Good job. Keep up the good work.

diverge a little from just oil..consider some land survey based technical presentation

Too few meetings in Oslo, and all in June - this year when we had our summer party ...