

## **9. interim Industrial Liaison Panel (iILP)**

**9.1 General Purpose:** To facilitate ongoing communication and cooperative scientific activities between IODP and selected industries, with the goal of benefiting IODP science and technology and maximizing economic benefits from sharing resources, such as drilling of sites for shared scientific and technical goals, development of joint drilling and sampling technologies, and the development of improved downhole measurement and observatory capabilities. Industrial sectors of interest include oil & gas companies (e.g., offshore deepwater technology, petroleum geology, and engineering), mining (e.g., understanding potential economic targets), microbiology (e.g., development of new enzymes, etc.), insurance industry (e.g., hazards and climate predictions) and research and development organizations in these fields.

**9.2 Mandate:** The iILP will:

- Develop effective links between academic and industry scientists with mutual research, technical, and engineering interests,
- Identify barriers to industry participation in IODP and recommend solutions for overcoming these barriers,
- Develop mechanisms for sharing industry data, expertise, and resources between IODP and industry scientists,
- Act as the liaison group for IODP to industry and selected industry associations, and promote IODP educational and outreach activities within selected industry professional organizations,
- Assist with the identification of scientists and engineers from industry to serve on panels, committees and working groups of IODP,
- Define industrial priority research within the IODP context and facilitate communication and cooperative scientific and technical development activities between IODP and industry,
- Assist iPC in the establishment of interim Detailed Planning Groups for complex multiple-platform, multiple-leg drilling programs and/or interim Program Planning Groups as needed.

**9.3 Meetings:** The iILP should meet twice per year. The iILP may hold its meetings separately or in conjunction with other iSAS panels or professional societies as appropriate.

**9.4 Membership:** The iILP will consist of 15 members representing as many IWG member nations as possible to maintain reasonable size and balance of expertise and research interests, with an ideal goal of about two thirds of the members from industry and one third from academia. Nominations will be solicited from the JOIDES and OD21 science advisory structures, industry colleagues, and national ODP offices. The iPC Co-chairs will consult the iILP Chair and recommend candidates for membership as needed. Academic iILP members should have experience in scientific ocean drilling and scientific expertise related to industry interests or else an active involvement in academic/industrial collaborations. The iPC will approve the iILP membership.

**9.5 Liaisons:** To ensure that iILP members stay fully apprised of the scientific objectives of the IODP as well as the progress of the scientific programs, the iPC Co-chairs or their designates will brief the iILP at least once per year on the status of the science program. In addition, the iILP should establish liaisons with the iSSEPs and the iPC.

**9.6 Chair:** The iPC will appoint the iILP Chair.