G-NAOE 2026

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Hyatt Regency Houston West, Houston, Texas, USA

Hosted by

The Society of Naval Architects of Korea (SNAK)

ABS American Bureau of Shipping (ABS)

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G-NAOE 2026 Organization Committee

Invitation Message

"Redefining Marine Engineering for a Changing World"

The Global Conference on Naval Architecture and Ocean Engineering 2026 (G-NAOE 2026) will take place at the Hyatt Regency Houston West, Houston, Texas, USA, from October 20 (Tue.) to October 24 (Sat.), 2026. Now in its third edition, G-NAOE is co-hosted by the Society of Naval Architects of Korea (SNAK) and the American Bureau of Shipping (ABS).

G-NAOE 2026 will provide a premier forum for sharing knowledge and presenting the latest developments in shipbuilding and marine engineering. By bringing together leaders from academia, research institutes, industry, classification societies, and regulatory authorities, the conference aims to strengthen collaboration, advance innovation, and support the sustainable future of marine engineering in a changing global landscape.

Conference Chair

Inwon LEE, Pusan National University, Republic of Korea

Conference Co-Chair

Patrick RYAN, ABS, USA

Featured Programs

OCEAN CTO FORUMS

This session will feature the Chief Technology Officers of Korea's three major shipbuilders under the theme *"Redefining Marine Engineering for a Changing World."* Attendees will gain exclusive insights into the technological vision and strategic roadmaps of these leading industry innovators.

EMERGING TOPICS

Global leaders and institutions in Naval Architecture, Ocean Engineering, and Ocean Safety will convene to organise the relevant session. Distinguished researchers and scholars will present pioneering advancements and specialized developments shaping the future of the maritime industry.

Topics for Technical Sessions

1. Alternative Fuel
2. Ship Performance
3. Decarbonization
4. Marine Structures and Materials
5. Maritime Autonomous Surface Ships
6. AI & Digitalization
7. Marine Resources & Renewable Energy
8. Design & Production of Marine Systems

Notice to Authors

Outstanding papers selected from the G-NAOE 2026 Technical Sessions will undergo an additional peer-review process for publication in the *International Journal of Naval Architecture and Ocean Engineering (IJNAOE, Impact Factor: 3.9).* The IJNAOE is ranked in the 1st Quartile of the Marine Engineering category in the 2024 JCR.

Timeline Leading to the Conference

Abstract Submission	Pre-registration	Announcement
February 28 2026	July 31 2026	August 15 2026

Summary on Previous G-NAOE Conferences

G-NAOE 2022	**Theme :** Smart Technology into Green Ocean
	Venue : Changwon, Republic of Korea
	Co-hosted by Korean Register(KR)
G-NAOE 2024	**Theme :** Riding the Smart Wave for a Safer Ocean
	Venue : Southampton, UK
	Co-hosted by Lloyd's Register(LR)

Sponsorship Program

Item Sponsorship

Categories	Item & Detailed Benefits	Price (USD)
A	Logo on Lanyard	20,000
B	Promotional Video at Opening Ceremony (Always playable on the website)	10,000
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D	Logo on Conference Souvenir's Case	10,000
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H	1page ad in program book and logo on website	3,000
I	Half page ad in program book and logo on newsletter	3,000

Partner Sponsorship

Categories	Complimentary Registrants	Complimentary Events	Included Items	Price (USD)
Diamond	15	Keynote Speech, CTO Forum, 2 ETS, Networking breakfast	All items	50,000
Platinum	10	CTO Forum, 2 ETS	A, B, D, E, G	40,000
Gold	6	CTO Forum, 1 ETS	C, D, E, G	30,000
Silver	4	-	D, E, G	20,000
Bronze	2	-	D, E, G	10,000

Registration Fees

Categories	USD
Early Registration	1,000
Early Registration (Student)	500
Standard Registration	1,200
Standard Registration (Student)	600

A sponsorship program providing registration fee support for outstanding students, selected through evaluation, will be offered at a later stage.

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