

IMarEST's Exemplar Professional Development Report

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ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

MSc Subsea Engineering, Robert Gordon University, 1999-2002.	
Studied part-time as Distance Learning course.	
BEng (Hons) Mechanical Engineering, Imperial College London, 1990-3.	
1st Class Honours.	
CEng accredited degree – Ref. 1186	
A-levels: 3 A grades (Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry) – 1988-90	

CAREER OVERVIEW – POSITIONS HELD

Current Position:	
Principal Installation Manager (Subsea Cables)	
- AM Offshore Renewables Ltd: 2007-to date	
Previous Positions:	
Pipeline Project Manager within Advanced Technology Group	
- Gulf O&G Pipeline Services: 2002-2007	
Area Technical Authority – Pipelines	
- Westhill O&G Ltd: 1999-2002	
Senior Pipeline Engineer	
- Westhill O&G Ltd: 1997-1999	
(Graduate) Pipeline Engineer	
Westhill O&G Ltd: 1993-1997	

CAREER OVERVIEW – INTRODUCTION

More than 17 years of experience working in offshore engineering, primarily focused on subsea cables and pipelines. My career has recently taken me into the offshore renewable industry, having primarily focused on the Oil and Gas sector. Educated to Master's level and extensive management experience both within the UK and in the USA. This report is written as part of my application to transfer to Member (MIMarEST) of the Institute of Marine Engineering, Science and Technology, and to apply for registration as a Chartered Engineer. The report will attempt to demonstrate both technical and leadership skills and responsibilities in line with the requirements set out in the Engineering Council UK-SPEC guidelines. The academic requirement for CEng registration is satisfied by possession of an accredited BEng (Hons) degree. UK-SPEC competencies are identified in the margins against the appropriate evidence within the professional report.

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AM Offshore Renewables Ltd: 2007-to date Principal Installation Manager (Subsea Cables) – North Sea Wind Farm	
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Principal responsibility for the installation of subsea cables for the North Sea Wind Farm project. I am responsible for cable installation and construction teams, and supporting contractors. I directly conduct appraisals of team (8	B1, B3
members), and am responsible for overseeing their professional development. Directly mentor two recent graduates involved in the project. I am accountable for actions of contractors within remit, oversee their project involvement and	C1, C2, C3 C4
liaise with HR support for the recruiting of staff where necessary. Ultimately responsible for the Health and Safety requirements of all workers and for ensuring that all staff have completed required HSE training. Further subcontractor responsibilities include management of contract scope	E1, E2
modifications, and resolutions of scheduling and project variations. Responsible for initial installation of project through to the testing and the signing off of all installation work for subsea cables aspect of project for commissioning.	B1
Accountable for project budget worth >£20m annually.	C1, C2
Technical responsibilities include being technical authority for the installation project, checking and approving installation designs. Management of safe	A1, A2
transportation and handling of cables, inspection and surveying of cables. Liaison for clients and warranty surveyors. Regularly conduct reviews of safety and quality of cable installation. Role requires the ability to coordinate actions	D1, D2 E2
between the different facets of the project – from the initial involvement of design engineers, project engineers responsible for the installation, jetting teams, contracted welding and jointing engineers, ROV operators and divers, as well as	B1, C1, C2
surveyors.	
Gulf O&G Pipeline Services: 2002-2007	
Pipeline Project Manager/Advanced Technology Group - Gulf of Mexico	
Pagnangible for a facgibility study into decryyeter nineline reneir systems and	
Responsible for a feasibility study into deepwater pipeline repair systems and management of pipeline repair, monitoring and maintenance. Required strong understanding of remote diverless, deepwater repair systems – both from a	B1, B2, B3
technological perspective, and also the ability to understand the financial and commercial aspects associated with such a project. Responsible for presenting	A1, A2
findings and recommendations to directors of company and to external parties, and was heavily involved with Business Development/Acquisitions department in preparing the final commercial proposal. Led team of six permanent	D1, D2, D3
engineering staff working on project, plus oversaw the involvement of specialists from other departments co-opted in to advise regarding specific aspects of the study.	C1, C2, C3
The feasibility study was a multi-faceted project that required technical expertise in developing ROV based tie-in systems, as well as positioning systems, pipe handling and deployment methodology, pipeline connecting and cutting technology. Although some aspects of the project proved unfeasible due to lack	A1 A2
of cooperation between all third parties involved, the core of the study was taken forward and implemented (with myself acting as lead) and a number of patents applied for as a result of the study. I consider the development and awarding of	B1, B2, B3 A2

these patents as the most notable achievement of this project as I led a team in the development of viable new technology and its direct application to the	
benefit of the company.	
Westhill O&G Ltd: 1993-2002	
Area Technical Authority – Pipelines: 1999-2002	
Technical authority for all North Sea upstream assets operated out of Aberdeen. I was responsible for technical assurance and held responsibility for maintaining and promoting legislative compliance with necessary codes, regulations and standards. This included monitoring against the existing safety and performance	A1, A2
standards. This included monitoring against the existing safety and performance standards in place, and also for ensuring that the company was well-placed to demonstrate compliance with standards that were in development and implemented throughout this period. Supported HSE audits and independent	E1, E2, E3 C4
verification bodies to ensure compliance. Achieved notable success in adapting business to new legislation and in implementing more thorough monitoring processes.	E2
Provided technical support for rigid and flexible pipelines, and umbilical and safeguarding systems. Contributed to operational risk reviews and assessment	A1 E2
and in developing processes to mitigate critical risk. Responsible for technical assessments and support, and for environmental assessment reports. Sat on	A2, B3
internal review board with responsibility for scrutinising design submissions for new technological developments and HAZOP analysis. Member of Critical	C1, C4
Response Team as pipeline technical specialist.	A1, A2
Supported graduate engineers seconded to the department through the company graduate training scheme. Responsible for financial budget management for	C3, C4
pipeline operation and maintenance and for provision of adequate contingency plans. Promoted safety within company by delivering seminars and lunch and	C1 E2, C4, D1
learn sessions.	D2, D3
Senior Pipeline Engineer: 1997-1999	
Responsible for pipeline integrity management and support for the maintenance	
and operation of pipelines. Evaluated risks and identified strategies for the safe inspection and upkeep of all pipelines operated by company in this area. Responsible for pipeline design and installation procedures, inspection records	В3
and scheduling, anomaly assessment and general monitoring. Technical support for pigging programmes.	A2, B2
Manage team of three support engineers, with responsibility for performance evaluation and appraisal, and identifying areas for training and development. Responsible for management of sub-contractors.	C2, C3
Pipeline Engineer: 1993-1997	
Initial 30 months participated in company Graduate Training Scheme. Gained exposure to various departments in company but primarily focused on pipeline	
engineering. Scheme developed both direct engineering exposure and also core technical expertise and skills for progression as a pipeline engineer. Following	A1, A2
the completion of the graduate training, operated in a more autonomous role within the Pipeline engineering team. Achieved high marks throughout graduate	B1, B2

training and identified as an early candidate for promotion and management potential.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

Professional Membership

IMarEST – Affiliate membership (80120321)

SUT – Member (3451054)

Key Professional Development Courses Technical Development

Subsea Pipeline Installation Calculations (short course) – Uni. Aberdeen: 1995

Offshore Pipeline Design (short course) – Uni. Robert Gordon: 1997

Corrosion Engineering and Control (short course) – Uni. Aberdeen: 2000

Mechanical Fatigue and Stress Analysis (short course) – Texas A&M University: 2006

Offshore Renewable Energy - Technology (short course) – Cranfield University: 2010

Safety and Risk Assessment

Offshore Safety Induction – Internal Course: 1993

Understanding Process Hazards Analysis (HAZOP, FMEA, etc) – Internal Course:

1997

Safety, Risk and Reliabity Offshore (short course) – Cranfield University: 2009

Management and Leadership

Introduction to Project Management – Internal Course: 1997

Key Performance Planning – Internal Course: 1999

Pipeline Legislation Awareness – Uni. Robert Gordon: 2000

Lead Auditor/ISO9000 training: 2005

Project Management in the Offshore Renewable sector – Uni. Manchester: 2007

Conferences

I have contributed lectures at numerous SUT organised events and a lecture on pipeline repair systems at OTC, Houston: 2006

Selected Recent Published Papers

Exemplar, A. N., 'FMEA methodology and the installation of subsea cables in offshore wind farms', Proceedings of 2010 Forum for Renewable Energy Engineering.

Exemplar, A. N., Smith, T., Castro, R., 'Evolving technologies in ROV based tie-in systems', Offshore Pipeline Journal, 2007.

Exemplar, A. N., 'Advanced Finite Element Analysis in Deepwater Pipeline Installation', Deep Offshore Technology Conference, 2007.

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