



Press release
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Christophe Rousseau sets sail for a well-earned retirement!

Christophe Rousseau, Deputy Director and Operations and QHSE Manager at Cedre, has embarked on retirement. Cedre's Director Stéphane Doll and President François Cuillandre expressed their gratitude for his long and loyal service devoted to marine spill response.

Passionate dedication

Sparked by his involvement in clean-up operations in the wake of the *Amoco Cadiz* spill in 1978, Christophe Rousseau became a resolute advocate for ensuring such a disaster would never strike again. Christophe joined Cedre on 10th September 1979 in the organisation's very early days and was one of the founding leaders who built and maintained this fine vessel! As a man of action and a talented engineer, he has ceaselessly invented novel solutions and sought to uphold Cedre's values and expertise, both locally and across the globe. He has passionately shared his convictions at countless conferences around the world and organised information in the field of marine spill response, so that it may be shared and widely accessible. In recent years, he has invested considerable time and effort into establishing a Quality, Health, Safety and Environment plan within the organisation, which today has a 50-strong team. His expertise in marine pollution response and incident management is now internationally recognised by the players in this field.

Acknowledged by François Cuillandre for his founding work

On Friday 28th September, at a large gathering of professionals who had turned out to celebrate the quality of his work, Mr Rousseau was congratulated and warmly thanked by Cedre's President François Cuillandre.

New management staff

Christophe Rousseau will be replaced by Nicolas Tamic, who has joined the management team which has seen numerous changes this year. Alma Chambord was appointed as Administrative and Financial Manager in early June. Gérald Falc'hun is the new QHSE and Purchasing Manager since early April. Finally, Agnese Diverres was recruited as Information Department Manager at the beginning of the summer.

Stéphane Doll and the whole of Cedre's team are preparing for the upcoming challenges and are determined to perpetuate what Mr Rousseau, his first colleagues and all those who followed in their footsteps have succeeded in building over the past 39 years!

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Cedre snapshot

Field of activity: advice and expertise in the management of accidental water pollution.

Activities: response support, contingency planning, training, analysis and testing, research, documentary resource centre.

Geographical coverage: France and abroad

Workforce: 50 engineers, researchers and technicians

Annual budget: 5 million euros

Date of creation: 25 January 1979

Location: 715 rue Alain Colas, Port du Moulin Blanc, Brest, France

