



The International Business Alliance  
for Corporate Ocean Responsibility

News Release

## **WORLD OCEAN COUNCIL WELCOMES TOTAL AS NEW MEMBER**

### **Leading French Energy Company Adds to Growing Alliance on Ocean Sustainability**

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“The World Ocean Council is extremely pleased to welcome TOTAL to our growing alliance as we continue to develop the collaborative actions needed to address the ocean stewardship challenges and opportunities facing ocean industries,” announced Paul Holthus, WOC Executive Director.

Total has joined the 40 companies already members of the World Ocean Council. Total is a world leader in the oil and gas sector and the first French company to become part of the unique multi-sectoral business alliance on Corporate Ocean Responsibility. Total has offshore exploration and production activity in Nigeria, Angola, Norway, and Indonesia.

“Total is committed to responsible operations in the marine environment. We believe that the diverse ocean business community must collaborate to ensure ocean health in the interconnected marine ecosystems. The World Ocean council provides a critical means for TOTAL to work with other responsible companies on science-based solution to ocean issues,” said Manoelle Lepoutre, Senior Vice President Sustainable Development and Environment.

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*About the World Ocean Council (WOC)*

*The WOC is the only international, cross-sectoral alliance for private sector leadership and collaboration in "Corporate Ocean Responsibility". Companies and associations worldwide are distinguishing themselves as leaders in ocean sustainability and stewardship by joining the WOC. Members to date include over 40 leadership organizations from a wide range of ocean industries: renewable energy, oil and gas, shipping, seafood, tourism, ocean technology, maritime law, marine environmental services and other areas.*

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