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## **Pascal Artaz, new Chief Operating Officer at Naval Energies**

Both field manager and strategist, Pascal is empowered to structure, coordinate and lead all industrial operations at Naval Energies. Pascal is the promoter and guarantor of our technological progress, deployment and reliability of our industrial operations on floating wind turbine and ocean thermal energy conversion with by-products markets. He plays a key role in the company's growth strategy.

Pascal Artaz started his career in 1983 in industry as a mechanical designer. He quickly joined SNECMA Moteurs, where he held the positions of customer-support technician, development engineer, and then R&D programmes manager. In 1998, he joined the integrator ARINSO, currently NGA, as project director to oversee the global deployment of SAP-HR solutions for Renault SA. He then spent two years at Bertin Technologies as Business Unit manager, where he balanced the engineering and systems activities. In 2002, he returned to the SAFRAN group, firstly at SOPEMEA, as Chief Operating Officer, then at MESSIER-DOWTY, where he successively held the positions of R&D programme manager, engineering- and production-audit manager, and supply-chain manager.

In 2010, he joined AREVA Renewable Energies, where he held the position of continuous improvement and Enterprise Integration manager. In charge to guarantee a robust design and robust production, he started and supported new productions for offshore wind turbines in North Germany, and concentrated solar steam generators both in the US and India. In 2014, he was appointed industrial director of the Hydrogen business unit.

Business angel and entrepreneur for almost 20 years from now, co-founder of Selene Partners hedge fund in 2008, Pascal also supports the development and recovery of SMEs in difficulty, more particularly DAVI interactive, of which he was the managing director in 2008 and 2009, and more recently the Vivalians group, as Director of continuous improvement.

Pascal holds two engineering degrees from the Conservatoire National des Arts et Métiers, an MSc in physical acoustics from the University of Maine, and an MBA from IAE Paris.

Pascal Artaz says that "joining Naval Energies today provides me an opportunity to combine all my experience. I shall bring to this position of Chief Operating Officer my expertise in industrial development, continuous improvement, risk management and, of course, my passion for the sea! Naval Energies is currently moving forward an important step forward towards maturity and I am happy to join the company at this particular point to support its development."

*Videos and photos available at [www.salledepresse.com](http://www.salledepresse.com)*



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**About Naval Energies**

Naval Energies is a leader in marine renewable energies. Naval Energies develops renewable and decarbonised electricity generation systems and sub-systems based on two different sources of marine energy – offshore winds and the thermal potential of tropical seas. We are present throughout the product lifecycle and master the entire value chain: design, construction, installation and maintenance, both at sea and in coastal areas. All over the world, we contribute to the development of alternative, renewable and environmentally-friendly energy produced by the most powerful source possible: the sea.

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