

## Panel on Innovations in Traditional UUVs

### Riptide

Presented by Jeffrey M. Smith
President & CEO
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#### Riptide Founders / Leads





Jeffrey M. Smith
President & CEO
BS - Mech Eng (WPI)
MS - Mech Eng (RPI)
MBA - (RPI)

20+ Years in technical management, program management, executive management, Navy Program Development, UUV Subject Matter Expert



Dr. Dani Goldberg

Software Principal

BS -Comp Sci (Brandeis)

MS - Comp Sci (USC)

PhD - Comp Sci (USC)

20+ Years in technical management and software development for autonomous systems (space and undersea), architecture development, hybrid systems

Dr. Stefano Brizzolara

Naval Architecture Principal / Founder

PhD – Numerical Hydrodynamics for

Ship Design (Univ of Genoa)

~20 Years in naval architecture for

advanced surface craft, architecture

development, hydrodynamic design

## Lenny Baker Sr. Lead Systems Engineer / EE / SW BS - Elec Eng (WPI) MS - Elec Eng (Umass) 10+ Years in electrical design, shipboard electronics, power and controls

Sam Godin
Lead Mechanical Engineer
BS - Mech Eng (WPI)
20+ Years in mechanical design,
SolidWorks Super User

# SCPO (ret) Dan Lawrence Lead Analyst Retired ONI ACINT Specialist, Operational Test Director, 30+ years experience in atsea technical assessment for operational utility

#### Riptide Innovation



- Persistence Efficiency coupled with energy capacity is a very big deal
  - Electrical Efficiency Focused on low power processing
  - Hydrodynamic Efficiency Focused on low drag
  - Capacity Exclusively partnered with Open Water Power
    - Game Changing Estimated 5 kWh on a micro-UUV
- Flexibility
  - Open HW and SW Interfaces
  - Extensive use of Open Source
  - High COTS Content
  - Rapid Manufacturing
  - Building a robust user community



### **UUV Technology Challenges**



- Energy
  - Energy Density
  - Certification
  - Platform Storage
- Reliability
  - Mission Endurance
- Host Platform Interface
  - Launch and Recovery
- Autonomy
- Mission Planning
- Affordability









#### State of Practice in Unmanned Systems Technology

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