



“Testing the Waters and Making the Grade”

Biography: Ms. Elisa Obermann, Marine Renewables Canada

Elisa Obermann joined Marine Renewables Canada in 2012 as the Atlantic Director. In this role, Elisa works to support and strengthen collaboration in the Atlantic region of Canada, but much of her work also spans nationally and internationally. With a strong background in policy development and communications, Elisa plays a key role in engaging industry, supply chain companies, researchers, and the government to advance the development of a marine renewable energy industry in Canada that can be globally competitive.

Over the course of 2013, Elisa also held the role of acting Operations Director at the Fundy Ocean Research Center for Energy (FORCE), Canada’s lead in-stream tidal demonstration and development centre.

Prior to joining Marine Renewables Canada, Elisa worked at Nova Scotia Department of Energy where she focused on renewable energy policy and regulatory development including the province's Renewable Electricity Plan and marine renewable energy policy. She also spent several years in the private sector, specialized in corporate communications and marketing. Elisa holds a Bachelor of Arts in English and a Masters in Public Administration from Dalhousie University.