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Biography: Mr. John Breslin, SmartBay Ireland

John Breslin is SmartBay Ireland's General Manager and is responsible for the overall management of the National Research, Test and Demonstration Platform for Wave Energy Devices, Marine Sensors, Equipment and ICT Solutions. John has grown and developed a client-focused, experienced, multidisciplinary team who deliver on-time and on-budget Marine Operations Projects. He has a proven track record in the pursuit, development and execution of business opportunities within the commercial, public and third level sectors. John's project portfolio includes; marine vessel & ROV asset management, strategic business planning, market and investment analysis, product feasibility studies, acquisitions and transition planning. John graduated with a M.Sc. (Research) from UCD, a B.Sc. in Marine and Fisheries Biology from the University of Aberdeen and has other qualifications in Applied Chemistry, Laboratory Practices and Aquaculture. Previously, John has held management and director positions and has over 20 years' experience in marine survey, environmental consultancy, vessel operations & commercial management. John worked as the commercial manager for Europe at P&O Maritime and was responsible for developing and implementing the European regions growth strategy within the Offshore Wind and Government Shipping Sectors. While employed at the Marine Institute John was responsible for the Management of Ireland's Research Vessels and Deepwater ROV. John was a Co-owner and Director at Seabed Surveys International a specialist hydroacoustic survey company.