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Senior Commissioning Manager | Project / Site Manager | EPC/EPCI Offshore, Marine & Energy Projects

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PROFILE

Senior Commissioning Manager, Project Manager and Site Manager with 20+ years of offshore, marine, renewables and heavy industrial project experience. Delivered commissioning leadership across 24 new-build jack-up drilling rigs, liftboats and 100+ offshore upgrade and refurbishment projects with Lamprell PLC, including central completions and commissioning oversight across UAE yards and international projects. Selected project exposure includes the NDC / ADNOC Super 116E jack-up program, ENSCO 140 / 141, Scorpion Offshore Freedom / Mischief, EDC Neptune / Mercury, Shelf Drilling new-build jack-ups, Seajacks Zaratan and East Anglia ONE offshore wind. Appointed to overseas project leadership roles including Site Manager for the East Anglia ONE offshore wind foundations project in Vlissingen, Netherlands; Project Manager for refurbishment and conversion projects in Constanta, Romania and Sharjah, UAE; and Load-Out Authority for new-build projects in Astrakhan, Russia and Sharjah, UAE. Combines a strong mechanical trade foundation with commissioning strategy, site execution control, contractor coordination, client interface, marine operations readiness and safe handover in safety-critical environments.

CORE EXPERTISE

Project & Site Leadership: Site management, project coordination, contractor control, client interface, multi-discipline team leadership, execution planning.

Systems & Documentation: ITRs, method statements, procedures, completions management, punch list control, dossiers, turnover and close-out.

Technical Authority: Troubleshooting, root cause analysis, vendor / OEM coordination, operability and maintainability input, technical assurance.

Commissioning & Completions: Commissioning strategy, MC, pre-commissioning, cold and hot commissioning, start-up, PSSR, SAT, performance testing and handover.

Marine & Operational Readiness: Rig moves, jacking trials, load-outs, marine contractor interface, Class society interface and readiness assurance.

Safety & Risk Management: HSE leadership, risk identification, controlled execution in safety-critical environments, compliance with yard, offshore and client requirements.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Professional Development & International Energy Role Search | 2025 - 2026

Completed PMP® certification and updated senior project / commissioning credentials while preparing for return to international energy project roles.

Director, Technical & Operations | Sound Composites Ltd, United Kingdom | 2019 - 2025

Built and operated an independent technical and manufacturing business specialising in engineered composite products for industrial, marine and project-based applications. This period demonstrates commercial accountability, hands-on technical leadership and full operational ownership, while retaining direct relevance to senior project leadership roles.

- Led technical, operational and commercial delivery, retaining accountability for safety, quality, scheduling, documentation and customer outcomes.
- Acted as technical authority for bespoke manufacturing systems, tooling, process development, equipment performance and safe production methods.
- Applied commissioning discipline to custom-built systems and processes, including readiness verification, functional testing, acceptance criteria and documentation control.
- Managed supplier and contractor interfaces, resolving technical issues through structured troubleshooting, root cause analysis and controlled change.
- Controlled manufacturing documentation, inspection records, operating procedures and compliance requirements.

Commissioning Manager / Project Leadership Appointments | Lamprell PLC, UAE & International | 2003 - 2019

Progressed from workshop and mechanical supervision through commissioning engineering and senior commissioning leadership. Led commissioning delivery for 24 new-build jack-up drilling rigs, liftboats and 100+ offshore upgrade / refurbishment projects, while supporting international scopes in the UAE, China, the Netherlands, Russia, Turkmenistan offshore, Croatia and Romania.

- Provided central commissioning leadership and technical oversight across Lamprell UAE yards, standardising execution methods, handover practices and completions governance across multiple concurrent projects.
- Prepared and controlled commissioning policies, plans, procedures, ITRs, method statements and readiness documentation to support safe, auditable project delivery.
- Directed project-level MC, pre-commissioning, commissioning, start-up, PSSR, SAT, performance testing, sea trials and final system handover in line with Class, client and regulatory requirements.

- Acted as a senior technical reference point for commissioning strategy, system readiness, execution logic, technical problem resolution and final client acceptance.
- Managed vendor, OEM, Class society, marine contractor, construction, engineering and client interfaces during critical project phases.
- Supported overseas project execution and technical problem solving in China, the Netherlands, Russia, Turkmenistan offshore, Croatia and Romania.
- Contributed to bids and tenders through commissioning scope definition, man-hour estimation, execution strategies and technical input.
- Supported early-stage renewables and FPO / FPSO-related scopes by providing commissioning, operability and maintainability input during bid and concept phases.
- Led post-delivery warranty support for new-build jack-up units, coordinating defect resolution, root cause analysis, vendor mobilisation and client communication to protect operational reliability and commercial exposure.

Career Progression within Lamprell | Trade Foundation to Commissioning Authority

Progressed from Machine Shop Supervisor and Mechanical Supervisor through Commissioning Engineer, Senior Commissioning Engineer and Commissioning Superintendent to Commissioning Manager

EARLIER ENGINEERING FOUNDATION

Pattern Maker / Tool Maker Apprentice | Hargreaves and Gott, United Kingdom | 1995 - 1999

Completed a structured apprenticeship, building a practical foundation in mechanical engineering principles, fabrication, materials, tolerances, precision manufacturing and hands-on problem solving.

Pattern Maker / Model Maker | Haywood Technology (formerly Haywood Plastics), United Kingdom | 2000 - 2002

Applied advanced pattern-making and model-making skills to industrial manufacturing, tooling, moulding and production processes with a focus on accuracy, quality and manufacturability.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & CERTIFICATIONS

Project Management Professional (PMP)® — Project Management Institute, 2026

Certified project management professional with formal knowledge across scope, schedule, cost, risk, quality, stakeholder engagement, communications, procurement, governance and project delivery.

Marine Operations of Self-Elevating Platforms (Jack-Up Rigs) — ASET International Oil & Gas Training Academy, Aberdeen, 2011

Four-day specialist course covering jack-up rig operations, elevated operations, stability, marine operations, rig moving practice, operational risk and jack-up simulator exercises.

Leadership and Management Skills — Spearhead Training, 2015

Leadership and management development focused on team supervision, communication, operational effectiveness and improving business performance.

ISO 9001:2000 Internal Audit Training — Texas Management Consultants, 2006

Internal audit training covering quality management system principles, audit preparation, audit execution, evidence gathering, non-conformance awareness and corrective action follow-up.

Six Sigma / Process Improvement — Professional Development

Training in process improvement, quality control, risk reduction, root cause thinking and operational performance improvement.

Generative AI Mastermind / AI Productivity — Outskill, 2026

Applied use of generative AI tools for project documentation, workflow support, research, procedure drafting and technical productivity.

Secondary Education / GCSEs — Oulderhill Community School, Rochdale, UK, completed 1995

KEY STRENGTHS

- Senior commissioning authority with credible hands-on mechanical, marine and manufacturing foundations.
- Proven overseas site leadership across the Netherlands, Romania, Russia, China and other international project locations.
- Strong interface manager between client, contractor, Class, marine, engineering, construction, vendor and operations teams.
- Able to standardise commissioning practices and documentation across multiple projects, yards and execution teams.