



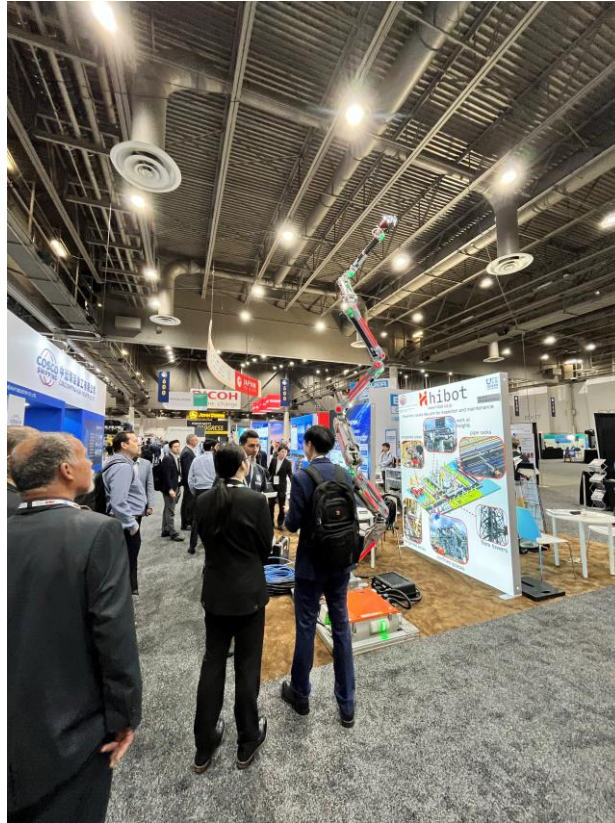
Hibot Float Arm introduced at Offshore Technology Conference (OTC) 2023 for the first time

(Tokyo, June. 21, 2023) Hibot exhibited its float arm for the first time to the U.S. market at the Offshore Technology Conference (OTC) 2023 held in Houston, U.S. from May 1 to 4, 2023.

OTC is the world's largest offshore-related exhibition held annually in Houston, U.S. According to the organizer's announcement, more than 31,000 people visited the exhibition this year.

Hibot was invited as a member company of the DeepStar Project* and had the opportunity to promote its technologies at the Japan Pavilion together with the Japan Ship Machinery and Equipment Association (JSMEA), the Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO), and the Nippon Foundation.





The presentation of the Float Arm was a real success, hibot received a great amount of inquiries, regarding our solution and services through the RaaS (Robot as a Service) model, from operators and service providers located in the USA, South America and Africa.

The Float Arm Project is a project promoted by the Nippon Foundation - DeepStar (*) “Collaborative Technology Development Assistance” Program.

(DeepStar is a consortium of offshore oil and gas exploration, development, and production companies, including Chevron (USA), Petrobras (Brazil), Shell (UK), ExxonMobil (USA) and INPEX (JPN) as well as companies, universities, and research institutes that provide products and services to these companies. The OTC (Offshore Technology Conference) is a series of conferences and exhibitions, focused on the exchanging technical knowledge relevant to the development of offshore energy resources, primarily oil and natural gas.



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On May 5th, after OTC, the “DeepStar Technology Symposium 2023” was held at Chevron's Houston headquarter, where Michele Guarnieri presented the Float Arm and the results of the first-year Nippon Foundation and DeepStar project.

At the symposium, the funding for new developments and for Phase 2 projects were announced. Hibot was awarded with further grants, led by the champions: Chevron, ExxonMobil, Shell and Petrobras.



S Michele Guarnieri – hibot CEO – Presenting float arm and the first phase project results.

Hibot is now moving toward the acceleration of the use of our solution for offshore platforms globally, at the same time, thanks to the high interest received, it will consider already the starting of activities in the US market.



◆About Float Arm

Float Arm is Hibot's new snake manipulator, designed for long-reach applications in confined spaces. With Hibot's proprietary snake-motion control and unique self-balancing mechanism, it is able to navigate in complex environments and acquire detailed data for inspection and maintenance. Float Arm is lightweight, fast and highly portable, making it an ideal tool for integration with other systems already in operation in the field, or simply as a stand-alone inspection device.

Learn more about [Float Arm](#).

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