



Rising Star Award

Captain Kristopher Drodge



Noia's Rising Star Award recognizes outstanding achievement by an oil & gas industry member who has demonstrated significant accomplishment and is 40 years of age or younger.

This year's recipient, Captain Kristopher Drodge, is an offshore installation manager onboard the Transocean Barents.

Kristopher is a graduate of the Marine Institute Nautical Science and Memorial University Maritime Studies programs and has more than 15 years experience in Newfoundland and Labrador's offshore oil & gas industry.

Beginning his career as a ballast control operator on the GSF Grand Banks, he has steadily progressed through leadership roles in the offshore, having been one of the youngest offshore installation managers (OIM) on a semi-submersible in Canada.

An advocate for a modern and safe offshore working environment, Captain Drodge has also been a part-time faculty member at his alma mater and contributed to the development and offering of offshore safety courses.

His recent contributions to the industry include involvement and leadership in the jurisdictional intakes of two drill rigs, as well as revision of industry regulations and the management of the required training and qualifications for offshore personnel.