

## Biography:

### Dr Franck Laruelle, Technical Team Manager, ITOPF



Franck holds a PhD in marine biology from Brest University in France and previously worked with the environment and response / emergency response services of the French oil spill research organization CEDRE for 6 years. During that time, he has acted as a technical adviser on behalf of the French government on a number of spills, including ERIKA (1999) and PRESTIGE (2002). Franck joined ITOPF in 2006 and has since acted as a technical adviser on maritime incidents worldwide. Franck has attended a number of incidents involving tankers, including the main IOPC Fund cases of these last 10 years such as SOLAR 1 in the Philippines (2006) and HEBEI SPIRIT in South Korea (2007) as well as incidents involving bunker spills from other types of ships. Within ITOPF, Franck leads the HNS working group and was promoted to Technical Team Manager in January 2.

