



## Media Release

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### GF Piping Systems welcomes Óscar Ovejero as Global Head of Marine

**With a wealth of experience in the marine sector, Óscar Ovejero will be responsible for expanding the marine business footprint and increasing customer proximity within the Swiss flow solution provider's team. Meet him at the Asia Pacific Maritime trade fair in Singapore from 13 to 15 March 2024.**

Óscar Ovejero completed a Master's degree in naval architecture as well as a postgraduate course in ship interior design at the Polytechnic University of Madrid. Since then, he has gained 18 years of experience working in sales management within the marine industry. In past roles, he has been instrumental in developing companies by shaping a lasting market presence across continents. In particular, he was able to strengthen the Asian market and build important relationships with several Southeast Asian countries as well as China.

Since January 2024, Óscar Ovejero is responsible for developing and implementing strategies for the Swiss flow solutions provider as Global Head of Marine. With his comprehensive knowledge of the segment as well as his proven track record in leading global teams and increasing revenue, he will identify business opportunities and help strengthen the business development of GF Piping Systems.

"I am excited to join GF Piping Systems, a company that has gathered over 30 years of experience as a key partner of the global marine industry," comments Ovejero. "The entire sector is currently going through a transformation from traditional shipbuilding towards a more sustainable future. I believe that GF Piping Systems can play a key role in this transformation thanks to corrosion- and maintenance-free thermoplastic solutions, global prefabrication capabilities, engineering, and full project support. I look forward to heading towards Future Horizons with my new team."

From 13 to 15 March 2024, Óscar Ovejero will attend Asia Pacific Maritime in Singapore, the largest exhibition and conference in Southeast Asia for global shipbuilding and marine, workboat, offshore and port technology. For the 2024 edition, GF Piping Systems will display its corrosion-free and lightweight innovations for offshore energy platform and merchant vessel applications, including COOL-FIT, HEAT-FIT, and the Butterfly Valve 565.

COOL-FIT is a fully pre-insulated plastic piping system for refrigeration and air conditioning applications. Due to its pre-insulation and vaporproof construction, the system facilitates a 30% better insulation performance compared to post-insulated metal systems, is up to 60% lighter and up to 50% faster to install than comparable solutions. HEAT-FIT, the industry's pioneering fire-retardant solution for the PE100 piping system ecoFIT, offers fire protection for thermoplastic solutions in essential applications (L3) such as ballast water distribution, and treatment. The newly introduced Butterfly Valve 565 Lug-Style, which is up to 60% lighter than metal alternatives, extends the 565 range with additional use cases in water installations on board. The valve made of high-quality plastics comes in the same installation length as metal solutions (DN50-DN300) and allows for a direct replacement, reducing planning and installation times.

Meet Óscar Ovejero at Asia Pacific Maritime in Singapore from 13 to 15 March 2024. GF Piping Systems will be located in Hall B, Level 1, at booth B-N36.

[Find out more about GF Piping Systems' marine solutions.](#)

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**GF Piping Systems**

As the leading flow solutions provider for the safe and sustainable transport of fluids, GF Piping Systems creates connections for life. The division focuses on industry-leading leak-free piping solutions for numerous demanding end-market segments. Its strong focus on customer-centricity and innovation is reflected by its global sales, service, and manufacturing footprint and its award-winning portfolio, including fittings, valves, pipes, automation, fabrication, and jointing technologies.

GF Piping Systems has its own sales companies in 31 countries, which means it is always by its customers' side. Production sites in 36 locations in America, Europe, and Asia ensure sufficient availability and quick, reliable delivery. In 2022, GF Piping Systems generated sales of CHF 2'160 million and employed 8'085 people. GF Piping Systems is a division of Georg Fischer AG, founded in 1802 and headquartered in Schaffhausen, Switzerland.

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