

# Board of Directors

Sylvie PITHON arrived in French Polynesia in 1975. She was then working for UTA Airlines. She studied English to become a teacher. She worked in different High schools in Tahiti and became Head of Paopao college in 2009. She then had the opportunity of working with Te mana o te moana for many years through the

When she retired in 2016, Sylvie became an active member of the association and

### Richard H. Bailey



President

**A** graduate from Stanford and Harvard Universities, Richard H. Bailey is the Chairman and CEO of Pacific Beachcomber Group and the President of Paul Gauguin Cruises Inc. A resident of Polynesia for over 35 years, he is a strong protector of the Polynesian environment. Sustainability development is at the center of the growth of his Group. He is at the source of the installation of the deep Sea Water Air Conditioning (SWAC) system in his hotels of Bora Bora and at The Brando resort on Tetiaroa.

With this same objective in mind, he obtained the highest certification in green building, the LEED (Leadership in Environment and Energy Design) for the « Eco luxury hotel » The Brando on Tetiaroa atoll.

And to better protect the fauna and flora of this atoll, he is one of the key stakeholders involved in the creation of the non-profit association Tetiaroa Society located on-site that includes a Research center and is aimed at a better protection and knowledge of the island.

Richard H. Bailey is a founding member of Te mana o te moana with Dr. Cécile Gaspar in 2004 and is the President of the association since 2019.

# Sylvie Pithon

Secretary

# Isabelle Honorez

association's educational programs and projects.

since 2019, is the Secretary of Te mana o te moana



Treasurer

Isabelle HONOREZ began her career in France as an Information Systems Consultant. In 2001, she moved to Polynesia and has been leaving here since. After working as an Auditor and a Project manager, she took over the management of the Bank of Tahiti's Audit Department in 2010.

In 2017, she joined the Pacific Beachcomber group as Secretary General in charge of compliance and participated in the preparation of the Group's 1<sup>st</sup> CSR report.

Aside from her main career, Isabelle contributed as an associate to the launch of a Polynesian startup manufacturing 100% natural cleaning products. In 2017, the project was awarded in the business creation competition in the circular economy. The startup also participated in the challenge for a sustainable fenua organized by the CCISM and obtained the Gold level of the label.

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ean-François CLERVOY is an astronaut, a General Engineer of Armament, a graduate of the Ecole Polytechnique, the National School of Aeronautics and

He was lent by the General Delegation for Armament to the National Center for Space Studies (CNES) in 1983 and then to the European Space Agency (ESA) since 1992, who in turn lent him to NASA for which he performs 3 space missions aboard the American Space Shuttle. He is President of Novespace (CNES subsidiary) in charge of parabolic flights in weightlessness on the A310

Author, inventor, paratrooper, diver, private pilot, Jean-François is also a strong defender of the environment and member of various organizations for the

Space and the School of Navigating Personnel of Tests and Reception.

promotion of space and the protection of the blue planet.

Since 2009, he is a Patron of the association Te mana o te moana.

# Jean-François Clervoy



**Active Member** 

### René Galzin

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 ${f R}$ ené GALZIN holds a Doctorate in Sciences from the University of Montpellier. He is Director of Studies at the Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes (EPHE), a member of the Laboratory CNRS-EPHE and Chairman of the Scientific Council of Fakarava Biosphere Reserve.

Author of more than 250 scientific publications, he is Director of Doctorates, EPHE Diplomas and Masters studies.

René is also a former Director of CRIOBE and CNRS-EPHE Coral Reefs, former President of the French Society of Ichthyology and former Vice President of the International Society for ReefStudies.

### **Active Member**

**Rodolphe Holler** 

 ${\sf D}$ ive instructor, Rodolphe HOLLER has been living in Polynesia since 2000. In 2004, he became an animal care giver at the Moorea Dolphin Center as well as a professional photographer before creating his own eco-tourism company: Tahiti Private Expeditions.

Passionate about the marine world, Rodolphe gives lectures and participates to documentaries on the marine world. He also manages his dolphin and whale watching activity in a principle of sustainable tourism.



**Active Member** 

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# Philippe Vallette



Philippe VALLETTE is an oceanographer, Director of NAUSICAA, the National Sea Centre in Boulogne-sur-Mer and also President of the World Festival of Underwater Pictures of Marseille. His vocation: make people know and love the sea to inspire new behaviors.

In 2002, he was at the initiative of NAUSICAA, convinced of the need to inform and educate the public, and also created the World Ocean Network. Philippe also serves on the Steering Committee of the Global Forum on Oceans, Coasts and Islands (instance following the decisions in favor of the global oceans sustainable development in Johannesburg).

Since 2018, Philippe is the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the International Aquarium Network (IAN).

Active Member

 ${f F}$ rancis VALLAT, Chairman and founder of the European Network of Maritime Clusters also founded and chaired the European Network of Marine Cluster and the Expedition 7° continent (against ocean pollution from plastic). For 10 years, he was also the Representative of France at the Board of EMSA (European Maritime Safety Agency) and Vice-chairman for 6 years.

He is the Honorary President of the French Institute of the Sea (Istitut francais de la mer) where he co-founded "The tuesdays of the sea and the French people", directed the journal Maritime, created the Jean Morin Prize, animated the National Days of the Sea then the Annual meeting of the maritime economy (which became the first maritime event of the European Union). He also actively chairs "SOS Mediterranée" which rescues migrants threatened with drowning.

Francis is still involved at the highest level in many national and European maritime issues. He is a member of the Navy Academy and Captain of Reserve Ship.

Finally, in late 2017, he received the prestigious "Global Lifetime Achievement Award" award by Lloyd's List (he is the first French citizen to receive this distinction since its creation).

# Francis Vallat



**Active Member** 

# Tumi Brando



**Active Member** 

Tumi BRANDO was born in Tahiti but spent all her youth on the Tetiaroa atoll. As Marlon Brando's grand-daughter, she cultivates the same passion for the protection of nature and is very attached to her atoll. After studying in Tahiti, Tumi returned to work in Tetiaroa as a Naturalist Guide and became Community Manager for Tetiaroa Society.

She develops many communication supports for the general public as well as educational tools related to the knowledge and preservation of the atoll and more generally to the Polynesian nature, to which she is very attached.

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Member of the Marine Academy, former Secretary General of the Grenelle de la Mer, Christian BUCHET manages the Center for Studies and Research on the Sea of the Catholic Institute of Paris. Scientific Director of the Oceanides Program, gathering 260 researchers from all over the world, he was the first editorialist to talk about sustainable development in the morning slot of Europe 1 radio station.

He notably published "Cap sur l'Avenir, Against the current. reasons to be optimistic" at the Editions du moment (2014), and "Marins of our lives, a spirituality of happiness" at Editions du Cerf (2015), and most recently in November 2017 "THE Great History Seen from the Sea" at Editions du Cherche-Midi.

# **Christian Buchet**



Active Member

### Jacques Rougerie



Active Member

 $\mathbf{V}$  isionary architect, Jacques ROUGERIE is passionate about the oceans. For more than 30 years, he has been basing his research on bionic architecture, inspired by marine biological forms, whose results are of importance for sustainable development. His work has highlighted the beauty and fragility of the seas and their fundamental role in the history of humanity.

He built underwater habitats, laboratories, marine research centers, vessels with transparent hulls, museums and underwater facilities. He also designed underwater villages and homes, combining his two passions: architecture and the ocean.

As a marine explorer, he tested his creations and lived several times under the seas. In particular, he participated in the world record of time spent under the sea in the United States: 69 days.

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