

## Innovation and the Ocean

**Patrick K. Sullivan, PhD, PE**  
Chairman, CEO & Founder  
Oceanit

**Watanabe 112**

**Wednesday, October 24**  
**3:30 - 4:30 pm Seminar**

### Abstract

Dr. Patrick Sullivan founded Oceanit in 1985, a self-funded “Mind to Market” company that produces technology from home-grown research, development and engineering, which employs over 160 scientists, engineers and professionals that provide innovative solutions in the fields of aerospace, energy, engineering, information technology and life sciences.

Dr. Sullivan, named Hawaii Business Magazine’s “2016 CEO of the Year,” brings over 38 years of entrepreneurial, start-up, business, and scientific experience to Oceanit’s “Mind-to-Market” business model that integrates “Design Thinking” for human-centered innovation with “Intellectual Anarchy™,” the art of disruptive innovation.

Dr. Sullivan has extensive experience on boards and commissions, including former board seats with the Ocean Research and Development Administration (ORDA), the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), the Center of Excellence for Research in Ocean Sciences (CEROS), and the National Electric Vehicle Demonstration program, both collaborations with DARPA. Dr. Sullivan served as the honorary consul to the Republic of Indonesia in Hawaii from 2001-2013.

Dr. Sullivan received his Ph.D. in Engineering from the University of Hawaii and his BS in Engineering from the University of Colorado, Boulder.