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## **IDS's Franssens Elected to WITSML Executive Team**

IDS, the largest provider of web-based daily reporting services to the upstream oil and gas industry, is pleased to announce that its General Manager, Douwe Franssens, has been elected to the newly created WITSML Executive Team. Under the WITSML Charter, the Executive Team will take an active role in guiding the advancement of the Special Interest Group and developing the standard and its adoption throughout the industry.

The team has already begun meeting to define priorities for the rest of the year and to plan the upcoming Special Interest Group working meeting, in Houston, at the end of September.

Douwe Franssens, General Manager at IDS, says: "IDS intends to play a very active role in supporting WITSML from both a business as well as a technical perspective. My election to the WITSML Executive Team will enable me to support the development of the standard. As a team, we hope to be able to ensure broader take-up of the standard by the industry. I believe strongly in the future of WITSML, as does IDS, and we are keen to assist its progress wherever possible."

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### **Notes for Editors**

#### **About IDS**

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