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### ABOUT UMC 2026

The 54<sup>th</sup> Underwater Minerals Conference will be hosted by the Japanese Institutions: JAMSTEC, JOGMEC, DORD, Osaka Metropolitan University and E&E Solutions. It will be held in-person at the Toyama International Conference Center, in Toyama, Japan. UMC offers five days of up-to-date information on underwater mineral exploration, environmental research, technology, policy and regulations. It brings together government, academia and industry leaders from over 25 countries. The UMC 2026 focus is:

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