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## SonTek/YSI People in the News

### Highlights

- Hakan Erdem, New SonTek Director of Operations
- Daryl Slocum, Promoted to YSI Director of Business Development and Strategic Projects
- John Romeo, Promoted to Director of Research and Development
- SonTek Founder, Ramon Cabrera, New YSI Technical Advisor

(San Diego, CA) **SonTek/YSI**, the international leader in the manufacturing of acoustic Doppler instrumentation for water velocity measurement in oceans, rivers, lakes, harbors, estuaries, and laboratories, announces one new hire and three key employee promotions, to support the company's rapid growth.

**Hakan Erdem** has joined SonTek as Director of Operations. Hakan was most recently the head of operations for Teledyne RD Instruments. He has hit the ground running, making an immediate impact in helping SonTek streamline operational efficiencies. Hakan's level of expertise in acoustic Doppler industry operations is extensive – starting his career as a Material Control Supervisor, and working his way up in various operational leadership capacities. Hakan has a B.S in Chemical Engineering.

The previous SonTek Director of Operations, **Daryl Slocum**, has accepted a promotion to Director of Business Development and Strategic Projects for YSI. Daryl brings many years of technical and business experience that YSI will leverage as the company explores strategic partnerships, acquisitions, and new growth opportunities for the entire company. Daryl has been at SonTek since 1997, and has a B.S. in Ocean Engineering

**John Romeo**, who joined SonTek mid-2006, has quickly demonstrated his skills and leadership in the R&D process, has been promoted to Director of Research and Development. John also came to SonTek from Teledyne RD Instruments. He has 19 years experience with all aspects of the acoustic Doppler business including engineering, marketing and manufacturing. John attended the University of San Diego and has authored numerous publications and papers on acoustic Doppler design and application.

With the promotion of John, former R&D Director (and Founder of SonTek) **Ramon Cabrera** assumes the role of Technical Advisor for YSI reporting to CEO/President, Rick Omlor. He has a B.S./M.S. in Physics, M.S. in Ocean Engineering, and an M.S. in Computer Science.

Additional information and other product news can be found at [www.sontek.com](http://www.sontek.com).

**SonTek/YSI**, founded in 1992 and advancing environmental science in over 100 countries, manufactures affordable, reliable acoustic Doppler instrumentation for water velocity measurement in oceans, rivers, lakes, harbors, estuaries, and laboratories. SonTek/YSI is headquartered in San Diego, California, and is part of YSI Inc., an employee owned company that provides monitoring and data collection instrumentation to global water quality, water quantity, and aquaculture markets.

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