

OMC founder recognised in Queen's Birthday list

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OMC International founder Terry O'Brien has been awarded an Order of Australia medal for services to the maritime transport industry.

Dr O'Brien founded the OMC shipping technology group in 1987 after more than two decades in academia with universities around the world.

The group's under-keel technology has since been adopted by ports around Australia as well as several international ports.

"This is a great personal honour but I accept it also on behalf of the entire OMC team whose expertise and dedication ensures that our innovative technology is taken up by industry and continues to be the world's best in this specialised field," Dr O'Brien said.

Rio Tinto's executive director and chief executive for iron ore, Sam Walsh, was made an Officer of the Order of Australia for his work in the mining sector and with the "community of Western Australia, particularly through employment programs supporting Indigenous communities".

Barry McCann was received an OAM for service to maritime communications in Tasmania.

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