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Liz Corbin has been with the Hawaii Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism for 26 years. From 2000 to 2006, she served as Ocean Resources Development Manager with responsibility for overseeing programs to support the sustainable development of ocean-related industries, primarily ocean science & technology, seafood marketing and ocean tourism. In 2006, the Branch was reorganized and the focus shifted to the development of Hawaii's science & technology industry sectors. The current emphasis is on ocean science and technology, life sciences, aerospace, applied optics, and sustainable energy.

She graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the University of Arizona with a B.S. in zoology and moved to Hawaii in 1971. Before joining DBEDT, she spent 10 years in various research and administrative support positions at the University's Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology.

Liz was president of the Hawaii Academy of Science in 1987/88. For many years, she was the secretary and meeting planner of the Hawaii Section of the Marine Technology Society and served as Executive Co-chair for OCEANS 2001 MTS/IEEE, which was held in Honolulu. She now serves as the national President-Elect of MTS. Liz serves on the PACON International, Inc. Board of Directors and Executive Committee. She represents the DBEDT Director on the Hawaii Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Committee, the Hawaii Invasive Species Council, and the Temporary Advisory Commission on Bioprospecting.