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Inland and Coastal to showcase pontoon innovation at Metstrade 2026

Inland and Coastal will return to Metstrade this November, showcasing how its expertise in floating structures is helping to redefine what pontoons can achieve, with a particular focus on specialist projects, bespoke engineering and innovative applications beyond traditional marina use.

Taking place from 17-19 November at RAI Amsterdam, the company will be exhibiting in Hall 9 on stand 09.126, in the new Marina & Yard zone – adjacent to the expanded Superyacht Zone.

While pontoons are naturally associated with providing somewhere to moor and access boats, Inland and Coastal is demonstrating how thoughtful design and engineering can create floating structures for a much wider range of purposes.

Recent examples include its swimming pool development at Banagher, specialist oyster pontoon at Glenarm in County Antrim and the pontoon supporting the Jeanie Johnston replica ship in Dublin.

The company has also delivered a range of accessibility pontoons designed to improve access to the water for disabled users, highlighting the important role that well-designed floating infrastructure can play in making waterfront spaces more inclusive, such as its latest project at Padstow Harbour in Cornwall.

This involved the installation of a bespoke heavy-duty concrete pontoon and 24m access gangway to replace the previous tidal slipway boarding arrangement for the Padstow–Rock ferry. The new facility provides a safer, more reliable way for passengers to board and disembark, with accessibility considerations informing the design from the outset. The project involved working with Geoff Holt MBE, whose experience as a disabled yachtsman helped inform and validate the accessibility approach.

“Pontoons are often thought of as just a place to tie up a boat, but their potential is so much greater than that,” says Ollie Shortall, Managing Director of Inland and Coastal. “Our specialist projects demonstrate just how adaptable these structures can be when

you start with the needs of the people who use them. Whether that's providing a safe swimming environment, supporting oyster cultivation or making the water more accessible to people with disabilities, every project presents its own challenges and opportunities.

"However, whatever the application, safety is always our number one priority. Every design must be driven by the intended use, the environment and the people who will depend on it. We take great pride in developing bespoke solutions that meet those requirements without compromising on quality, durability or safety."

Innovation across the industry

Alongside its specialist projects, Inland and Coastal will also be highlighting its wider capabilities in precast concrete technology, including GRC, heavy-duty pontoons and concrete breakwaters. These solutions demonstrate the strength and versatility of precast construction, offering durable floating and waterfront infrastructure for a broad range of marine applications.

Visitors to the stand will also be able to explore the company's ongoing involvement with Living Seawalls, with a dedicated pop-up showcasing the initiative and its approach to supporting marine biodiversity through innovative waterfront design.

"Metstrade is a great opportunity to talk about where the industry is heading and how we can respond to changing demands," adds Shortall. "We want visitors to see that we are not limited to standard pontoon designs. We enjoy the challenge of specialist projects and working closely with clients to develop solutions that are practical, safe and built to last."

The Inland and Coastal team will be available throughout the three-day exhibition to discuss its latest developments, share project experience and explore new opportunities with marina operators, marine professionals and waterfront developers.

Visitors can find Inland and Coastal on stand 09.126 in Hall 9 at RAI Amsterdam from 17-19 November 2026. To arrange a meeting with the team during the show, contact sales@inlandandcoastal.com

For more information on Inland and Coastal's full range of marina systems, specialist pontoons and access solutions, visit www.inlandandcoastal.com.

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About Inland and Coastal Marina Systems

- Inland and Coastal specialises in the design, manufacture and installation of commercial and
- leisure marina pontoon systems and concrete breakwaters.
- Inland and Coastal partners with marine operators, developers and harbour authorities to deliver bespoke, high-performance pontoon systems designed for safety, durability and long-term success.
- Clients include local and regional government, port and fishery authorities, marina operators, sports and recreational clubs, development consortiums, consulting engineers, architects and main contractors.
- Inland and Coastal is the exclusive UK & Ireland supplier of the award-winning Living Seawalls.
- The company secured JOSCAR Accreditation in January 2026.
- Inland and Coastal has been awarded ISO 14001 certification, an internationally recognised standard for organisations that meet the strict requirements for their Environmental Management Systems (EMS).
- Inland and Coastal works internationally and has three offices: Banagher (Ireland), Lossiemouth (Scotland) and Southampton (England).
- For more information on Inland and Coastal Marina Systems visit www.inlandandcoastal.com

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