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#### Step into the Spotlight: ICS Pitching Stage Now Open for Entries

The International Composites Summit (ICS) is inviting startups, spinouts, and scale-ups working in composites, advanced materials, and connected technologies to apply for a place on the new ICS **Pitching Stage**, which will take place at ICS 2025 on 2–3 December at The Drum, Wembley.

Designed to spotlight innovation and spark new connections, the ICS Pitching Stage will feature a programme of live startup pitches in front of an audience of investors, OEMs, Tier 1 suppliers, and corporate partners. Each selected company will give a short presentation, followed by live Q&A and networking opportunities across both days.

The ICS Pitching Stage is delivered and supported by Catalysium, who offer tailored support for startups and investors.

#### Why take part in the ICS Pitching Stage?

- Pitch your innovation to a room of relevant funders, partners, and decision-makers.
- Raise your profile with support from Catalysium and Fluency Exchange.
- Connect with strategic collaborators from sectors including aerospace, automotive, construction, marine, energy, and sports.
- Compete for the chance to **join an ICS Innovation Hub** at an international event in 2026, including marketing and exhibition support.

# Startups – apply to pitch:

https://internationalcompositessummit.com/engage/pitching-stage-startups/

#### Investors and industry – register your interest:

https://internationalcompositessummit.com/engage/pitching-stage-investors-corporate-partners/

"The ICS Pitching Stage is not just a platform to present. It's a gateway to meaningful engagement, expert support, and long-term growth," said Gemma Hardy, Managing Director at Composite Connections, a Fluency company and owner of ICS. "Together with Catalysium, we're building an ecosystem where innovation can connect directly with capital, knowledge, and opportunity."

ICS is operated by The Fluency Business Group, which consists of four core business units: Fluency Exchange, Fluency Marketing, Fluency Events and Fluency People. Together, these units connect innovators, investors, customers and industry partners to drive sustainable growth and meaningful collaboration.

## To learn more, visit:

https://internationalcompositessummit.com/engage/pitching-stage/

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### About the International Composites Summit (ICS):

The International Composites Summit (ICS) is a global platform for accelerating growth, investment, and innovation in advanced materials. Organised by **Composites Connections**, a platform of **The Fluency Business Group Ltd**, ICS brings together the full composites supply chain, from material innovators and start-ups to OEMs, Tier 1s, and investors.

With its UK-based flagship event and international Innovation Hubs, ICS is designed to create commercial impact, foster strategic connections, and support companies in scaling their technologies and global reach. Focused on high-value networking, investor engagement, and applied innovation, ICS is where the future of composites takes shape.