

## **METOL Wins ICS Pitching Competition with Breakthrough Thermoplastic Technology**

The International Composites Summit has announced METOL Ltd as the winner of the 2025 ICS Pitching Competition, held on 2 December on the Main Forum Stage. METOL was selected by an independent panel of judges following a series of five-minute pitches and audience Q and A sessions.

Founded in 2024 by composites specialist Gerry Boyce, METOL is developing a new generation of fully recyclable thermoplastic polymer materials designed to address one of the sector's most urgent challenges. The company's technology offers a high performance and circular alternative to traditional composites, enabling lighter, stronger and more resource efficient structures for construction, infrastructure and transport.

The judging panel assessed each finalist against five criteria covering innovation, market need, feasibility, industry impact and pitch clarity. METOL scored consistently higher across all categories.

Colin Leatham Locke, Operations Director at The Fluency Business Group and chair of the session, said: *"METOL presented a clear technical breakthrough supported by a strong commercial vision and a realistic plan for industrial adoption. Across all five criteria they achieved the most consistent high scores. Their approach to recyclable thermoplastic composites represents meaningful progress for manufacturers looking for performance, speed, scale and sustainability. We look forward to supporting their journey."*

Gerry Boyce, Founder of METOL, said: *"We are honoured to receive this recognition at ICS. Our team has worked hard to develop a thermoplastic system that performs at the highest level while enabling a circular lifecycle. The response from industry has been incredibly positive and this award confirms the importance of materials that deliver both performance and sustainability. We are excited for the next steps."*

As part of the prize, METOL will join the ICS Hub at JEC World in March 2026. The ICS Hub is a dedicated pavilion that brings together emerging innovators and high growth companies to showcase new technology to a global audience.

Companies interested in joining the pavilion can take advantage of the Black Friday offer. A place on the ICS Hub is available for 3750 pounds or 3950 pounds including a TV. Spaces can be reserved on a first come basis.

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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.