

CMAL announce appointment of new Projects Director

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Caledonian Maritime Assets Ltd (CMAL), who own the ferries, ports, harbours and infrastructure necessary for ferry services serving the west coast of Scotland and the Clyde Estuary, is pleased to announce the appointment of Andy Crossan as its new Senior Technical Manager and Project Director, with immediate effect.

Andy will be responsible for contributing to CMAL's overall vessel strategy and delivery programme, especially innovative fuel solutions, for example hydrogen, as part of the Hy Seas 2 project. Andy will also work with the existing CMAL team to manage future shipbuilding contracts and programmes, reporting to Andrew Duncan, Director of Vessels, who sits on CMAL's Board.

Andy, who has over 30 years' experience within the marine, subsea and shipbuilding industries, joins from James Fisher Defence, where he has had various roles since 2007. His last role, that he held for three years, was Production Director, which saw him responsible for manufacture, outfit and commissioning of saturation diving systems for dive support vessels.

Prior to this he was Projects Director, responsible for the design and build of manned submarine rescue vessels and deep search and rescue submersibles in the UK, Scandinavia, Australia and Asia.

Andy also spent seventeen years, from 1990 to 2007, at Ferguson Shipbuilders in Port Glasgow, latterly as Operations Director, where he was responsible for the delivery of all marine construction, new build, repair and conversion contracts.

Commenting on the new appointment, Tom Docherty, CEO of CMAL said: “Andy brings valuable know-how to CMAL and will be an asset to our management team. His industry knowledge of shipbuilding and marine engineering, coupled with his project and production management experience will be invaluable as we look to define more innovative solutions for our fleet of vessels.”

Andy Crossan commented: “I look forward to working with the team at CMAL to deliver the Scottish Government’s Ferries Plan and help achieve our goal to provide the most cost effective and innovative vessels for the communities we serve.”

Andy is a Fellow of the Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders in Scotland (EISIS) and studied Electrical Power Control and Electronic Design.

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Notes to Editors

1. CMAL own property at piers and harbours at more than 24 locations throughout Scotland and is embarking on a programme of investment and improvements which will create better facilities.
2. In addition to its pier and harbour facilities, CMAL owns 31 ferries and leases one other ferry, which are all chartered to CalMac Ferries Ltd.
3. CMAL is a publicly owned company, with Scottish Ministers as the sole shareholder.
4. For more information about CMAL visit: www.cmassets.co.uk