



Press release

Atlantic Port La Rochelle launches call for proposals “Your Atlantic Yachting Shipyard”

Centre of the French Atlantic coast, La Rochelle is a major tourist destination in France. Looking to the horizon and to the future, it hosts major international groups and positioned itself since a long time as a global centre of yachting. Its qualities make it a favourite destination for cruise lines and now for crews of large yachts as well.

Atlantic Port La Rochelle launches “Your Atlantic Yachting Shipyard” operation, with the objective of selecting a team of project promoters for the industrialisation of the existing activity of large yachts refitting at its Shipbuilding and Repair Centre.

The Shipbuilding and Repair Centre (PRCN in French) is a fully enclosed site located in the secure enclosure of Atlantic Port La Rochelle. With exceptional facilities and a unique position in the middle of the Atlantic coastline, the development of this site has made much progress over the past five years, from an exclusive ship repair activity for fishing vessels and facilities for passenger ships to large yachts.

The project selected at the end of the bidding process will be an opportunity to create an entire industrial sector: refit, wintering, hosting of crews, services, training, offices...



Photo: Bernard Henry

The candidates of this call for proposals can freely set out their project in a large area with multiple sites of the Port:

- The Shipbuilding and Repair Centre (PRCN): the site includes the current infrastructures supporting the activity (two dry-docks, careening place)
- The site of the 519th Train Regiment: former military site with a slipway, a pontoon and workshops
- The wet dock: currently used for docking merchant vessels, the activity of this site is expected to decline over the medium term. It may then be used for docking large yachts
- Complementary additional sites: the submarines base, the roofed lock, the platform north of the wet dock and some buildings complete the offer.

The call for proposals is open to all companies or group of companies. It is available at the following address: <http://www.larochelle.port.fr/nous-connaître/actualites/201-appel-a-projet-refit.html>

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