



It's been a fabulous 2014 at SMAR Azure!

Here is a quick summary.

We kicked off the year with the launch of v. 3 of RigEdge, which has dramatically improved the rig design and analysis experience. Apart RINA Service, RigEdge is now used by Lloyd's Register for the certification of yacht's rigs.

We released 3 new versions of AzureProject: the sail design software, now being used by more than 200 users worldwide. We also introduced the PAYD license scheme to ease the application in any loft.

Then, the British America's Cup team - Ben Ainslie Racing (BAR) contracted SMAR Azure to contribute to the AC62 wing-sail rig and catamaran structural design.

We ended the 2014, with an overwhelming METS2014, where we celebrated the company's 10th anniversary.

Next year, we have great plans that we are rolling out... not only in the enhancing our current products, but also in developing innovative green technologies.

PRODUCTS NEWS

Img2Des – release
 Img2Des allows the user to measure a flying sail shape from any digital pic or image of a sail. Full release will be available in Jan- 2015

AzureProject v4.5 released
 Some of the new features are:

- Advanced Production sheet
- Luff Curve - Sail Shape Interaction
- Lateral luff curve

RigEdge, the rig design software
 Recently added features include:

- quick multi-hull rig configuration design
- possibility to add deflectors and jumpers
- production data available in real time

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METS 2014

SMAR Azure THANKS all visitors to our stand and all attendees of our open talk and 4th AzureProject User Group meeting.

Special thanks to our guest speaker: **Mr. Andy Cloughton, the Technical Director of Ben Ainslie Racing, the British America's Cup team.**



4th AzureProject User-Group meeting - Ams Nov 14

Over a dozen of designers from all around the world participated in the 4th annual AzureProject User-Group meeting. Led by Donald MacVicar, the SMAR Azure's CTO, it offered the opportunity for an open discussion regarding the 2014 developments and future ones.



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Open Talk with Andy Cloughton - Ben Ainslie Racing Technical Director

On Wed the 19th of Nov, Andy Cloughton discussed the challenges of the America's Cup box rules.

The main challenges presented by the AC62 box rules are in developing a fast and maneuverable wing-sail catamaran, within the one-design weight rules constraints. Andy also discussed that a current challenge is transforming the AC45 catamaran, by adding foils, to help the sailing team developing the necessary skills to win the forthcoming cup.

Andy pointed out how important was to know the location, not only from a design point of view but also to close important commercial sponsorship deals. At the time of the presentation, the location of the next America's Cup was still unknown (N.o.E: the 2017 America's Cup race will be run in the Bermuda Isles.)

ICOMIA Technical Seminar: SAIL-RIG plan design: Be right first time!

Sabrina Malpede, SMAR Azure CEO, discussed the challenges of optimal sail and rig plan design at the Innovation LAB at METS14.



SMAR Azure will be closed on: the 25th and 26th Dec 2014 and the 1st and 2nd Jan 2015.