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National Matters Update by Ireland

IMO member State III Code Audit – Conducted in Ireland in May 2024. No fundings on Aids to Navigation and the Audit Team provided very positive feedback on Ireland's compliance with SOLAS Convention.

New Marine Spatial Planning legislation in Ireland (2021) – Irish Lights is now a proscribed body and is developing new guidance and conditions for Aids to Navigation for offshore wind farms.

Irish Lights is collaborating with National Weather Service - Launch of new National Flood Forecasting System due in July 2024

- 21 new wave sensors are being deployed on existing navigation buoys by Met Éireann and Irish Lights around the coast of Ireland.
- The sensors will collect detailed data on wave height and direction, wind speed and patterns, as well as sea surface temperature variations.
- The new sensors will significantly increase the volume and accuracy of wave modelling data, accurate predictions and early warnings, which will help to mitigate flood risks and protect coastal communities.
- The deployment will begin immediately and be completed by the end of 2025.

Irish Lights will launch its Climate Action Roadmap to 2030 in July 2024

Irish Lights developing a New Organisational Data Management Strategy to ensure readiness for adoption of S100/200.

Elaine Fitzgerald (Data Analyst) - is attending ARM and will attend the IHO/IALA workshop on S100/S200 in Annapolis, US in September.

Irish Lights will continue to contribute to ARM (Joe Daly), DTEC (Ronan Boyle) and ENG (Chris Scully and Clodagh Hanratty). In 2025 Irish Lights hold the following IALA events.