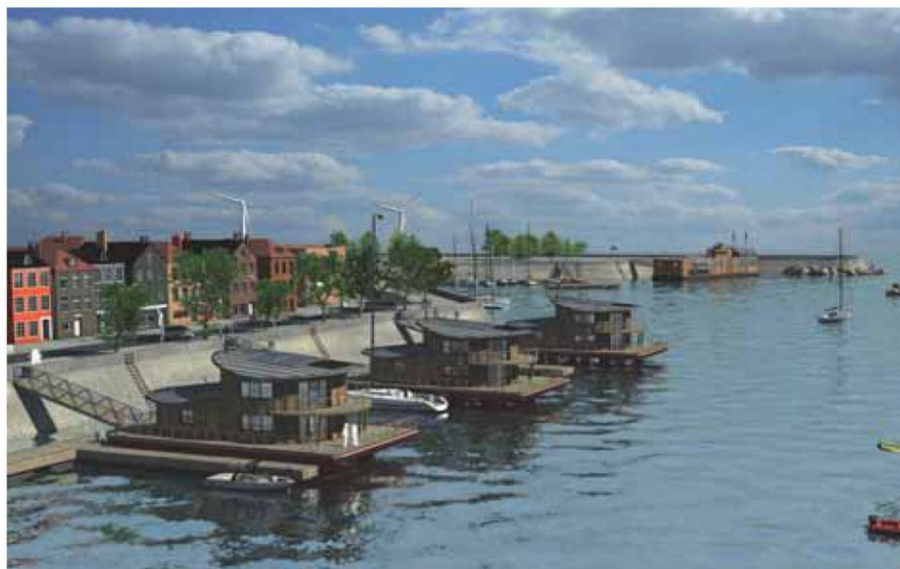


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Floating buildings for unlikely sites

Larantide floating buildings can easily be integrated into urban landscapes.

Drawing on experience gained in a variety of different industries, French engineering company Larantide autonomie has released a range of ecologically friendly floating buildings specifically designed for difficult environmental conditions.

The company focuses on integrating floating buildings into urban areas that have not been considered suitable for construction, such as wetland, marsh, flood lands, marine zones, lakes, disused mining sites etc.

All buildings are tailor-made to client requirements and can be entirely self-sufficient. The level of autonomy varies for each individual project, from simple connections to local facilities to full self-sufficiency. Renewable energy can be used to provide a wide range of functions, including: waste water management; drinking water; domestic hot water; renewable energy systems; heating systems; electricity – interconnection, production and storage; energy storage; ventilation; and air conditioning.

Custom-made floating platforms can host several types of facilities. These include housing units, offices, marina facilities (bathrooms, laundry rooms, club houses), restaurants, floating villages, technical installations for aquaculture or other specific projects. A 'plug and play' system allows the building to have multiple functions and be as large as required. Each individual project is developed according to the

objectives of the client and the site conditions.

Platforms and buildings are designed to resist harsh weather conditions such as strong winds and ice pressure and are constructed using traditional, sustainable and recyclable materials. Each project is designed to meet the security requirements of floating buildings and is certified by a classification society. The floating platforms are constructed of high-performance concrete, steel or bio-composites with low density.

Larantide aims to provide the customer with full control over the lifecycle of the building, which it believes is the key to providing long lasting floating building solutions. The maintenance of buildings is managed without dry docking the whole structure, due to the use of temporary additional floats. All designs are optimised to fit the best compromise between comfort, functionality, environmental impact and budget to create adapted living – and quality working – areas.

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