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Belgian/US Americana/folk band Old Salt were also making their first appearance at Omagh and it quickly became apparent why they won a European World of Bluegrass award in 2017. Led by American Daniel Wall (clawhammer banjo), they are a whirlwind of bluegrass, folk, jazz and old time influences, all delivered with a dynamism and a respect for the tradition. Ghent musicians Lotte Remmen on fiddle, Lara Rosseel on upright bass and Johannes Wannyn on guitar were able partners in crime in the current collective's line up - their sets were broad ranging and their musicianship was tight. They performed many traditional songs and tunes, but made them their own and they explained the provenance of most of their choices. Both Lara and Lotte have built on their classical training to produce a lush string sound and the band's harmonies were flawless. About to release their second album, we hope they will be back soon.