

Nerak Wiese appoints new Head of Projects

In response to growing demand for its vertical elevation solutions, Nerak Wiese has expanded its team with the appointment of Simon Barrett as Head of Projects.

A graduate in Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering from the University of Portsmouth and a member of the Institute of Mechanical Engineers (IMechE), Simon is highly qualified for the role. As Head of Projects, he will be responsible for the project management of a wide range of vertical conveying solutions for clients handling both unit loads and bulk solids. Commented John Oakley, Managing Director of Nerak Wiese, "We're delighted to welcome Simon to the team. He brings with him a wealth of experience in the design and delivery of bespoke engineering solutions."

Simon Barrett joins Brecon-based Nerak Wiese from his role as Design Manager for the world-leading fluid clarification specialist, Pall Europe Ltd, prior to which he



was a Project Manager for the same company. A keen hockey player and triathlete, Simon is not short of energy or enthusiasm. "I'm really looking forward to the challenge of applying my engineering and management skills in new sectors of industry," he said.

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Indigo expands division

Indigo Software announces the appointment of Mike Chadwick as a new supply chain consultant, to help advise customers on how to improve their warehouse operations and manage the implementation of Indigo's warehouse management software (WMS).

Prior to joining Indigo, Mike was a business consultant at IBS and specialised in implementing WMS software developed for paper

manufacturing companies in Europe and America.

Mike Chadwick joins a strong team of supply chain consultants at Indigo, all of whom have extensive real-world logistics experience. The team also includes Haydn Costin, who joined Indigo from HighJump Software and has previously implemented WMS solutions for BT, Marks & Spencer, Unilever, Superquinn and Littlewoods Stores.

ILOY AWARD 2016

World's best industrial trucks and intralogistics solutions

There were once again major celebrations when the all-important words - "And the IFOY Award goes to..." were spoken at the beginning of CeMAT. The names of the winners of the "Intralogistics Oscars" are traditionally a well-kept secret, and even the winners are kept in the dark until the last minute. There were 13 trucks and solutions that reached the finals of the international "Intralogistics Oscars": In the end, BYD, Crown, Jungheinrich and SSI Schäfer won the prestigious IFOY Awards in five categories and were presented with the metal and glass trophies to the applause from the 350 guests.

In a tight finish, victory in the category "Counter Balanced Truck up to 3.5 tons" went to the 1.8-ton ECB 18C electric forklift from BYD. In the 80-volt lithium-ion stacker, the international jury selected a Chinese made-vehicle as the world's best forklift truck of the year for the first time. The determining factor was the overall package offered by the European-type Chinese truck in combination with the value added by the battery technology. Its iron phosphate battery is a genuine USP. It can be recharged extremely fast, as often as needed and without memory effect, which means it can handle three-shift duty without any problem. All that needs to be done is to charge the forklift during the breaks.

Jungheinrich had twofold reason to celebrate. The winner in the category "Special Vehicle", part of the IFOY Award for the first time in 2016, was the EQ 325. The purpose-built vehicle from Jungheinrich special build design department was



developed for the Deutsche Bahn rail company to permit the loading and separation of the wheel sets for the ICE trains and the wheel set changer. The solution is made up of standard components and impressed the jury above all with its precision. This kind of combination is extremely sophisticated in technical terms and has never before been realised in this form in the segment of industrial trucks.

The Hamburg-based company won its second IFOY in the category "Warehouse Truck highlifter" with the Jungheinrich EKX 516, an 80-volt highlifter. The man-up truck lifts loads of up to 1,600 kg to heights of 17.5 metres. The jury named the high degree of innovation as the main reason for its choice.

The IFOY Award in the category "Warehouse Truck lowlifter" went to the newly developed Crown RT 4020 forklift truck with driver platform from Crown. This vehicle is designed for demanding applications and can lift up to two tons. The key factor in the decision of the jury was the

outstanding productivity of the vehicle in the tightest of spaces. "The high-powered three-phase drive system, the compact design and the intuitive and highly responsive control elements make the RT the perfect stacker for narrow and busy areas", were the reasons given by the jury.

In a neck-and-neck finish, the IFOY in category "Intralogistics Solution" was won by SSI Schäfer. For the in-plant logistics operations of the NextLevel Logistik GmbH company near Schweinfurt, the Swiss provider created a fleet solution complete with Weasel® driverless transport systems. Whether it be for containers, cartons, trays or other products of widely varying sizes up to a weight of 35kg - Weasel handles all the transport jobs between goods receipt, the workplaces and goods dispatch through to waste disposal. In contrast to conventional AGVs, it does without sophisticated sensor technology or complex control systems.

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Friday 24 June 2016, Exhibition Centre Liverpool
Kings Dock, Liverpool Waterfront, Liverpool, L3 4FP

Join industry leaders, opinion formers and key policymakers at this event on the day after the UK's referendum on EU membership to discuss key events and opportunities with regard to international maritime trade. The great historic maritime city of Liverpool is experiencing a renaissance, in part the direct result of increased international trade flow and exports. Now it plays host to the International Festival for Business - the world's foremost biennial business event which sees groundbreaking deals and partnerships forged.

Come and learn what the widening of the Panama Canal, TTP and the 'Northern Powerhouse' mean for global, European and UK trade, make new contacts and access new opportunities in order to gain a competitive edge.

AGENDA	
<p>07:30 BREAKFAST BRIEFING: Launch of the UK's new comprehensive new approach of global and UK export opportunities in the marine and maritime sector.</p> <p>09:00 OPENING: Chair: Rebecca Hamlyn MBE, MP, Minister of State, Department of Transport Director of IFOY and CEO of IFOY of the Year</p> <p>09:30 SESSION 1: The Global Dimension</p> <p>The Jamaica Logistics Hub Innovation Jones, Jamaica Trade Invest</p> <p>First Panama Trade Opportunities His Excellency Ambassador F. Pellegrino Panama Maritime Services Ltd</p> <p>TTP Opportunities - a multilateral perspective Andrew Gillman, Gibraltar Maritime Export Ltd</p> <p>The Maritime Silk Road Gao Junping, Secretary General of the National Office of Logistics Management, Singapore</p>	<p>10:00 LUNCH With live-to-air coverage and networking</p> <p>10:30 SILENT AUCTION Auctioneer: Mark Gill, Chairman of IFOY Auction place in the centre of the Exhibition Centre</p> <p>14:00 SESSION 2: The UK's Northern Powerhouse - Bridging the Gap</p> <p>Transport for the North & Midlands Single Strategy David Hines</p> <p>Chief Executive of Transport for the North How can 'Connected' help to regenerate the UK economy? Patrick Hether, Paul Hunt, Group Commercial Director</p> <p>The Pan-North Corridor Lord Prescott Industry Perspective: TBC</p>
<p>10:45 BREAK AND NETWORKING</p> <p>11:15 SESSION 2: The European Dimension</p> <p>EU Maritime Policy DG MARITIME</p> <p>Masterplan of the Sea Programme & Capital Funding for Maritime Infrastructure Dean Sturgeon, UK, European Commissioner</p> <p>ATLANTIS: From a global, up of British Trade and Maritime in America, Director of Trade Director of Commerce and Industry</p> <p>Industry Perspective: Mike Huggins, Managing Director of Diversis UK & Ireland (Process Industries and Diversis)</p>	<p>15:45 BREAK AND NETWORKING</p> <p>16:15 PLenary</p> <p>Keynote Conclusion: Lizanne Phipps OBE Chair of the Transport Select Committee</p> <p>Chair's Summary: Graham Myles, Global Industry Director of IFOY and CEO of Logistics of the Year</p> <p>17:00 DRINKS RECEPTION</p> <p>17:30 IFS AFTER HOURS PROGRAMME</p>

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Midland Lead commits to emissions reductions with £122k investment

Midland Lead, leading British manufacturer of machine cast lead, has invested £122,000 into supply chain upgrades, in a move that marks part of a wider drive to support emissions reductions in the UK.

A substantial part of overall investment has seen the firm welcome five state-of-the-art, environmentally-friendly forklifts on site, including four Hangcha XF25s and a Hangcha XAC425. The new forklifts run on Autogas (LPG), known as a 'green fuel' due to its use reducing CO2 exhaust emissions by around 15% compared to petrol.

MD Boudewijn Tuinbergen explains: "There's no doubt that greenhouse gas emissions are on the rise - and supply chains make up a substantial part of a company's footprint that's often much larger than operational emissions.

"As well as supporting the Government's environmental policies, we know business leadership and a commitment to managing energy usage are vital for companies like ours in order to make a positive change. Reducing carbon emissions also makes good business sense - saving money, and often coming hand in hand with risk reduction, innovation and a

clear competitive advantage."

Alongside the forklifts' environmental benefits, the new fleet has also been installed with a Keytroller TDS601 system. Supplied and fitted by Transmon Engineering Ltd, the technology works to further improve Midland Lead's production facility, in terms of efficiency and safety.

Karl Nicolson, engineering and maintenance manager, explains the key benefits: "Offering increased site safety, the system allows us to keep in constant communication via Wi-Fi, providing real-time information, and automatically generated reports and alerts. It also allows our truck maintenance procedures to go paper-free."

Bob Warner, Sales Manager at Transmon Engineering, adds: "Midland Lead's team are very health and safety conscious, which is why they approached us. The TDS601 dramatically improves site safety and reduces damage from increased accountability. They have also been fitted with the Road Speed Controller, which, along with the Keytroller TDS601, helps to reduce exhaust emissions by encouraging safe driving habits and fuel wastage."



In addition to the new forklifts, the company has also upgraded three of its existing H120D Linde 12-tonne trucks by fitting them with the same TDS601 system, along with cameras and a GreenUrban Diesel Particulate Filter (DPF), which captures fumes and reduces emissions by 90-96%.

With more changes geared towards further emissions reductions on the horizon, Karl adds: "With the Government's 2020 drive for vehicles to be more energy efficient, we're looking to get ahead of the game and start making a difference now, to drastically reduce, if not eliminate, diesel emissions at Midland Lead."

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