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IPAF ELEVATION FOR GERMANY AND AUSTRIA

The inaugural two-day IPAF Elevation Deutschland und Österreich event was held on January 31st at the Motorworld venue in Munich.

In total 160 people attended the event over the two days, starting with a welcome address from Janina Hintermayer, the new regional manager for Germany and Austria, followed by chief executive Peter Douglas discussing IPAF's regional growth along with head of safety, Brian Parker. Kai Schliephake of Partner Lift - the association of independent regional rental companies - then spoke on the opportunities and pitfalls of the digital era, followed by Clemens Kube's on individual responsibility in safety protocols.

On day two, presentations included floor loading capacities by IPAF's Roger Schaffner, while IPAF auditor Katrin Blau provided updates on audit procedures and developments. Janina Hintermayer spoke about the new IPAF operator course, while Kathrin Stocker provided insights into the new TRBS 1116 guidelines. For a change of pace Ruthmann engineer Nico Krekeler spoke on the opportunities and challenges of electric power for truck mounted lifts and Frank Hotz



spoke of common misconceptions surrounding occupational health and safety. Reinhard Willenbrock looked back on two decades of developing IPAF's presence in the German speaking market with Romina Vanzi wrapping up with an overview of ongoing developments and initiatives.

Janina Hintermayer said: "We are thrilled by the turnout for the event and range of speakers. As I take over from Reinhard Willenbrock, I look forward to continuing driving innovation and growth in the region."

INTERNATIONAL AWARDS FOR POWERED ACCESS 2024

The shortlist for this year's International Awards for Powered Access (IAPAs) have been announced, with the winners revealed on 14th March in Copenhagen, Denmark, following the annual IPAF Summit and Annual General Meeting.

The shortlisted companies and winners in red are:

Access rental company of the year:

AFI-Uplift - UK
Dayim Equipment Rentals - Saudi Arabia
Kiloutou - France
Mills - Brazil

Contribution to safe working at height:

Electroelsa - Parachute device
Gravity Joe - Pneumatic balancer
Haulotte - Fastn
Sunbelt Rentals - Projects & initiatives

The sustainability award:

CTE - MP 20 Ev
Dingli - 'Future Factory'
Niftylift - Hydrogen-Electric (H2E)
Trackunit - Emissions Reporting

Digital development award:

Cramo - Equipment Pool
JCB - LiveLink
Kiloutou - YOUSE
Transgrua - QR/NFC equipment check

Equality diversity & inclusion:

Dayim Equipment Rental - Saudi Arabia



Dinolift - Finland
Mills - Brazil
Terex - International

IAPA innovative technology prize:

Dingli - BT44ERT
France Elevateur - Live line truck mount
Trackunit - Access Management System
Trojan Battery Company - AES batteries

IPAF member only categories:

IPAF training centre of the year:

HSS Training - UK
Mills - Brazil
Nationwide Platforms - UK
Speedy Support Services - UK

IPAF training instructor of the year:

Brian Sneddon - Nationwide Platforms
Jose Ramon Etxebarria Urrutia - Plataformas Daryat
Peter Hazell - AFI
Wagner Silva dos Santos de Andrade - Mills

Product of the year categories:

Mastclimbers/hoists:
Alimak - Vectio 650

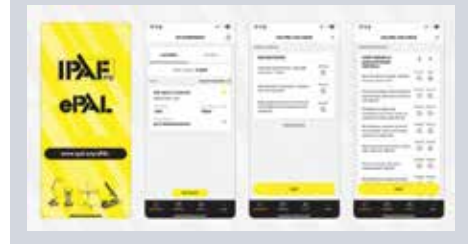
UPDATES TO EPAL APP

The ePAL app has been updated to introduce the ability to conduct, record and share pre-use checks for aerial work platforms.

Features of the ePAL app:

- Guided and non-guided pre checks: Digital versions for assessments in adherence to manufacturer guidelines.
- Exportable pre-use checks: Operators can export and maintain records of checks.
- Visual warning for failed checks: Alerts if a machine fails the pre-use check.
- Digital logbook: An overview of operating experience on various machines.
- Machine familiarisation record: Keep a record of machine familiarisation, enhancing operator proficiency. Share machine work logs using device sharing tools.
- Safety guides access: Operator and site safety guides are available.
- Digital training records: A digital wallet to store IPAF licences and qualifications, including the PAL Card.
- Reporting accidents and near misses: Quick and anonymous reports can be made.

Peter Douglas said: "We believe these enhancements will empower operators, ensuring they have the latest safety information available, while simplifying crucial processes in their daily operations."



Electroelsa - ELSA P46
Maber Hoist - Lift Shaft Hoist

Scissor lifts & vertical masts:

Almac - Bibi 1090 Primo
Dingli - JCPT1612PA
Faraone - Elevah 6
Platform Basket - Heron 10

Self-propelled booms and atrium lifts:

Dingli - BT44ERT
Niftylift - HR15 H2E
Palazzani - TTZJ 58
Platform Basket - Spider 54
Teupen - LE027GTplus

Vehicle/trailer mounted:

Palfinger - P 280 CK Edrive
Ruthmann - Steiger T 1000 HF
Socage - forSte 16A Speed
Versalift Denmark - V-200

IPAF/Access international lifetime achievement award:

Two awards were made:

Davide Palazzani of Italian spider lift manufacturer Palazzani

Ken McDougall formerly of Skyjack and Linamar
For more information about the awards and the IPAF Summit, along with associated events, visit the www.iapa-summit.info website.