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# Review of IMHX 2016

## NEC Birmingham – 13/16 September



With over 400 exhibitors, IMHX, the materials handling event held every three years, has returned back to the glory days pre-recession. Covering five halls of the National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham plus a dedicated outside area, IMHX 2016 was loaded with the sector's main players showcasing their collective products and services. As well as the trade stands, information and open discussion seminars were staged, while the headline topping event was the heats of the RTITB International Forklift Operator of the Year Competition in Hall 9.

*Jarlath Sweeney and Leonard Allison captured the activities during the four-day event.*

### B&B Attachments



Based in Northumberland and established for over 35 years, B&B Attachments provides the most comprehensive range of attachments from one service provider. In recent times ancillary systems have been added to its catalogue such as cameras and weighing systems.

### Bravi Platforms



A business that started in 1980 is now global leader in handling systems at low heights. It had a range of Low Level Access compact stock pickers on display, with company representatives on hand to highlight the good value on offer, new and used.

### Bito Storage Systems



With blue chip clientele from supermarket chains to automotive producers, collectively they will be interested in Bito's latest driverless intralogistics transport solutions that do not require a permanent specially built pathway. LEO Locative is a low level AGV.

### Calor Gas



Calor, as we know, is a main supplier of LPG, but now has become Europe's first supplier of BioLPG, that is propane produced from sustainable and renewable materials, allowing logistics and transport operators to reduce their CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.



## SHOW STOPPERS Combilift premieres new developments



Safety and convenience were the main themes at the impressive Combilift stand, with entertainment thrown in for good measure. Live demonstrations of the new Combilift Safe-Lift showed how drivers can avoid the pitfalls of tip-over-loading. The Monaghan firm's new Combi-Counterbalanced Stacker (Combi-CS) model takes the multidirectional forklift to a new level, into the world of pedestrian operated trucks. This walk behind stacker can work in the smallest operating aisles and has a capacity of 1000 kg @ 500 m.

## SHOW STOPPERS Continental Tyres has big grip



The Continental CST division of the German headquartered tyre component and services manufacturer and provider supplies a broad range of solid and pneumatic tyres for the materials handling sector. From the RT20/RV20 to the C520 and mileage + and CS Easy, all applications are catered for from the chemical sector to the food services industry. Then, the afterlife continues with Conti LifeCycle, its retreaded solid rubber tyre. Expert advice and guidance is provided by the dealer network under Continental Industrial Fleet Services.

## SHOW STOPPERS Crown's New WAV

No, it's not a new fashion trend but the WAV 60 Work Assist Vehicle from Crown, one of the world's leading manufacturers in material handling, made its debut here. Offering increased safety, efficiency and flexibility in the retail and manufactur-



ing arena, this is genuinely a multi-purpose machine. Also on show on Crown's 440 sq.m stand was a selection from its pallet truck, stackers, the aforementioned Man-up trucks, reach trucks and counter balance trucks. Also demonstrated was Crown's QuickPick Remote Order Picking Technology. It optimises order pick productivity using remote control systems and 'magic glove'.

## Dematic



Dematic gave live demonstrations of some of its automated picking systems integrating its RapidPick, RapidPut & Multishuttle technology. These modular systems can be modified quickly to meet peak demands. Packing benches were also displayed.

## SHOW STOPPERS Doosan celebrates 120 years



Doosan is one of the leading global manufacturers of forklift trucks and showcased its latest 7-series range, with 16 trucks on show. Dominating its stand was the new Doosan 25-tonne diesel forklift. This machine is ideally suited to

the steel industry, ports, container and cabin handling, and heavy manufacturing industries. Its 3 and 4 wheel electric trucks powered by 48-volt & 80-volt systems were premiered too. Sister company, Bobcat, brought along its latest new model, an agg-spec tele-handler T35105, catering for the construction, recycling and agricultural industries. Live Fleet Management System with interactive display, and the Doosan Virtual Reality System were shown.

## Fronius



Battery charging systems is what Fronius does, providing a vast range of products and services. One of the highlights is the Ri charging process, which reduces energy loss at the beginning of the charging cycle and during the recharging phase, thereby lowering costs.

## HC Forklifts



Corby based HC offers a full range of materials handling equipment from 1.5 to 25 tonnes. These include a comprehensive line of warehouse machines, designed to a high standard, built in China by Hangcha - one of the world's largest forklift truck manufacturers.

## Hoppecke



Did you know that Hoppecke is the largest battery manufacturer in European ownership? As a global company, customers are in a position to benefit from the latest concepts and technology so that power supply is available for every industrial application.

## Hörmann



When it comes to industrial doors of all shapes and sizes, Hörmann is the man! The German brand also specialises in loading bay technology, producing loading houses and dock levellers, shelters and seals for the logistics sector, plus a repair and maintenance service.

## SHOW STOPPERS

### Hyster meets all 'tough' demands



'Tough trucks from Hyster' was the emphatic message from the North American corporation for promoting its various applications. Its products meet the needs of many facets of the supply chain, from ship to shore to store to the factory floor. The latest Hyster Cool truck was premiered at IMHX where the H2.0-3.5ft forklift has been adapted for the recycling and paper industries. "With built quality and toughness, the broad range of Hyster trucks ensures that the right truck can be chosen for the specific need, no matter how big," said Kate Pointeau, Hyster Brand Manager.