



New CES reachstacker features variable telescopic wheelbase

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Containerhandling Equipment & Solutions (CES) presented its new heavy-duty reachstacker, the VRS-K, which boasts a lifting capacity of 150 tonnes, during an event at its factory near Verona, Italy.

CES will deliver two of the new reachstackers to Scottish wind turbine tower manufacturer CS Wind's offshore tower manufacturing facility in Campbeltown, which was developed as the result of a multi-million dollar investment

from Dong Energy.

CS Wind will use the new 150-tonne capacity machines to handle wind tower components at its UK factory.

The new reachstacker forms part

of CES' heavy-duty series, which offers a load capacity ranging from 125 to 250 tonnes.

According to Nicolas Huthloff, managing director of CES, the new reachstacker is an industry first, not just due to its high lifting capacity but also its variable telescopic wheelbase, which allows for up to seven different wheelbases and capacities in one machine.

In addition, CES' new heavy-duty reachstacker has a modular design consisting of easy exchangeable power and supply boxes on the side of the machine.

Huthloff explained to visitors at the Verona factory that it is also possible to quickly and easily change the attachments on the versatile reachstacker.

Cost savings

Huthloff said he believes significant cost savings can be made by using the VRS-K reachstacker for both the lifting and transport of heavy lift cargoes, compared with current methods involving self-propelled modular transporters (SPMT) and crawler cranes.

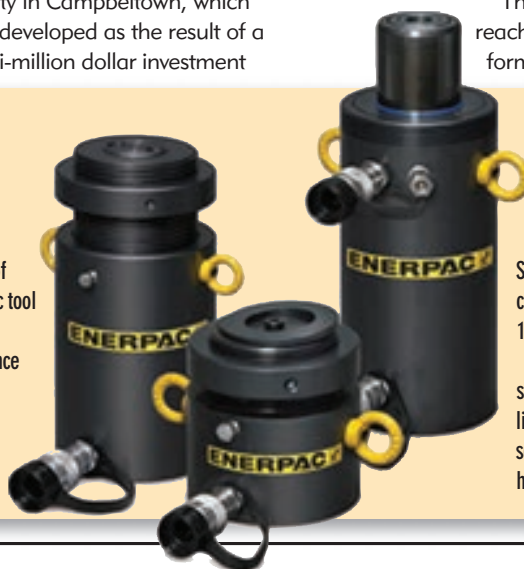
Although the first units are intended for use in the offshore wind industry, Huthloff told HLPFI that CES believes the reachstacker could revolutionise a number of other heavy industries, including the oil and gas sector.

The Germany-headquartered company also manufactures a number of other specialist reachstackers for use in the bulk and container handling businesses. **HLPFI**

Enerpac hits the summit

Enerpac has launched its Summit Edition range of high tonnage cylinders (HTC), which the hydraulic tool manufacturer claims offer outstanding durability, longer service life, and greater side-load resistance for increased heavy lift capability.

According to Enerpac, the cylinder range was developed to meet an increasing demand for heavier lifts in harsher environments.



The cylinders feature advanced bearing and sealing technology, with a nitrocarburation surface treatment for improved load and wear resistance, and corrosion protection.

The range of HTC includes: the HCG-Series, HCR-Series, HCL-Series, and the LPL-Series – with lifting capacity ranging from 50 tons (45.4 tonnes) to 1,000 tons (907.2 tonnes).

Other features of the cylinders include: mechanical securing of the load; side load absorption; certified lifting eyes for safe handling; an overflow port and safety valve; and a collar thread and base mounting holes to securely attach the load.