

# Steady growth to new records

A record number of 137,429 people were trained by IPAF-approved training centres during 2014 - up 7.9 percent on 2013. The number of PAL operator cards issued also increased by seven percent to a record number of 130,230 PAL cards issued worldwide.

There are now more than 640 IPAF-approved training centres around the world and more than half a million valid PAL cards in circulation. Training available from IPAF-approved centres, includes operator courses for which a PAL card is issued, along with harness and management courses for which a certificate is issued. At the end of 2014, IPAF had a total of 1,109 members from 53 countries.



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## Summit speakers confirmed

IPAF has confirmed the list of speakers at this year's Summit in Washington, DC, on 26th March. Frank Nerenhausen of JLG, will discuss emerging technologies and their potential application in the access industry in his presentation 'Gimmicks or the next reality'.

Other speakers and topics will include Jordan Barab, deputy assistant secretary of labor and second in command at OSHA, who will give a presentation on the battle to prevent falls from height, Riwal chief executive Norty Turner, on rental operations in emerging powered access markets and Industrial Access (Romania) chief executive Stefan Ponea, who will discuss how new technology is being used to combat crime.



Jordan Barab



Frank Nerenhausen

Up Makine marketing and sales manager Sibel Aygül will provide a talk on uncovering new powered access markets, while Audrey Courant and Joanne Ulnick of Ducker Research will provide the statistics behind the access rental sector as well as providing IPAF's forecasts for the coming year.

Other topics include IPAF's Smart PAL card, the impact of new legislation and standards, eLearning and how to prevent fatal injuries when working near power lines. To see the full programme and speaker

information, or to register, visit: [www.iapf-summit.info](http://www.iapf-summit.info)

## UK member event

Save the date for the IPAF UK member event on 15th October 2015. For more information see: [www.iapf.org/events](http://www.iapf.org/events)



(L-R) Daniel Duclos, Alastair Robertson, Chris Wraith, Søren Rosenkrands and Alexandre Saubot

## IAPA shortlist revealed

The shortlist for this year's International Awards for Powered Access (IAPAs) has been revealed, following the judges' meeting in Paris, France.

The independent judging panel included:

- Alan Dotts, sales manager - special products, Toyota Material Handling,
- Daniel Duclos, owner of French manufacturer ATN
- Alastair Robertson, owner of Universal Equipment
- Søren Rosenkrands, chief operations officer of Riwal
- Alexandre Saubot, chief operating officer of Haulotte
- Chris Wraith, IPAF technical & safety executive
- Non-voting chairman of the judges: Euan Youdale, Access International editor

More than 95 entries across 13 award categories were received for the awards. The winners will be announced at the dinner and awards ceremony on the 26th March in Washington, DC, USA. To see the full shortlist visit: [www.iapa-summit.info](http://www.iapa-summit.info)

## PAL card holders win prizes

More than 460 PAL card holders across five continents entered IPAF's 'Verify and Win' prize draw which celebrated the issue of the one millionth PAL card.

Prize winners came from a wide spread of countries including Australia, Canada, Denmark, Germany, Ireland, Malaysia, the Netherlands, Turkey, UAE, UK and USA and received prizes ranging from an all inclusive trip to the IPAF Summit to rental market reports, t-shirts, hi-viz jackets, caps, pens and clipboards. The draw was open to any of the more than half a million valid PAL card holders who verified their PAL card at:

[www.iapf.org/checkpal](http://www.iapf.org/checkpal)

A full list of all prize winners can be found at: [www.iapf.org/checkpalandwin](http://www.iapf.org/checkpalandwin)



460 PAL card holders won prizes in IPAF's 'Verify and Win' draw