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Wet, cold and windy Bauma China



The atmosphere at this year's Bauma China at the end of November was even more subdued than the 2014 event, which itself was substantial less bubbly than 2012. The wet, cold weather certainly did not encourage a bright demeanour, however there was still a great deal to see in terms of new products and innovations. This year powered access products were clearly the 'flavour of the month', taking over from the big crane ego trips - with Sany, XCMG and others deciding to become full-line aerial lift producers.

Another interesting development was the number of new western orientated products launched at the show. These included Dingli's new 'Italian' boom lifts, specifically targeting more developed markets, Haulotte's new 86ft HT28 telescopic boom lift, Potain's all new hydraulic luffing tower crane, more Chinese Rough Terrain cranes and a few Chinese telehandlers.

The outside area of the show - dominated by cranes and access manufacturers - had plenty of vacant space, compared to prior years when it has been sold out. None of this changes the fact that Bauma China is now a major exhibition on the international

circuit, and in spite of the quieter nature of the event, many western exhibitors remain in favour of it replacing Intermat and becoming the 'third show on the three year circuit with Bauma and Conexpo. This would of course require the Bauma China organisers switching to a three year cycle from the current two years however given the slowing pace of Chinese product development this may well be the time to make that change?

The following photo tour will hopefully provide a flavour of Asia's big show and highlight some of the new products. Further photographic coverage can be found on www.vertical.net by putting Bauma China in the news search box.

XCMG announced 10 booms lifts up to 125ft - five straight telescopics topped by the GTBZ38S and five articulated boom lifts topped by the 79ft GTBZ 24A - along with seven electric scissor lifts topped by the 52ft GTJZ16. The biggest machine on display was the 98ft GTBZ30S. The gold painted boom lifts all looked very accomplished and the company is considering how to market them in Europe.



Dingli attracted the most attention with its new Magni designed Italian boom lifts. The new machines introduce a radical approach with the largest models looking technically very competitive. The smaller models are currently too heavy, some of this is down to sharing the componentry over the full line



Sunward's 55 tonne SWTC 55B tele crawler with 43.5m main boom



Runshare went for quantity

A special airline adapted Huabei scissor lift with lateral slide out deck extension



XJCM launched its first RT crane. It builds 300 cranes a year and is looking to export



Sinoboom showed a new 52ft Rough Terrain 2.27m wide diesel scissor lift, the GTJZ1623D its biggest to date with 680kg platform capacity



The 260 tonne Zoomlion ZCC2600 crawler



Bestamax had some interesting exhibits including a five metre push around electric scissor and mast-type lifts



Extreme showed a range of equipment including these 36m working height mast lifts



The 120 tonne Fuwa FWT120 telescopic crawler



The eight tonne 'prototype' Potain MCH 120 hydraulic luffer can handle 2,000kg on its 50m jib with the cab mounted on either side



The XCMG XGC100T telescopic crawler crane with 56 metre main boom



Genie showed its all-new 135ft SX135XC boom, along with two new slab scissor lifts built locally for the local market - the 32ft Reach X12 and the 38ft X14



A wet cold and windy show



The IPAF stand - outside for the first time



JLG showed its latest models including the 150ft 1500AJP, but launched a new locally built heavy-duty shipyard boom, the 110ft 1100SJ, available with or without articulated jib



Sany's Grove GTK inspired mobile tower crane



Comansa's first Chinese luffing jib tower crane - the CML190



Haulotte chose the show for the worldwide launch of its new 86ft HT28RTJ with both O and Pro specifications. While the machine design is classic, it does introduce significant new features including Stop Emissions idle stop and the Activ safety lights system



Goerly has a full range of Dingli copies



Manitall had no totally new models on show, but has fully upgraded its entire range - its stand was certainly busy



Another interesting new Sinoboom product was the 52ft compact electric articulated boom lift GTZZ16EJ



The largest crane at the show was the 1,200 tonne XCMG XCA 1200 with 102 metre boom on an eight axle carrier



Another new full range company - using JLG colours - is LCMG with a range that appears to copy, rather than innovate



Sany showed a number of aerial lifts including four slab electric scissor lifts - the 19ft GKSDC06, 26ft GKSDC08, 32ft GKSD10 and 40ft GKSDC12 - all badged as Sany Palfinger, as well as the small truck mounts it launched two years ago



Dingli stand



A 35 tonne Magni heavy duty telehandler sold along with a big 360 to the Chinese Army



XCMG 30S boom



XCMG scissors



The three tonne capacity CBL industrial-type telehandler can lift 2,000kg to its 8.5m maximum height and take 1,000kg out to 4.5m

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