

Visit Genie's stand to see its new eight-strong telehandler range.

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Spring is in the air and so is Intermat. Next month's show is expected to attract around 1500 exhibitors from 33 different countries and all the major manufacturers have signed up. C&A reports.



Paris in full boom

- When?** 13 – 17 May 2003
Where? Paris-Nord Exhibition Centre, France
- Travel:**
By road: Take the Autoroute A1 or Autoroute A3 to Paris, then the A104 to Soissons and 'Parc des Expositions'
- By rail:** From central Paris take line B of the RER express link towards Roissy Charles-de-Gaulle airport. Get off at "Parc des Expositions" station, 20 minutes from the centre of Paris. Trains run every seven minutes in both directions. Good connections with Eurostar at Gare du Nord, which is also on line B of the RER.
- By plane:** Roissy Charles-de-Gaulle Airport is a ten minute taxi ride from the exhibition centre.

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Opening times:
Tuesday 13 May: 9am to 6pm
Wednesday 14 May: 9am to 6pm
Thursday 15 May: 9am to 10.30pm
(evening event)
Friday 16 May: 9am to 6pm
Saturday 17 May: 9am to 8pm

FEELING LEFT out? So you should be if you haven't yet made plans for Intermat 2003. It will be the biggest construction equipment event the world will see this year, with more than 100 exhibitors directly related to the access and lifting industries, all showing off their very latest wares. It has been described as the only industry event that brings together the entire sector – contractors, manufacturers, clients, project managers, service companies and government and local authorities. And where better than Paris in the springtime? "Intermat will be the biggest event dedicated to construction site equipment by far," says Peter Hazelet, chairman and CEO of Expositum, one of Intermat's promoters. "Thanks to a dynamic policy and close partnerships with industry professionals, the exhibition has almost doubled in size in a few years, and both its exhibitors and visitors are becoming more and more international. The 2003 edition is already set to be a success."

Novelty value

Visitors are promised a strong emphasis on new products this year with 50 per cent of the innovations showcased at Intermat being ▶ 19

Haulotte's new Compact 10N electric scissor will be among several new machines on the company's stand.

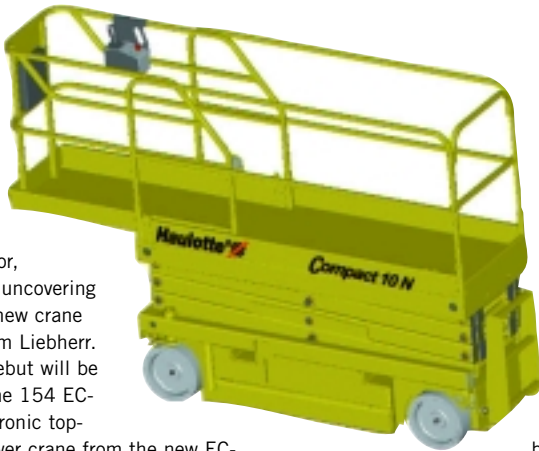
unveiled for the first time. Starting with the lifting sector, expect the uncovering of several new crane models from Liebherr. A public debut will be made by the 154 EC-HM 6 FU. tronic top-slewing tower crane from the new EC-HM series, which Liebherr says is the first crane to have all its drives supplied with a continuously variable power flow via frequency converters.

Liebherr's mobile crane division will be premiering two all terrain cranes by way of the 90 tonne capacity LTM 1090/3 and the 400 tonne LTM 1400/1. The new 90 tonner, according to its maker, is currently the most powerful four-axle mobile crane and the market and has been given 15 per cent higher load capacities than its LTM 1090/2 predecessor. Also on show will be the all-new seven-axle, 400 tonne LTM 1400/1 mobile crane and the 130 tonne LR 1130 hydraulic crawler crane.

Kobelco has said that it will be announcing two new cranes models, while exhibiting its 80 tonne capacity CKE800 crawler crane. It has maximum boom length of 54.9 metres with 45.7 metres of main boom and 12.2 metres of fixed jib.

Terex-Demag will be out in extreme force with no less than twelve cranes on show, including the brand new 275 tonne Demag CC 1500 crawler crane with a maximum boom length of 102 metres, the new five-axle 200 tonne capacity AC 200-1 all terrain, which will be decorated in the livery of Italian customer, Cisco, and the first prototype of the AC 160-1 all terrain in the 160 tonne category, which will be displayed in Terex-Demag colours. Other units from Terex's French operation, PPM, and two tower cranes from Terex Comedil will also be highlighted.

Also playing to a home crowd will be Manitowoc's French division, Potain, which will be launching its new 8 tonne capacity MDT 178 flat-top 'city' tower crane alongside



the new 2.4 tonne capacity Igo 24 self-erecting tower crane. Visitors to the group's stand will also get the chance to see Grove's flagship all terrain crane, the seven axle 450 tonne capacity GMK 7450.

From Manitowoc itself comes the European launch of its massive new Model 18000 lattice boom crawler. The 600 tonne capacity machine sits between the company's 272 tonne, 2250 model and its 753 tonne, 21000 unit, with reach capabilities varying from 36.5 metres to 185 metres depending on how the crane is rigged.

Branching out

Making its introduction in Europe will be Genie's TZ-34/20 articulating trailer mounted boom. It has a telescopic primary boom, a working height of 12.36 metres and a 0.227 tonne lifting capacity. The latest boom in Genie's articulated range, and the tallest in the family, the Z-80/60, will also be on display, featuring a 26.4 metre working height and an 18.3 metre outreach.

A selection from Genie's recently launched eight-strong telehandler range should also pull in the crowds.

For Benoit Paquet, international marketing manager for Manitou: "The show will be the most international of the year and the most important for the company." On show will be the brand new 10 tonne capacity MHT10100L heavy-duty telehandler, with a 9.8 metre lift height, which Paquet says has filled a gap

in Manitou's line for a medium range model. Also on Manitou's stand will be the biggest unit in the range, the 16 tonne capacity MHT10160L, and a the 10 metre MT 1740 SLT, specifically designed for the UK market where new HSE regulations have stated that machines with 9 to 10 metre working heights now have to be fitted with satabilisers.

One of the highlights from UpRight will undoubtedly be its new Bi-Energy boom which slots into the company's popular 13.5 metre AB38 articulated boom series. The unit provides the usual fume-free electric operation but also has the facility to switch to diesel power for extended outdoor work, eliminating the need to use diesel scissors or a larger boom. The bi-

energy version will be the second addition to the AB38 articulated boom range within the last 12 months. The company will also be showcasing the latest platform to be added to its dual sourcing programming in the US and Europe. The MX19 micro-scissor will be the first model in its series to be built at UpRight's Europlant in Ireland.

Haulotte will be swimming in its usual sea of yellow at the show, amongst which will be its new 28 and 32 metre articulated booms, the new Compact 10N and 10 RTE electric scissors, the new star six vertical mast and a selection from its new six-strong Top Lift telehandler line ranging from 7 to 17 metres lift height.

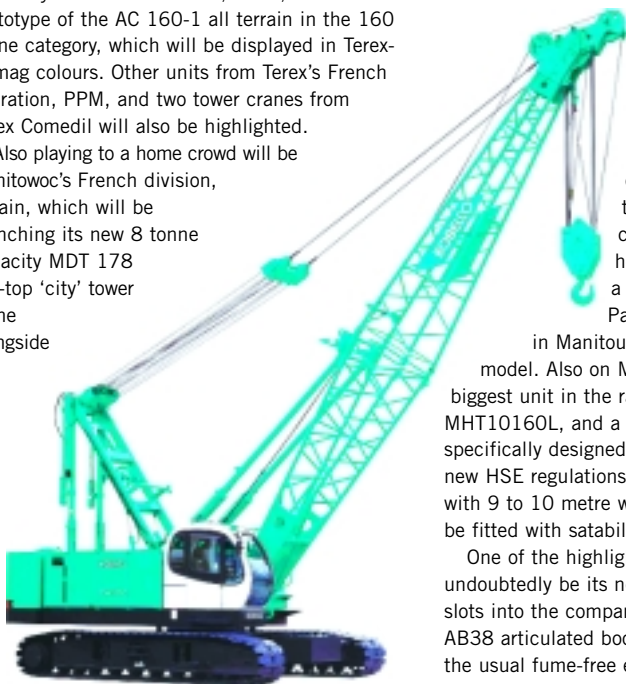
All of the above mentioned products and the many, many more, to be highlighted at Intermat 2003 by the world's equipment manufacturers, can be found in "Vertikal



Liebherr will be unveiling its 400 tonne LTM 1400/1.

Intermat," the Vertikal Press' specialist guide to lifting equipment at the show. "Vertikal Intermat" will be distributed from the Vertikal Press stand, E5 H84, by the main outdoor entrance, where you will also be able to pick up your free copies of *Cranes & Access*, and sister magazine *Kran and Bühne*, and also learn about our on-line news service Vertikal.net. And all this against the fantastic backdrop of Paris in May. Who could argue with that?

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New from Kobelco is its 80 tonne capacity CKE800 crawler.



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