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PRESS RELEASE

GEDA and Uperio step up partnership

The French number one for crane hire invests in a hire fleet of GEDA transport platforms.

The German construction and industrial hoist manufacturer GEDA GmbH and the French crane hire company Uperio are expanding their cooperation. In addition to selling and hiring out GEDA 2 PK crane operator hoists, Uperio will now be adding GEDA transport platforms to its range.

With 2,000 slewing tower cranes, 700 employees and 32 depots in many countries, Uperio is one of the leading crane hire companies in Europe and worldwide. GEDA began its partnership with Uperio in the sector of crane operator hoists in 2018. This made it possible to comply with the French national regulations in order to meet the increasing demand on the French market.

The first transport platforms were hired out in 2021 for the large Fécamp offshore wind farm project off the coast of Normandy. The completed 500 MW offshore wind farm 13, which is being built between 13 and 22 km away from the coast, is due to go online at the end of 2023. The energy generated by the wind farm will provide the equivalent of the annual electricity consumption of 770,000 people, which is more than 60 % of the population of the Seine-Maritime department. The 71 gravity foundations were manufactured in the port town of Le Havre in Normandy first. Each of these foundations weighs 5,000 tons and has a diameter of 31 metres at the base. The foundations were then transported to Fécamp on ships.

Height access solutions

The height of the gravity foundations ranges from 48 to 54 metres depending on the water depth where the unit will be installed. Having a reliable partner for height access technology was key to ensure safe and efficient working at these heights. 56 GEDA 500 Z/ZP were used on a daily basis for the construction of this gigantic wind farm. They ensure smooth passenger transport at the construction site and omitted the need for strenuous, hazardous climbs. This transport platform has been specifically designed for use in tough building site conditions and is extremely flexible. The device has two separate controls enabling it to be utilised simply as a construction hoist with a payload of up to 850 kg and as a transport platform for five passengers and loads of up to 500 kg. Due to the small footprint, the high load capacity and the versatile application options, the hoist saves time and guaranteed optimum logistics at the Le Havre construction site. With a lifting speed of 24 m/min in materials mode and 12 m/min in passenger mode, the work is progressing quickly and the wind farm is expected to enter operation on schedule. The transport platform serves three stop positions and the installed height increases along with the progress of the structure to be built.

Promising partnership

The reliable and robust helpers served their purpose for a period of around ten to twelve months, after which they have been serviced and added to the regular hire fleet of Uperio. This is the start of a new chapter for Uperio, who will be able to cater for a new sector in the future.

In addition, a limited number of very well-preserved second-hand GEDA 500 Z/ZP transport platforms (year of manufacture 2021 + 2022) including accessories are currently available for immediate sale at Uperio. The medium-sized company GEDA GmbH is very proud to have gained Uperio as an official partner for the sale and hire of transport platforms.



Existing partnership

In addition to the new transport platforms, several GEDA 2 PKs have already been part of the Uperio hire fleet for more than 5 years. Naturally, these crane operator hoists were needed for this project as well, to provide safe and efficient transport of the crane operators to their workstations. 16 GEDA 2 PK crane operator hoists from the Uperio hire fleet were installed on the required slewing tower cranes. As our longstanding partner for crane operator hoists, Uperio France handles all installation, maintenance and service work for the installed GEDA 2 PK. It goes without saying that the new transport platforms benefit from the same services. 24/7 service can be guaranteed in order to react to all situations as quickly as possible.

About Uperio France

The experts for tower cranes and fast erecting cranes. UPERIO has the complete solution for all your projects. For requests to rent or buy new or used equipment, feel free to contact:

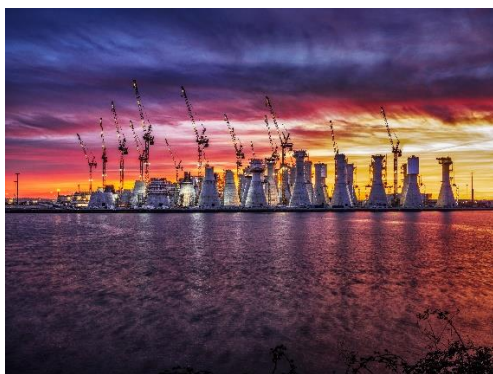
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About GEDA

In the construction machinery sector and at global construction sites, GEDA has been renowned for offering unique quality and made-in-Germany expertise for 90 years. The company has developed a comprehensive product range over the decades: From compact 60 kg wire rope lifts for workmen and versatile transport platforms to person and material hoists – the GEDA range could not be any broader. This is complemented by building maintenance unit and industrial elevator product ranges for permanent use in power stations and cement works, offshore plants, etc.



500 MW offshore wind farm 13 in Fécamp



56 installed GEDA 500 Z/ZP