

Press release

BKL takes delivery of the very first LTM 1650-8.1 in Germany

- **BKL adds Liebherr LTM 1650-8.1 mobile crane to its fleet**
- **The LTM 1650-8.1 is designed to deliver maximum performance**
- **BKL continually invests in new crane technology**

BKL Baukran Logistik GmbH has added a Liebherr LTM 1650-8.1 to its fleet of mobile cranes. The company took delivery of the first crane of this type in Germany at the beginning of November. The main criterion for BKL was the high lifting capacity of the new 8-axle mobile crane.

Ehingen / Donau (Germany), 10 November 2020 – Liebherr unveiled the LTM 1650-8.1 at the Bauma 2019 with the slogan “The ultimate crane on eight axles”. Its performance backs up this claim – BKL’s new crane will be able to effortlessly complete hoisting work for customers in the 700 tonnes class or even higher.

As with its predecessor, the LTM 1500-8.1, which dominated the large telescopic crane class for 20 years, Liebherr can supply the new crane with two telescopic boom lengths – 54 metres or 80 metres. A lattice jib enables the LTM 1650-8.1 to achieve hook heights of up to 151 metres and radii of up to 112 metres.

BKL owner Alexander Volz comments: “Taking delivery of the first LTM 1650-8.1 in Germany means additional performance for our customers and underlines our standing as a pioneer in the crane business. The good lifting capacity values of the LTM 1650-8.1 particularly impressed us. In addition, we also expect this Liebherr crane to retain its value as well as other models. That is important to us as we continuously invest in new machines so that the BKL crane fleet remains state of the art in both the mobile crane and construction crane segments. That enables us to provide our customers at all our six sites with one of the most modern rental fleets in Europe.”

The main areas of use for the Liebherr 700 tonne crane will include the installation of prefabricated parts and industrial construction. The new crane will also be used to erect and

dismantle large top-slewing cranes, such as the 750 or 1050 metre-tonne tower cranes in BKL's rental fleet as well as other tower cranes.

“The LTM 1650-8.1 adds to the BKL mobile crane fleet at the top end, which means that BKL customers will have an even wider range of mobile cranes available in the future for their projects. One of the major logistics benefits of the LTM 1650-8.1 is the compatibility of the ballast slabs with other Liebherr cranes in our fleet, such as the LTM 1350-6.1 and LTM 1450-8.1”, explains Managing Director Jörg Hegestweiler.

BKL has one of the largest and most modern crane fleets in Europe and continuously invests in new machines. In addition to its new LTM 1650-8.1, for example, the company recently also took delivery of another completely new crane model for its BKL Rosenheim site in the form of the LTM 1110-5.1.

BKL Baukran Logistik GmbH specialises in the sale and rental of cranes and services. The company currently has six sites in Germany from which it can provide a total of over 500 tower cranes, over 100 mobile cranes, more than 10 mobile construction cranes and 60 loading cranes and low loaders.

Liebherr has supplied a major proportion of its mobile crane fleet. Hegestweiler explains: “In addition to having powerful, innovative products, Liebherr provides us with good service in every respect, including marketing. We have a long term, close partnership with Liebherr.”

About Liebherr-Werk Ehingen GmbH

Liebherr-Werk Ehingen GmbH is a leading manufacturer of mobile and crawler cranes. Its range of mobile cranes extends from 2-axle 35 tonne cranes to heavy duty cranes with a lifting capacity of 1200 tonnes and a 9-axle chassis. Its lattice boom cranes on mobile or crawler crane chassis deliver lifting capacities of up to 3000 tonnes. With universal boom systems and extensive additional equipment, they can be seen in action on construction sites throughout the world. The Ehingen site has a workforce of 3,500. Extensive, global service guarantees the high availability of Liebherr mobile and crawler cranes. In 2019, the Liebherr plant in Ehingen recorded a turnover of 2.1 billion euros.

About the Liebherr Group

The Liebherr Group is a family-run technology company with a widely diversified product range. The company is one of the largest manufacturers of construction machines in the world, but also supplies technically advanced, user-focused products and services in many other sectors. The group currently comprises more than 140 companies based in every continent of the world, has a workforce of over 48,000 and recorded a consolidated total turnover of more than 11.7 billion euros in 2019. Since it was founded in 1949 in Kirchdorf an der Iller in

southern Germany, Liebherr's aim has been to win customers by supplying high quality solutions and to contribute to technological progress.

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