

Press release

MSG expands large crane fleet with Liebherr

- New Liebherr mobile cranes for the company operating in France and Germany
- "90 metre boom key for procurement of the LTM 1300-6.3"
- Soon to be the third LTM 1650-8.1 in the MSG Krandienst GmbH fleet
- Well positioned for increasing wind power

MSG Krandienst GmbH, based in the Franco-German border region near Strasbourg, is expanding its fleet of large cranes with two modern machines from the Liebherr plant in Ehingen. An LTM 1300-6.3 was received a few days ago. This will be followed in February by an LTM 1650-8.1 with extensive equipment and the two telescopic boom variants with lengths of 54 and 80 metres. The company with the distinctive blue cranes believes it is well positioned to meet the requirements of the cross-border Alsace-Baden region.

Ehingen (Donau) (Germany), 6 November 2024 - MSG Managing Director Björn Jatz came to Ehingen in person for the handover of the 300-tonne mobile crane. "The 90 metre telescopic boom, which can be carried on the road with an axle load of 12 tonnes and is a unique feature of the crane in its class, was the decisive factor for us in purchasing it," says Jatz. "This completes our Liebherr family in the large crane sector with the LTM 1750-9.1, the LTM 1450-8.1 and soon three machines of the LTM 1650-8.1. One major advantage," emphasises Jatz, "is that various lattice sections from these cranes can also be used on our new LTM 1300-6.3."

The 6-axle crane not only impresses with technical features such as VarioBase®Plus, VarioBallast®, auto-ballast or the wind speed load charts, which are valuable for working on wind turbines, but also with high efficiency on the equipment side. Its possibilities with lattice jibs are manifold: 11.5 to 20 metre double folding jib, two 7 metre lattice sections to extend the telescopic boom, a 39 metre powerful lattice type fixed jib and a 43 metre hydraulically adjustable lattice type fixed jib. This enables the 300-tonne crane to reach lifting heights of up to 120 metres.

Many infrastructure projects along the Rhine

Major infrastructure projects such as the expansion of the Rhine Valley line of the German railway and increased service work on the wind turbines on the hills of the Black Forest are ensuring full order books for the 150-strong company with its sites in Freiburg, Kehl and Strasbourg. Also because the maintenance and repowering of old wind turbines always require large crane capacities, MSG will take delivery of its third LTM 1650-8.1 at the beginning of 2025. In February, another LTM 1230-5.1 will further increase the current 55 Liebherr mobile cranes in the blue fleet.

MSG Krandienst recently sent one of its two LTM 1650-8.1 cranes to replace components for an Enercon E-66 wind turbine at an altitude of 1,100 metres in the Black Forest north of Freiburg. Within one day, the mobile crane was able to lift the entire blade star from the system in two-hook operation and reassemble it after replacing the generator. For this purpose, the 8-axle vehicle was equipped with Y-guying, a boom extension of six metres and a small auxiliary jib. The heaviest lift, with a gross load of 48 tonnes, was carried out at a radius of 25 metres. Thanks to the ballasting set to maximum radius, 155 tonnes of counterweights were sufficient for this operation.

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 travel gear 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 5,000. An extensive, global service network guarantees the high availability of Liebherr mobile and crawler cranes. In 2023, the Liebherr plant in Ehingen recorded a turnover of 2.81 billion euros.

About the Liebherr Group – 75 years of moving forward

The Liebherr Group is a family-run technology company with a highly diversified product programme. The company is one of the largest construction equipment manufacturers in the world. It also provides high-quality, user-oriented products and services in a wide range of other areas. The Liebherr Group includes over 150 companies across all continents. In 2023, it employed more than 50,000 staff and achieved combined revenues of over 14 billion euros. Liebherr was founded by Hans Liebherr in 1949 in the southern German town of Kirchdorf an der Iller. Since then, the employees have been pursuing the goal of achieving continuous technological innovation, and bringing industry-leading solutions to its customers. Under the slogan '75 years of moving forward', the Group celebrates its 75th anniversary in 2024.

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During the repair of an Enercon wind turbine in the southern Black Forest, an LTM 1650-8.1 from MSG Krandienst GmbH has a complete blade star with a gross weight of 47.7 tonnes on the hook.



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A small lattice extension as well as a short tip and the crane's two-hook operation for swivelling the rotor star to a horizontal position enabled the assembly work to be carried out quickly and smoothly.



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Adjusting the ballast to the maximum distance saves having to transport additional counterweights to the construction site.



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The crane operator and fitters showed great skill in placing the wing star on the densely wooded hilltop with its small open space.



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Björn Jatz, Managing Director of MSG Krandienst GmbH, takes delivery of his new LTM 1300-6.3 in Ehingen. Right in the picture: Joachim Sommer (Liebherr-Werk Ehingen GmbH)

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