



VERTIKAL DAYS 2026 - THE BIGGEST AND BEST YET?

This year's Vertikal Days was the largest and probably the best since it started at Haydock Park in 2007. The show returned for a third time to Newark Showground in Nottinghamshire and once again featured a slightly rejigged layout to accommodate the growing number of exhibitors and brands which included 30 new exhibitors, many in the enlarged Marketplace Pavilion. All in, more than 300 brands and manufacturers were represented making it the largest dedicated lifting equipment event in Europe this year.



The good weather helped bolster the record number of visitors which almost reached 3,000 with a particularly busy first day on the Wednesday. Comments from exhibitors and visitors were very positive both of the show and the equipment which included many new product launches.

Nick Johnson spent the two show days covering many of the new and interesting products. Here is his review...

BIG OSPREY WELCOME

Visitors entering this year's Vertikal Days had a big welcome as they passed the largest crane at the show parked outside the main entrance. The Osprey Heavy Lift team had brought along an 800 tonne, nine axle Liebherr LTM1750-9.1 All Terrain which joined the Osprey fleet at the beginning of this year. On its stand inside the showground, it exhibited one of its six axle Scheuerle M93 SMPTs (self-propelled modular transporters)

Osprey's big Liebherr LTM1750-9.1 greeted visitors to Vertikal Days 2026



together with a Scheuerle 2390 power pack. The company used the Liebherr LTM1750-9.1 together with SMPTs and heavy duty jacking system just prior to Vertikal Days at London Stansted Airport to remove a skybridge.



The new Niftylift HR10NE electric boom lift inside the special enclosed 'reveal area'

NIFTYLIFT WORLD DEBUT

Niftylift staged three world debuts at the show, the new all electric HR10 self-propelled boom lift in both low weight HR10LE and narrow width HR10NE versions displayed in a special enclosed viewing area. Both HR10 units feature a 10 metre

working height, 4.3 metres of outreach with a 1.2 metre by 850mm platform. Overall stowed height is 1.98 metres. The 1.8 metre wide HR10LE weighs 1,600kg with the narrower - 1.5 metre - HR10NE weighing 1,950kg.

The other Niftylift launches included a Hydrogen-Electric option for the HR21E - the HR21 H2E - and a diesel-electric option for the HR22SE - designated the HR22SDE. Both options are available as retrofits.

HYBRID TADANO AT

A highlight on the Tadano stand was the company's new 70 tonne AC 4.070HL-1 Hybrid four axle All Terrain. Whilst the carrier has a Mercedes diesel, the superstructure is powered by a Danfoss electric motor supplied by an 800 volt/70kWh battery pack. The carrier engine includes a 50kW generator to top up the battery pack when travelling. The AC 4.070HL-1 is built at Tadano's plant in Lauf and the first unit in the UK has been purchased by Bronzeshield Crane Hire.

Bronzeshield's name was on the first Tadano AC 4.070HL-1 Hybrid in the UK



BIG TRACKED CARRIER

On its new products stand near to the entrance, GGR launched the new 40 tonne capacity tracked carrier for moving heavy loads across constrained or uneven job sites. The Croco40 carries up to four times its own weight and is equipped with a Deutz Stage V engine and a hydrostatic transmission. The Scaneco radio remote controlled carrier is 6.25 metres long with an overall width of 2.46 metres. The platform height adjusts from 1.1 to 1.34 metres whilst providing longitudinal levelling of up to eight degrees and lateral levelling of up to five degrees. The company also launched the new 50 tonne Ganterud L50 HD Levelling Yoke, which can turn, balance and positioning large, awkward or uneven loads.



Prominent on the GGR stand was this large 40 tonne capacity tracked carrier



FULLY ELECTRIC KLAS

Kranlyft used Vertikal Days to launch the new nine tonne fully electric Klass K2500E aluminium truck crane. Mounted on a Volvo FMX 6x2 rear steer truck, the K2500E is powered by lithium iron phosphate (LFB) batteries. When using its folding telescopic extension, the K2350E can lift a tonne at a 35 metre radius. A clever feature of the crane is that its easily deployed two fall hook (for lifting loads up to nine tonnes) is kept fully reeved under the main boom nose.

The first two K2350Es in the UK have been purchased by Lee Lifting and MEB Crane Hire, on a four axle Volvo Trident and a three axle Volvo FMX trucks.

MEB Crane Hire's Klass K2350E truck crane



SMART ANCHOR DEVICE

Visitors to the JCB stand discovered a functioning prototype of the company's new Smart Anchor system for its boom lifts. The clever arrangement was shown fitted to the platform of a 60ft A60EH boom lift. The Smart Anchor latch mechanism detects whether the operator's harness lanyard has been properly connected to a special anchor point. The machine is isolated until a proper connection is made and an LED indication light is illuminated.

The JCB Smart Anchor system shows whether an operator's harness lanyard is properly secured



Adjacent exhibitor Xenith Heights provided one of its Aresta Harnesses to help display the Smart Anchor system in action. JCB also revealed that it will add two other options - a Tool Caddy and a Mesh Guard.

IMPRESSIVE LIEBHERR LINE-UP

Liebherr exhibited the UK's first 90 tonne four axle LTM1090-4.3 complete with a 60 metre main boom and the LICCON3 control system. It was handed over to Wire Cranes & Lifting of Warrington.

The largest All Terrain on the Liebherr stand was a 450 tonne eight axle LTM1450-8.1 for RRC Crane

Largest crane in the Liebherr line-up was the 450 tonne LTM1450-8.1



Hire. It was flanked by a 120 tonne LTM1120-4.2 for Bob Francis Crane Hire, a 110 tonne LTM1110-5.2 for Ainscough (named Brendan), a 55 tonne LTM1055-3.3 for Marsden Crane Services, a 50 tonne LTC1050-3.1 for McGovern Crane Hire and a 40 tonne LTM1040-2.1 for Dewsbury & Proud.

The Marsden LTM1055-3.3 is the first of this model to be delivered in the UK and will run with 14 tonne axle loads. The first LTM1055-3.3 in Scotland has gone to Stoddard Crane Hire which will take advantage of its nine tonne per axle configuration when moving the crane by ferry for work on the islands.

PERCHED ON PORTAL

The most prominent exhibit on the Wolffkran stand was a Wolff 235B luffing jib tower crane installed on the Wolff City Portal CP690 which provides a clearance of up to 4.5 metres below to allow vehicles to pass under the crane on sites with restricted space and access.

The blue coloured Wolff 235B on display is part of a six crane order from Mayo Civils of Manchester. The other cranes included two 166Bs, another 235B, one 275B and a 355B.



The 235B luffer on the City Portal CP690

PRODUCTION GROVE HYBRID

Having shown a prototype at Vertikal Days last year, Manitowoc exhibited a production version of the new 150 tonne Grove GMK5150XLe Plug-In Hybrid. Its 160kWh battery system reduces emissions and noise, while its integrated 170kW



The new Grove GMK5150XLe Plug-In Hybrid in Bryn Thomas Cranes livery

generator provides on-the-move recharging. The crane on the stand, the first of its type in the UK, has been sold to Bryn Thomas Cranes. A more conventional four axle 90 tonne Grove GMK4090-1 All Terrain was also on display in the colours of Leach Structural Steelwork.

ZOOMLION 360

Chinese manufacturer Zoomlion indicated plans to expand its product range in the UK with scale models of its tower cranes, passenger/material hoists as well as crawler and All Terrain cranes. In China, Zoomlion has produced mega sized tower cranes for bridge building, and it plans to introduce more conventional sized flat top and luffing jib models here in the not too distant future.

Zoomlion is already busy promoting its telehandler range with four models on display at Vertikal Days. These included the fixed frame ZTH2606, ZTH3513 and ZTH4014 together with the 360 degree ZTH4525R, making its UK debut. Powered by a Cummins diesel, the ZTH4525R has a maximum lift height of 24.8 metres and a maximum capacity of 4,500kg.



This 24.8m ZTH4525R is the larger of Zoomlion's two rotary telehandlers

THREE NEW HOEFLONS

Hoefflon introduced two new spider cranes, and a battery powered four tonne tracked carrier - the TC4 - with extendable tracks. Overall weight is 1,000kg and it can be fitted with a rotating platform. The new Hoefflon C30eL spider crane has



Hoefflon showed this new TC4 tracked carrier and new spider cranes

a maximum capacity of seven tonnes and features a five section main boom with an articulating three section telescopic extension. Pick & carry capability is three tonnes. The smaller C10e Gen 3 spider crane has a maximum capacity of four tonnes and maximum lift height of 22 metres. It can pick & carry 750kg.

NEW XCMG ALL TERRAIN

XCMG used Vertikal Days for the UK launch of its 60 tonne XCA60G6-1E All Terrain. This follows the appearance of a hybrid version at last year's show. Powered by a Mercedes diesel the three axle XCA60G6-1E has a 50 metre six section main boom topped by a 16 metre extension with up to 30 degrees of offset.

XCMG also exhibited two telehandlers - the 4,000kg/13.57 metre XT4014KH powered by a Deutz diesel, and the new battery powered compact 2,500kg/5.85 metre XT2506E.



XCMG's diesel engined 60 tonne capacity XCA60G6-1E All Terrain crane

LONGER BOOM KOBELCO

A new long boom version of Kobelco's 75 tonne TKE750G telescopic crawler crane was launched at Vertikal Days. Fitted with a 35 metre boom the newcomer is designated the TKE750GLB. The display unit is one of two sold to BPH Equipment. The established TKE750G with its 30.1 metre boom will continue to be available.



The new Kobelco TKE750LB was sold to BPH Equipment

XCA80G7-1E

ALL TERRAIN CRANE



80 t

MAX LIFTING
CAPACITY



60 m

MAIN BOOM



75 m

MAX LIFTING
HEIGHT



XGA17ACN

ARTICULATED BOOM LIFT
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17.1 m

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HEIGHT



1.5 m

WIDE



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World launch for the new LGMG SP03007 push around scissor lift

LGMG NEWCOMERS

On a larger stand opposite the entrance, LGMG hosted the global launch of the SP03007 push around scissor lift. Weighing around 400kg it offers a maximum working height of 4.95 metres. First UK customer is Omnia Access.

Also on the stand was the new 33ft S1008E-2 narrow electric scissor lift with a 12 metre working height indoors and nine metres outdoors, as well as the H933 and H625E telescopic handlers. LGMG also exhibited its new 4x4 2.5 tonne F25 Rough Terrain forklift with Kubota power and a maximum lift height of 3.4 metres.

LATEST NAVIGATOR LIFT

UK based Navigator exhibited its brand new Ranger vertical lift platform. Slotting in between the existing Scout and Explorer models, the Ranger weighs 320kg, is 780mm wide, has 150kg platform capacity and maximum working height of 4.2 metres. The company will launch a new self-propelled mast lift in January, called the Pioneer.



The new Navigator Ranger slots in between the Scout and Explorer models

NEW CTE COLOURS

CTE unveiled its striking new silver and black corporate livery, the shift from the previous blue and white branding was highlighted by a 'Dark Tour' Batman logo on the company's brand new VJ15 van mounted platform on an Iveco Daily 3.5 tonne high roof panel van. The VJ15 provides a maximum working height of 14.4 metres and an outreach of up to 8.5 metres. Platform capacity is 225kg.



The new Bravi Residential 170

BRAVI RESIDENTIAL

Making its UK debut was Bravi's new Residential 170 self-propelled vertical mast lift. With a maximum working height of 3.7 metres and a platform capacity of 180kg, this model weighs in at 360kg. Stowed height is 1.75 metres and overall width 667mm. Powered by AGM batteries, a lever enables the drive to be disconnected so it can be pushed around.

UK DEBUT FOR MAKSAN LIFT

Turkish company Maksan Lift displayed examples of its mastclimbing work platforms and passenger/materials hoist. The company is an IPAF member and has an IPAF training centre.

The mastclimber on the stand was the twin mast MKS Spider 30 with a 3,000kg platform capacity and a maximum height of 350 metres. Also on show was the 2,000kg capacity MKS Acrobat 2000 transport platforms. The company makes passenger/materials hoists with capacities up to 5,000kg.



The Maksan Lift MKS Spider 30 (left) and the MKS Acrobat 2000 hoist cage



CTE revealed its new silver and black livery on its Dark Tour VJ15 van mount

ELECTRIC MARCHETTI CRAWLER

AGD Equipment exhibited the new 25 tonne Marchetti CW 25.35HY fully electric telescopic crawler crane. Now in production in Italy, it features a 25.5 metre main boom and an offsettable 3.6 to 8.1 metre extension. The crane has a 110kW electric motor and is powered by lithium batteries with an onboard charger.

Marchetti is developing a second electric crane - the 15 tonne Trio OE compact City type All Terrain.



Marchetti CW 25.35HY

NEW SKYJACK QUARTET

Prominent on the Skyjack stand were four new products. The 45ft SJ45AJN electric articulated boom lift has a 227kg platform capacity and a maximum working height of 15.72 metres. The new scissors included the SJ6940RTE 4x4 Rough Terrain and two new electric slab scissors - the SJ3219E and the SJ3232E - with maximum working heights of 7.65 and 11.63 metres respectively. The SJ6940RTE is an electric Rough Terrain machine providing a maximum working height of 14.19 metres.



Skyjack exhibited its new electric SJ45AJN boom lift



The first Elma CR30-HD tracked carriers in the UK have been sold to Clearview

ELMA TRACKED CARRIER

Promax Access introduced the new CR30-HD tracked carrier from Elma in Italy. This radio controlled, lithium battery powered machine weighs 690kg and has a maximum capacity of 3,000kg. It can be fitted with a fixed or rotating platform and can negotiate maximum gradients of 40 degrees longitudinally and 30 degrees laterally.

SHOWCASING LEMAX LIFTS

Chinese manufacturer Lemax was looking for dealers. Its latest product is the 46ft LA14 articulated boom lift with maximum working height of 16 metres, up to 7.5 metres outreach and 230kg platform capacity. Also, on the stand was a 16 metre LT14 trailer mounted lift, the LT14S tracked spider lift, a 20ft LMO.1-6S mast lift and the company's battery powered glass handling robot.



Amongst the array of Lemax platforms on show was this LT14S tracked spider lift

LATEST DINGLI SCISSOR

Amongst all the bright orange Dingli platforms on show was the new 26ft 4x4 JCPT1015HRT scissor lift. Its blue doors indicated hybrid power that combines a Kubota diesel with 48V battery



New on the Dingli stand was this 4WD JCPT1015HRT hybrid scissor lift

pack. Maximum working height is 9.9 metres, with 300kg platform capacity.

NEW V-RANGE VERSALIFTS

Versalift showcased the new VA-200-F vehicle mounted platform - the first articulated model in its V-Range. Mounted on a 3.5 tonne Mercedes Sprinter, the VA-200-F offers a 20 metre working height, up to 10.4 metres outreach and platform capacity of 250kg. The show unit was destined for PG Platforms.



Versalift's new VA-200-F truck mounted platform sold to PG Platforms

TWO NEW NOBLELIFTS

Two Nobelift micro electric scissors made their UK premiere - the 12ft SC06E and 15ft SC07E with working heights of 5.7 and 6.7 metres respectively and maximum platform capacities of 240kg. Overall weights are 990kg and 1,040kg.



Nobelift unveiled two new micro scissor lifts

ALDERCOTE ALTEC

An interesting exhibit on the Aldercote stand was an Altec AT37M insulated platform mounted on a short wheelbase Volvo FL250 4x4 chassis. The AT37M has a maximum working height of around 13 metres. Aldercote also showed its recently launched 14.1 metre VZ140 jackless van-mounted lift installed on a Ford Transit with a 500kg cargo payload.



The Altec AT37M platform on a short wheelbase 4x4 Volvo truck

NEW TRACKED OMEGA SCISSOR

Alfa Access, the dealer for the Dutch platform manufacturer Omega Solutions, showed a 28ft 405TSE tracked scissor lift. Overall width is 1.6 metres, maximum platform capacity 500kg and maximum working height 10.5 metres. The machine weighs 4,820kg and can level five degrees side-to-side and three degrees front to back. This machine is battery powered but can be supplied with an optional hybrid power system with Yanmar diesel driving an integrated generator.



The 405TSE tracked scissor from Omega Solutions

LATEST LEGUAN

Finnish spider lift maker Leguan Lifts displayed its new OptiTemp battery powered Leguan 195 model. Providing a 19.5 metre working height with nine metres outreach with 250kg and 9.9 metres with 120kg in the platform. Total weight is 2,750kg. The battery pack utilises lithium ion batteries made by Avant Power and will be available in the first quarter of next year. Leguan also plans to introduce full electric options for its 170 to 265 models.



Leguan showed its electric 195 platform on a Fly 600 Spider trailer

INTERMEDIATE MULTITEL

Brand new on the Multitel stand was the 30 metre MZ300 truck mounted platform with 15.8 metres of outreach and 280kg platform capacity, mounted on a 7.2 tonne Iveco Daily 70-180 chassis. It fills a gap in the Multitel range between the MZ250 on a 3.5 tonne chassis and MZ350 on a 12 tonne chassis.



The new MZ300 was shown mounted on a 7.2 tonne Iveco Daily 70-180 chassis

Multitel is now distributing Palazzani spider lifts in the UK. As a result, an 18 metre TZJ 18 diesel spider was also on display.

DOUBLE SANY PRESENCE

On its own stand, Sany exhibited a 60 tonne SCE600TB telescopic crawler crane and a selection of its new telehandlers. The company's mobile cranes were displayed on the Crowland Cranes stand.

The biggest Sany All Terrain at the show was a 150 tonne, five axle SAC1500E supplied to AV Plant & Crane Hire. Alongside was a 60 tonne three axle SAC600E sold to Horizon Cranes.

Visitors could also check the all-new 13.6 tonne SCD150 industrial carry deck crane with a 16.6 metre main boom, sold to ExxonMobil's Fawley petrochemical complex. Also on show was a 45 tonne SRE450N Rough Terrain crane sold to National Gas Services.



All Terrain Sany's on the Crowland Cranes stand included this SAC600E sold to Horizon Cranes



A busy Marketplace

SMALLER JLG LIFT POD

The smallest platform on the JLG stand was the company's new Lift Pod 1.2. Designed for indoor work, this clever quick fold vertical lift platform is designed and made in Leicester. With a 120kg platform capacity and overall width of 770mm it weighs 180kg and provides a working height of 3.2 metres. It folds to a closed height of 1.6 metres (on castors). There is also a larger Lift Pod 1.5.



The JLG Lift Pod features a clever folding design and manual lift mechanism

HYRAX TRACKS IN

Dutch company Hyrax displayed the smallest of its four model self-levelling tracked boom lifts which have maximum working heights up to 16.1 metres. The smallest 35ft 27.12 Rebel has a maximum working height of 12.6 metres and 270kg platform capacity. Total weight is 2,750kg and power comes from a Kubota diesel with plug-in electric drive motor or a fully lithium battery powered electric option.



The Hyrax 27.12 Rebel tracked platform shows off its climbing ability

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BIG MANITOU ORDER

The centre piece of the Manitou stand was the company's new 8,000kg/40 metre MRT4080 360 degree telehandler. Distinguished by a distinctive cab shape, the machine on show was one of a 10 unit order for specialist rental company GT Lifting Solutions.



One of the ten Manitou MRT4080 360 degree telehandlers bought by GT Lifting

TRAILER FOR ACCESS PLATFORMS

Andover Trailers launched its new SFMC44 heavy duty, tri-axle step frame trailer. Designed specifically for transporting aerial work platforms, the show unit was exhibited with two Sunbelt Sinoboom AB340J boom lifts on board. The SFMC44 sports BPW axles with rear lift, Powertoe rear ramps, a fully galvanised steel rib floor and a lifting neck ramp. The trailer can carry a 26 tonne payload and is rated at 44 tonnes gross.



Andover's new SFMC44 trailer was shown carrying two Sunbelt boom lifts



CM Labs Advantage simulator



Maxa Group in the Marketplace



Bronto Skylift's S38XDT truck mounted lift



JLG Power Towers with glass or material handling attachment



Sinoboom mast lift



A Montarent mobile self erector on the Ladybird Cranes stand



The Lemax stand



The largest boom at the show - the 265ft Zoomlion ZT82J with a 82m working height



On the Certex stand in the Marketplace



GGR showed the MC100 pick & carry crane



Keith Rhodes Machinery Installations showed two Landoll PT40's



Ladybird Cranes showed this remote controlled concrete pouring skip

ACCESS WITH ZOOMLION GREEN

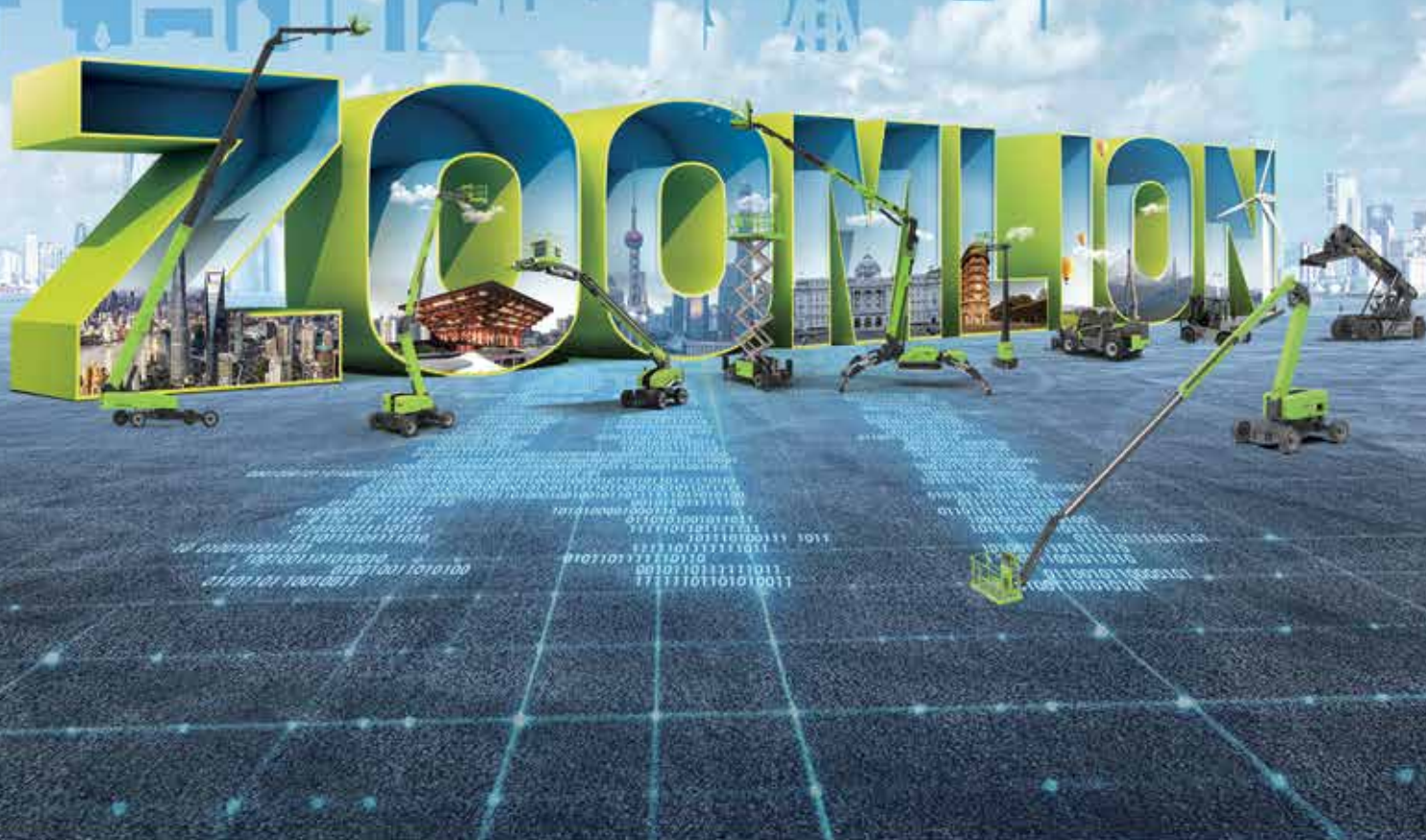
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The new Sany SCE600 TB telescopic crawler crane



XCMG XT2506E telehandler



An Ausa mini telehandler on a trailer



Part of the XCMG stand



The Lemax LT14S spider lift



The Universal Mats stand



Fall arrest equipment on Aresta stand



The Emovr tracked carriers are now distributed by Jekko UK



LGMG tracked scissor lift



The new Sany SCD 150 carry deck crane



JMG pick & carry crane



Stirling GP's stand featured two new trailers



The Axolift Pop-Up team L-R Phil McFadden, Wiktor Bogdan, Eleonora Bernadi and Massimo Grossele



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