

CHEP UK receives third RoSPA Gold Award



CHEP, the world's leading provider of pallet and container pooling solutions, announced today that it is among the winners in the RoSPA Occupational Health and Safety Awards 2015. The company has been awarded the Gold award for the third consecutive year in the prestigious annual scheme run by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA).

As the UK's family safety charity, RoSPA's mission to save lives and reduce injuries covers all ages and stages of life. In support of this mission, the RoSPA Awards, which date back 59 years, recognise commitment to continuous improvement in accident and ill health prevention at work.

Through the scheme, which is open to businesses and organisations of all types and sizes from across the UK and overseas, judges consider entrants'

contribute to raising standards overall and we congratulate them."

CHEP UK & Ireland Country General Manager, Rod Francis, said: "We take safety incredibly seriously within our business, and the processes we have in place along with our Zero Harm programme are rigorous. To receive the Gold Award for a third consecutive year is a fantastic achievement by and for all our people, from our safety professionals helping with processes and frameworks to our leaders setting the tone, to all our frontline colleagues' everyday thoughts and actions."

The majority of RoSPA's awards are non-competitive, grading achievement at merit, bronze, silver and gold levels. Organisations that maintain high standards in consecutive years can win gold medals, president's awards and orders of distinction.

BITA announces two new Board appointments

BITA has made two new key appointments to the BITA Board, Stan Harris of Linde Material Handling, and Jan Lorenz of Jungheinrich.

Harris, MD of Linde East and Scotland has been with Linde for approaching a decade. He brings a wealth of experience to his new role, which involves Board responsibility for the BITA Academy through which the industry's joint apprenticeship scheme is run.

Commenting on his appointment: "I was an apprentice engineer myself and I passionately believe that bringing young people into our industry is not only vital but our duty. Demonstrating that an interesting and rewarding career is available in a growing sector is an important part of this."

Jan Lorenz joined the BITA board last year after his appointment as MD of Jungheinrich UK, and brings with him 10 years' experience with the Jungheinrich Group in a variety of management roles. He will be responsible for the Truck Suppliers' Group (TSG), which includes virtually all of the companies



Stan Harris.



Jan Lorenz

supplying industrial trucks in the UK today, and examines the range of issues and policies which affect manufacturers and distributors.

He said: "The TSG plays an important role in drawing together industrial truck suppliers across the UK to discuss common issues and challenges. It is also key to ensuring manufacturers and distributors are represented in relation to the issue and policies which impact on them, and making sure they have a voice."

Commenting on the appointments James Clark, Secretary General of BITA: "I would like to welcome Stan and Jan to the Board - they are both hugely experienced and will bring a wealth of knowledge of the industry to bear for the benefit of all BITA members."

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