

EPTDA ELECTS NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Left to right: Roberto Cugnascchi, Manfred Beitel, John Westerling, Mehmet Ali Ülgen, David Harrow and Dick Winkelhuis.

The European Power Transmission Distributors Association (EPTDA) has a new board of directors, elected by the general assembly of members at the 10-year anniversary and annual convention held in Brussels.

Manfred Beitel of WLB Antriebselemente Handelsgesellschaft mbH, Germany is now the association's president for the next two years. Before joining the EPTDA in 2001, he was a member of the U.S. affiliate organization, the PTDA. "I am keen on leading this successful association into its new decade," Beitel says. "After 10 years of existence, EPTDA can be proud of its exceptional development and growth. I trust that, together with the board of directors and the continuous support of our members, EPTDA has a bright future ahead."

The new board of directors includes David Bassas Del Rey of Tecnotrans, Spain as the first vice president; John Westerling of S&N Osakeyhtiö, Finland as treasurer; and Karl Weindinger of ContiTech Antriebssysteme GmbH, Germany as manufacturer council chair. As directors at large, the general assembly appointed David Harrow of Godiva Bearings, U.K.; Henrik Göpert of AB Sverull, Sweden; Mehmet Ali Ülgen of Silkar Otomotiv Sanayi ve Ticaret A.S., Turkey; and Dick Winkelhuis of Spruit Transmissies, the Netherlands.

Roberto Cugnascchi, the immediate past president of EPTDA, says "EPTDA aims to stand as the voice of the PT/MC industry and offers a unique, strong and steady platform for networking, exchanging ideas and seeking support in difficult times."

Bishop-Wisecarver President

JOINS CMTA BOARD

The California Manufacturers and Technology Association (CMTA) extended an invitation to Pamela Kan, president of Bishop-Wisecarver Corporation, to join the board of directors. The CMTA works to enhance the business conditions for the 30,000 manufacturing processing and technology based companies in California.



Pamela Kan

The association collaborates with the state government to develop balanced laws, effective regulations and sound public policies to stimulate economic growth and create jobs while safeguarding California's environmental policies.

"My father [founder, Bud Wisecarver] started a long tradition of community involvement, on the state and local level, for Bishop-Wisecarver and its executives," Kan says. "Joining this group of dedicated individuals focused on critical issues faced by California manufacturers is an honor, but also a responsibility. It is clear that industry must be more involved to affect changes in government policy."

Hydraulic Institute

GROWS BY SIX

Six companies joined the Hydraulic Institute (HI) in 2008 as members and associate members.

The new members include: Smith & Loveless, Inc., Crane Pumps & Systems and Warren Rupp. The new associate members are Emerson Control Techniques, Graphite Metallizing Corporation and ASCO Power Technologies.

Hydraulic Institute members participate in creating ANSI-approved standards and collaborate to achieve the HI goal of being a global authority on pumps and pumping systems.

Convex

JOINS SYNQNET PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

Danaher Motion Performance Controls recently announced that Korean control system specialist, Convex, has become a member of the SynqNet Partner Program. The partnership program is available to qualified vendors that develop and distribute complementary, commercially available products that integrate with SynqNet network products and ensure ongoing compatibility for growth.

“We are deeply pleased to join the SynqNet network with our servo drive,” says Eun Seok Kim, precision control center director at Convex. “Motion networks based on Ethernet technology have proven significant in the Korean market as demands for real-time control dictate. In recent years, we have experienced increased demand for network motion systems with simple cabling and cost savings in industrial automation equipment manufacturing.”

Ross McMillan, director of engineering at Danaher, is pleased to welcome Convex to the SynqNet partner community. “The partnership enables us to offer OEMs affordable, low-power, single- and multi-axis drive platforms to support their high-performance and cost-critical motion system applications,” McMillan says.

Master Distributors

EXPANDS CYNERGY3 PARTNERSHIP

The complete range of products by Cynergy3 Components, including reed relays and liquid level sensors, are now offered by Master Distributors due to an expanded partnership between the two companies.

“We are pleased to be partnered with a company like Master Distributors that understands the importance of holding high levels of stock for immediate delivery, provides excellent support and has a great online market presence,” says John Mason, Cynergy3 sales manager. “We know we can rely on Master Distributors to service the customers well, whether they need new product design-ins or spares and replacements.”

Cynergy3’s reed relays are used in applications such as high frequency radio equipment, high voltage power supplies and medical and test instrumentation. The company’s liquid level and flow sensors are used in applications that include

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Rotork Valve Actuators

ORDERED FOR
MAJOR CHINESE REFINERY



Rotork IQPro valve actuators were installed in a processing area of the Qinzhou Refinery.

Over 1,000 Rotork intelligent electric valve actuators were ordered for installation in the Qinzhou Refinery, a \$1.6 billion project in South China. The PetroChina-owned refinery is designed to improve the energy supply across southwest China.

The Rotork IQPro intelligent actuators with Pakscan P3 network control systems are being installed in the following areas: crude oil, LPG, petroleum and diesel tank farms, processing and water purifying plants and wastewater treatment works.

Rotork’s office in Guangzhou—in the Guangdong Province—is coordinating and supporting the actuation contracts. Other recent Rotork projects in the Chinese oil and gas industries include the 4,000 km West to East Natural Gas Pipeline, for which over 700 Rotork IQ electric actuators were ordered.

Air-Operated Transporters Manufacturer

CELEBRATES 25 YEARS

Vibro Industries celebrates the 25th anniversary of its line of Air-Operated Transporter Conveying Systems. Since the product’s introduction in 1984, it has been reengineered to function without lubrication and has been field tested under actual manufacturing conditions at New Standard Corporation in York, PA.

The transporter uses two pneumatic cylinders instead of springs to operate on air pressure to move a product tray using oscillating conveying. It consumes .09 CFM at 60 PSI, a low level of air consumption, and it operates without oil. The Vibro Air-Operated Transporter is used in applications to remove scrap from beneath machine tools, materials handling operations, pharmaceutical and other processing applications. The product line includes seven units of various capacities.

“Our 24-year success is based on the longevity of our transporters and the customer service that we provide,” says Leroy Johnson, president of Vibro Industries. “Our transporters are found in leading manufacturing companies worldwide.”



The Vibro Air-Operated transporter, since its first introduction 25 years ago, has been re-engineered to operate without lubrication.