

PRESS RELEASE

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PALFINGER MARINE'S HARRY KLAVERSTIJN APPOINTED CHAIR OF ILAMA

The International Lifesaving Appliance Manufacturers' Association (ILAMA) has appointed Harry Klaverstijn, Manager Regulatory Affairs at PALFINGER, as its new chair. In July, he was elected by the members of the association at its annual general meeting in London. Harry brings over 40 years of experience and expertise in the marine and offshore safety industries to his role. He continues working on key issues affecting ILAMA members, most notably lately, the development of new SOLAS requirements on ventilation in totally enclosed lifeboats.

Harry Klaverstijn as well as the ILAMA technical committee work closely with the International Maritime Organisation (IMO). "Together, we are aiming for effective solutions to enhance maritime safety. Also, they must be practical for lifeboat manufacturers to implement," says Harry Klaverstijn.

Lifetime commitment to maritime safety

Harry Klaverstijn has represented the global safety equipment manufacturer PALFINGER in ILAMA since 1998 and has been closely involved with the association in that time. From 2000 to 2015, he served as chairman of ILAMA's technical committee, which develops the content of technical papers for IMO, while also representing ILAMA members at many IMO and Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) meetings. He coordinated numerous ILAMA standpoints on high-level topics on the IMO agenda. Recently, Harry has helped develop Polar Code regulations on life-saving appliances for ships sailing in polar waters as well as goal-based standards for alternative designs.

About ILAMA

ILAMA promotes excellence in manufacturing, training and maintenance of life-saving appliances and enhances safety at sea globally. It represents the collective voice of its international membership to put forward draft papers for new equipment requirements, improve existing legislation and ensure that views, discussions and concerns about SOLAS regulations are heard by the IMO and other regulatory bodies. As a non-government organisation (NGO), ILAMA holds an observer and consultative status at IMO. The association also holds a category A liaison with the International Standardisation Organisation (ISO) and has observer status to attend and participate in both the EMSA MED Experts Group and MARED.

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About PALFINGER MARINE

As a global partner for innovative and reliable deck equipment and lifesaving appliances, PALFINGER MARINE supplies high-quality products to fulfil standardised and customised demands. Supported worldwide by a network of experienced and skilled specialists, we provide flexible and efficient service solutions. Our portfolio gives a competitive edge to customers in the maritime and offshore industry.

About PALFINGER AG

For many years PALFINGER has been one of the world's leading manufacturers of innovative lifting solutions for use on commercial vehicles and in the maritime field. As a multinational group headquartered in Bergheim, Austria, the PALFINGER Group, which has approximately 11,000 employees, generated total sales of around EUR 1,616 billion in 2018.

The Group has manufacturing and assembly facilities in Europe, CIS, North and South America, as well as Asia. The pillars of its corporate strategy are innovation, internationalisation, enhanced flexibility of products, services and processes, and PALFINGER 21st (the development of smart solutions and innovative, data-based business models). PALFINGER is regarded not only as the market leader, but also the technology leader in the global market for hydraulic loader cranes. With a network of more than 5,000 sales and service centres located in over 130 countries across all continents, PALFINGER is always in proximity to its customers.

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