

Engcon Scoop Plantworx Innovation Award

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Engcon's NPORS Tiltrotator Safety Training initiative has been recognised by the Plantworx Innovation Awards, achieving Highly Commended in the Commitment to Skills category.

The Plantworx Innovation Awards recognise and celebrate innovative companies, products or services that have made a major impact in the construction equipment industry. Louise Murphy, CEA (organisers of the awards) said: "Judging was really tough this year as we had a record number of entries."

Robert Hunt, Chief Executive of Engcon (UK), commented: "We are thrilled to have won this prestigious award. As the largest tiltrotator manufacturer in the world, we take our corporate responsibility seriously and it's very gratifying to have our efforts recognised. When we identified this potential safety awareness issue, we decided that a coherent safety approach was necessary and for this reason sought a national accreditation body to help devise and regulate the course. Because Engcon was the only manufacturer of tiltrotators to have a corporate presence in the UK, rather than being represented by dealers, it was difficult to attract interest from other tiltrotator suppliers to participate in the scheme. However, a fundamental value of the course is that it should apply to all tiltrotators, not just the market leader."

The Tiltrotator Safety Training covers the core elements of a tiltrotator and its use and has been specifically developed by experienced tiltrotator operators to address issues specific to tiltrotator use, including attachment selection, causes of instability when using a tiltrotator, safety checks/signals, and the regulations relating to lifting operations and equipment. To date, a total of 15 NPORS instructors covering the whole of the UK have been trained, tested and accredited to carry out this programme and Engcon offers this certification free to all new and existing Engcon owners.

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