

Italian contractor taps Grove RT550E rough-terrain cranes for tight petrochemical work

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- Officine Dandrea specializes in working in challenging petrochemical environments, where workspace is limited
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Italian contractor Officine Dandrea (Dandrea) has purchased four brand-new Grove RT550E rough-terrain cranes. Dandrea chose the RT550E due to its compact design, maneuverability and superior lifting performance at height.

Operating predominantly in petrochemical environments, Dandrea is used to working in challenging, highly congested areas. As a result, the company puts a premium on machines that operate at the highest level of performance with the smallest possible footprint.

“The RT550E fits our requirements perfectly,” explained owners Giacomo and Nicola Dandrea. “It can perform lifts that were previously only possible with a two-axle, all-terrain crane, meaning it also has a lower total cost of ownership. What’s more, with Manitowoc’s Crane Control System (CCS), the joystick functions are configurable for all crane functions (turning, hoisting, boom telescoping and jib operation). Response curves and operating speeds can also be adjusted to the operator’s convenience.”

The RT550E boasts 45 t of capacity and a 39 m boom, leading its class in both categories. Measuring less than 12 m long, 2.55 m wide and weighing under 29 t, the RT550E is a compact crane that fits well within most European road regulations for heavy machinery.

The first two units were delivered in March of 2018, with the third and the fourth following in the next coming months. The deal was managed by FIMI SpA, Manitowoc’s dealer for Grove mobile cranes in the south of Italy.

“We’re proud to be able to offer these superior products to Dandrea. I’m confident they will benefit greatly from them,” said Adriano Filesi, managing partner of FIMI SpA. “The Grove RT550E has become a successful model for Manitowoc, with a significant number of units already delivered.”

Officine Dandrea is based in Basilicata, in the south of Italy, and is well-established in the region. It also offers forklift, aerial platform and telescopic handler services.

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