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Another successful trade show for Goldhofer

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Goldhofer and co-exhibitor **Volvo Trucks** certainly drew the crowds with their first combined presence at NordBau 2023 in Neumünster in the far north of Germany. The highlight of the trade show was the first heavy-duty combination configured by Goldhofer brand ambassador Iwona Blecharczyk comprising a Volvo FH16 truck and a seven-axle Goldhofer »MPA« semi lowloader.

The visitors to this year's NordBau flocked to the fairgrounds in perfect weather. And they found plenty to keep them happy at the first joint Goldhofer and Volvo Trucks stand. A four-axle »TRAILSTAR« trailer and a three-axle »STEPSTAR« with two pairs of wheel recesses proved convincing examples of the vehicle family concept developed by Goldhofer for the »STARLINE«. Visitors were additionally impressed by the intelligent details including the practical load securing system and form-fit pocket stakes. These flexible workhorses also have an optimal payload to deadweight ratio and Wader container locks. The »STARLINE« vehicles are

available with Goldhofer's unique CargoPlus tires for axle loads of ten or twelve tons and the advantages of a loading height that is much lower than with conventional tires.



Carsten Duwe, Sales Manager Northern Germany at Goldhofer, explaining the benefits of the »STARLINE«.

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The »STEPSTAR« was on display in combination with a Volvo FH Electric tractor unit. With up to 666 hp continuous power and a range of up to 300 km, the Volvo FM Electric is the ideal choice in urban areas for container transports, crane services and much else – with a greatly reduced environmental impact. The FM Electric naturally comes into its own in zero-emission zones or at times of the day when the use of diesel vehicles is restricted. Not only is the FH Electric significantly quieter than conventional vehicles, the electric motor also delivers maximum torque immediately, which gives very smooth full power delivery. With a gross combination weight rating of 44 t, it is also well-equipped for heavy-duty work in the harsh environment of the

construction site.



Goldhofer brand ambassador Iwona Blecharczyk (right) at the official handover of her »MPA« 7 at NordBau by Marcin Michalak (left), Sales Manager Poland.

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The highlight of NordBau 2023, however, was the first heavy-duty tractor-trailer configured by Goldhofer brand ambassador Iwona Blecharczyk with her Imagination Transport company, comprising a Volvo FH16 and the Goldhofer »MPA« 7. With its 750 hp, the Volvo FH16 in the 8x4 version is the ultimate in power from Volvo Trucks. It is capable of handling a gross combination weight of up to 325 tons. Volvo Active Grip Control ensures that maximum traction and startability performance are available in all conditions. For low speeds when maneuvering with heavy loads, the Volvo FH16 features the I-Shift transmission with crawler gears. This means problem-free drive-off with the heaviest loads at all times.



The 7-axle version of the »MPA« – a winner in terms of maneuverability, axle load and low loading height.

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Outstanding lateral stability has been one of the keys to the success of Goldhofer's »MPA« axle technology since its launch in 2013. In addition the small number of components makes the »MPA« an extremely low-maintenance solution. It is designed for high axle loads of 15.6 t at 20 km/h and combines a wide steering angle of 60° with a low loading height of only 785 mm. The robust design and high bending resistance of the vehicle frame ensure maximum reliability and a long service life. This is also the verdict of Iwona with her long years of experience as a trucker: "In the workaday world of heavy haulage I have to be able to rely on my vehicle completely, and robust engineering and reliable solutions have always been the hallmark of Goldhofer. That is why there was only one serious contender for my first semi lowloader: Goldhofer." This was also the verdict of the many visitors to Goldhofer's Nordbau stand according to Carsten Duwe, Sales Manager Northern Germany: "At NordBau, Europe's biggest compact trade show for the construction industry, all our

products had the power to convince. The response of our customers was nothing short of enthusiastic.”
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On the road into the future with the Volvo FH Electric: all-electric and lots of power with a gross combination weight rating of 44 t.

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