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5th Edition of GIS: Success Beyond All Expectations

The 5th edition of GIS closed on October 3rd with remarkable figures; it was visited by over 6,000 skilled professionals from Italy and abroad, firmly establishing this highly specialized event in the international show calendar. With great satisfaction to the organizers, the number of exhibitors at GIS was double that of the 2013 edition, including a number of impressive stands and outside exhibits, with some presenting their latest machines and equipment as a world première. Indeed, among the over 180 exhibitors representing over 240 brands, more than 100 mobile cranes, crawler cranes, truck loader cranes, aerial platforms, removal lifts and telescopic handlers were on display at the exhibition in Piacenza. Also some impressive machines for container handling, tractors and trailers for heavy transport, as well as various types of forklift trucks for the movement and storage of goods were on



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show at GIS. Also shown at GIS was a special machine for lifting disabled people at airports, a market sector that uses a wide range of machines on display at the fair for lifting and aircraft maintenance. Exhibitors also included manufacturers

of alternative lifting systems, such as hydraulic jacks, hydraulic air cushions and hydraulic gantry systems, as well as a significant number of Italian and foreign manufacturers of spare parts and special tires for lifting and handling equipment. ■

Infra Oman Witnessed Largest Gathering of Professionals

The fifth edition of Oman's International trade event for infrastructure & industrial projects, Infra Oman 2015 was held from 5 – 7 October 2015 at the Oman International Exhibition Centre, Seeb. The exhibition was inaugurated by Dr. *Rasheed Al Safi Khamis Al Huraibi* –

Chairman of the Tender Board Oman. The three day event was organized by **Al Nimr Expo** and supported by the **Ministry of Transport and Communications, Ministry of Regional Municipalities & Water Resources** and the **Muscat Municipality**. As

the Sultanate of Oman is pushing ahead with its rapid development with the ongoing construction of major infrastructure projects in many parts of the country, more development projects, costing billions of dollars, are set to be implemented in the coming years as the Sultanate takes concrete measures to diversify its economy. Much of the expansion is fueled by the desire to alleviate pressure on Muscat's main port and airport, transforming the capital into a more attractive tourist destination. Infra Oman is the largest gathering of decision makers from across the infrastructure and energy sectors including government representatives, developers, and consultants, offering companies the opportunity to showcase their abilities, develop new business contacts and maintain market share through gaining first-hand knowledge on upcoming projects and industry trends. ■



From the Opening ceremony