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**TADANO MANTIS GTC-1200 – 130 ton / 120 tonne Telescopic Boom Crawler Crane  
NAMED 2014 LLEAP AWARD WINNER FOR THE CRANE CATEGORY  
BY *LIFT AND ACCESS* MAGAZINE**

We are pleased to announce that the new TADANO MANTIS GTC-1200 has been named a winner in the Crane Category for the Leadership in Lifting Equipment and Aerial Platforms (LLEAP) Awards which recognizes products, components, and accessories that are innovative or have advanced the state of the lifting and access industry.

The GTC-1200 is the first new product introduction since the purchase of Spandeck, Inc. by TADANO in 2008. The crane design project was conceived and executed by the TADANO MANTIS Engineering Group. The Boom development was a joint project between TADANO, Ltd. and TADANO MANTIS Engineering to develop a long, round, full power boom that could withstand the rigors of pick and carry, out of level operation and the use of foundation tools.

Judging of this contest is performed by a panel of industry experts and the key factors for evaluation are:

- **Innovation:** Is this product truly innovative?
- **Influence:** Will the product influence the market in a positive way?
- **Benefit:** How will the product benefit owners and operators?
- **Leadership:** Does the product or feature lead the industry in some way?

(the complete description of the contest and the judge profiles are printed in the November / December Edition of *Lift and Access* Magazine, [www.liftandaccess.com](http://www.liftandaccess.com))

Referring to the judging criteria points noted above, we offer the following explanation:

- **Innovation:** TADANO MANTIS Engineering applied for and received 3 new patents for this crane:
  - BOOM TELESCOPE SYNCHRONIZING & SEQUENCING CONTROL
  - METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR INSTALLATION AND REMOVAL OF BALLAST
  - REMOTELY ACTUATED SWING LOCKING MECHANISM FOR MACHINERY WITH ROTATABLE UPPER WORKS
- **Influence:**
  - TADANO Group Global design: combines the best technologies from the Group companies to bring forth a superior crane
    - Crawler and Crane development from Tadano Mantis



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- Boom design technology from Tadano Japan
- Jib system from Tadano Faun.
  - The GTC-1200 presently utilizes the ATF-130 jib system.
- Main and auxiliary winches from Tadano Japan.
- The Tadano AML-C Rated Capacity Indicator system
- HELLO-NET Telematics system
- Boom Hoist Cylinder manufactured from Tadano Japan.
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- Benefit:
  - The GTC-1200 incorporates all of the core performance competencies of the MANTIS crane with long boom and jib lengths and market leading capacity.
- Leadership:
  - Highest Capacity American Manufactured telescopic boom crawler crane in the market.

We congratulate the efforts of the employees of TADANO MANTIS Corporation who have worked hard to bring this new crane to market, and we look forward to a successful market introduction of the product in 2015 when production shipments begin!





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