



Modular vehicles move extreme loads under challenging conditions. One transport module is equipped with two to eight axle lines or with four to 16 pendulum axles.

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## Spectacular special vehicles, now also online

- A new online presence is putting special axles and running gears at the forefront
- Fascinating insights for commercial vehicle professionals and all technology enthusiasts
- A variety of transport achievements and running gear solutions made accessible
- Peter Lindner: "Special vehicle construction is the poster child of German engineering"

Wiehl, 8/12/2022 --- Anyone with even a rudimentary interest in technology is bound to be interested in the special vehicles of the commercial vehicle industry. As a leading partner to special vehicle manufacturers, BPW wants to capture this interest, enthusiasm and variety within the industry and present it online on its own website, to appeal both to laypeople and professionals.

As a market leader for special axles and running gear systems, the family-owned company, BPW, based in Wiehl, North Rhine-Westphalia is getting the ball rolling on the most spectacular feats of engineering in the commercial vehicle sector: on hundreds of axles, they transport wind turbine blades, bridge components, pre-assembled modules of industrial plants and even passenger ships between locations. The market for special vehicles is growing and the boom in wind power, the renewal of roads, bridges and motorways and the movement towards pre-assembled components all ensure that vehicle industry order books will be well filled, even in times of crisis.

But how is it that today more and more ever larger and heavier goods - even things that were long considered untransportable - are being moved via the road? BPW explains it all on a new, independent website: spezialachsen.bpw.de/en. First launched at industry trade fair Bauma in October, BPW shared the wide range of special vehicles on the site, as well as the technical solutions that these vehicles can mobilise. For each type of vehicle from Low loader trailers and Module transporters or Plateau semi-<u>trailers</u> to solutions for <u>Gardening and landscaping</u>, BPW shows which axles and running gear technologies are possible today. At the same time, it shows how a customised chassis solution is developed, step by step, together with the vehicle manufacturer. Exciting real-life examples are continually added to illustrate the industry's achievements: photo reports, for example on the <u>Transport of a 70 year old horse chestnut tree</u> of a 6-axle modular vehicle in the Netherlands or of two 124-meter passenger ships on 200 special axle <u>lines</u> with 1,600 wheels in Turkey, combining information with entertainment value.

Peter Lindner, Sales Director of Customised Solutions at BPW: "Special vehicle construction is the poster child of German engineering, and it's worthy of more public attention. With the new website, <a href="mailto:spezialachsen.bpw.de">spezialachsen.bpw.de</a>, we want to convey the fascinating impact and power of our industry to our customers, partners, employees and the media. At the same time, we have been able to bring our trade fair presentation at Bauma in Munich online to be accessed throughout the year. We are also consistently updating our website with current reports on spectacular feats of

## About BPW Bergische Achsen Kommanditgesellschaft

BPW Bergische Achsen KG is the parent company of the BPW Group. With around 1,500 employees, including around 100 trainees, the family-run company has been developing and producing complete running gear systems for truck trailers and semi-trailers at its headquarters in Wiehl since 1898. BPW's technologies include axle systems, brake technology, suspension and bearings. BPW's trailer axles and running gear systems are in use in millions of vehicles around the world. An extensive range of services also provides vehicle manufacturers and vehicle operators with the opportunity to increase economic efficiency in their production and transport processes. <a href="https://www.bpw.de/en">www.bpw.de/en</a>

## About the BPW Group

The BPW Group researches, develops and manufactures everything needed to ensure that transport keeps moving and is safe, illuminated, intelligent and digitally connected. With its brands BPW, Ermax, HBN, HESTAL and idem telematics, the company group is a preferred system partner of the commercial vehicle industry around the globe for running gear, brakes, lighting, fasteners and superstructure technology, telematics and other key components for trucks, trailers and buses. The BPW Group offers comprehensive mobility services for transport businesses, ranging from a global service network to spare parts supply and intelligent networking of vehicles, drivers and freight. The owner-operated company group currently employs 6,945 staff in more than 50 countries and achieved consolidated sales of 1.632 billion euros in 2021. www.bpw.de/en

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