

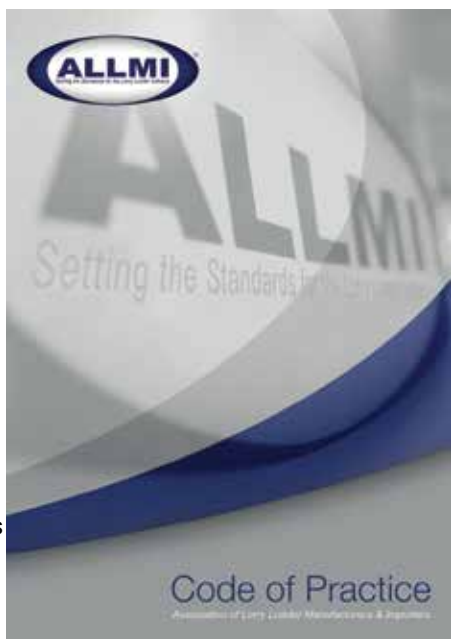
New ALLMI Code of Practice

Earlier this month ALLMI released its new revised and updated Code of Practice (CoP) for members of the association.

Chief executive Tom Wakefield explains the changes and rationale behind the new Code: "We released the revised document at the beginning of our new membership year on 1st February, and the response has been extremely positive. Further to extensive consultation with ALLMI board members and a discussion at our Membership Event last year, we have taken a radically different approach to the format of this

document, compared to the previous Code of Practice. The reason for this is that the vast majority of the former Code's subject areas are now covered by applicable British and European Standards, to which ALLMI has direct input and influence, along with ALLMI Guidance Notes, the ALLMI/CPA Best Practice Guide, and the association's various training programmes. Therefore, to revise the Code using the same format would involve an impractical and unnecessary duplication of documentation. Furthermore, this new approach enables the Code of Practice to focus on a Statement of Commitment for members to sign up to, confirming that they will work in accordance with applicable standards and legislation, manufacturer guidelines, ALLMI guidance documents and good practice, as well as verifying employee training and safety, and the highest levels of professionalism, honesty and integrity. These are all guiding principles that have long formed the basis of our membership auditing system."

"The new Code of Practice will be heavily promoted during the coming months and beyond, thereby providing even more credibility to members of the association. We are very happy to provide a copy to all industry stakeholders, and so would encourage people to contact us, should this be of interest."



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BSI Distributor Status for ALLMI

ALLMI has reached an agreement with the British Standards Institution (BSI) to become an official distributor for the organisation. ALLMI technical manager, Keith Silvester explains: "With standards development being one of the association's core activities, we have a long established and mutually valued relationship with BSI, and this new agreement further strengthens those ties. All ALLMI members of course sign up to adherence with the applicable standards, and distributor status means that we can now provide these documents at a significantly discounted rate, making them even more accessible."



ALLMI to sponsor ISO Crane Conference

ALLMI will be one of the key sponsors for the ISO TC 96 Crane Conference, taking place in London from 31st May to 7th June this year. ALLMI chairman, Mark Rigby said: "This international conference takes place annually, and it is great to see it back in the UK for the first time since 2009. It will enable the coming together of technical specialists from more than 20 countries worldwide, with numerous working groups discussing a range of important issues affecting the design and safe use of cranes. We therefore take great pleasure in supporting such an important and high-profile event, which plays a crucial role in the development of industry standards."



Election Time

Having both successfully retained their places, Mark Rigby of Palfinger UK will now serve a 14th consecutive term as chairman of the association, whilst Steve Frazer-Brown of David Watson Transport makes it 14 years in a row as chairman of ALLMI's fleet owner division.

Mark Rigby said: "It is a great privilege to be able to continue in the chairman's role and to work with the ALLMI board, as well as the wider membership, in bringing about positive change to the industry. ALLMI has a strong and ever increasing influence over the raising of standards, and the projects we have planned for 2019 will see us taking further significant steps forward in this regard, improving health and safety to the benefit of all those involved with lorry loaders."

Steve Frazer-Brown added: "I am honoured to serve in the Forum chairman's position once again, to continue to represent fleet owners on the ALLMI board, as well as to work with the Forum Executive Committee on so many important issues. ALLMI has always done an excellent job of developing and promoting good practice, but with every year that passes the association gains further strength and impetus on numerous fronts, ensuring that safety remains at the forefront of operators' minds and attitudes."



Mark Rigby (left) and Steve Frazer-Brown (right)



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