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Pontis introduces turnkey "pre-form" moulding solution

Prefabricated laminate packages reduce in-mould cycle time

Pontis Engineering, specialist in the development of advanced composites, presents its latest innovation in moulding & tooling solutions at the world's most important wind energy trade show: HUSUM WindEnergy 2012. Through a unique process called "pre-forming" rotor blade manufacturers are enabled to reduce in-mould cycle times and increase output significantly.

The solution is as simple as effective: availability of the main mould is increased by largely moving the rotor blade production process to sub-moulds. Stacked layers of glass are applied on separate tools. These so called "pre-forms" come in handy modules which can easily be loaded into the main mould. Then the individual modules are smoothly joined, resulting in a rotor blade of the highest quality and durability.

Pontis Engineering director Dirk Jan Kootstra says: "We are proud to introduce this full turnkey preform solution including all necessary advice, training and hardware to our international wind energy clientele and we are confident that this innovative approach will set a new standard for rotor blade manufacturing".

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About Pontis Engineering

Pontis Engineering is an ambitious and independent international company, active in the rapidly growing industry of advanced composite products.

We specialise in integrated engineering solutions for the development of these products, excelling in innovative power, cost effectiveness and quality.

We add value to our partners by composing the optimal mix within the value chain, leveraging on our extensive industry knowledge and network, highly expertised workforce and international presence.

With our one stop shop service, we form the bridge between concept and realization of highly effective and innovative composite products.

Pontis Engineering has its headquarters in Amsterdam, The Netherlands and local operations in China (Pontis China), USA (Pontis USA Inc.) and Rouveen, the Netherlands (Pontis Netherlands).

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