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Bardex® Corp. Strengthens Presence in European and Northeast Asian Markets

GOLETA, CALIF., March 12, 2026 – Bardex®, a leading global provider of engineering and systems for marine-based heavy lifting, transfer, and restraint, is pleased to welcome new representatives who will play critical roles in expanding Bardex’s opportunities in Europe and Northeast Asia: Joanna Sek, in Poland, and a team from Hamanaka Chain Mfg., in Japan.

Joanna Sek has extensive experience in supporting international companies entering Central and Western European markets. Her strong focus on building trust through localized presence and open communication aligns perfectly with Bardex’s hallmark approach to client and prospect relations. In addition to Polish, Sek is fluent in English, French, and German and has a working knowledge of Russian.

For nearly a century, Hamanaka Chain Mfg. has distinguished itself as the premier producer of innovative, high-quality marine products that enhance safety in harsh environments. Hamanaka was the first in Asia to use Swedish flash-butt welding technology and is the only company in Japan producing ultra-high strength offshore chains. The chains are used in several Bardex systems, including OmniLift®, Off Vessel Tensioning, and movable chain jack mooring systems; additional applications include anchor chains for ships over 10K tons, mooring and tsunami observation buoys, and offshore wind farm components.

Hamanaka’s extensive experience and deep local knowledge of the shipbuilding and repair, oil and gas, and offshore wind industries, together with Bardex’s manufacturing facility in South Korea, position Bardex to be a significant player in modernizing shipyards and other marine infrastructure projects in Japan and the broader Northeast Asian market.

“We are pleased to welcome our new partners in Europe and Japan as we continue expanding our global footprint,” says Nick Atallah, Director of Product Development for Bardex. “Their regional expertise will support our international growth strategy and bring our solutions to these key markets.”

Bardex representatives for other regions throughout the world can be found at <https://www.bardex.com/contact-us/>.

About Bardex: Bardex® provides novel engineering insights and designs, prototypes, and manufactures proprietary equipment to solve the marine industry’s heaviest challenges. In addition to delivering advanced heavy-lift and transfer systems, Bardex also provides shipyard infrastructure advisory services—helping facility owners and operators evaluate, plan, and future-proof their shipyard investments with practical, experience-driven guidance.

For over 60 years – and 300+ projects for shipyards, ports, and the offshore energy industries – the Bardex mindset has always been to be a trusted, collaborative partner whose first step in any project is to understand exactly what the client needs to accomplish. That approach has produced more than 20 patents, many repeat clients, and countless innovations that make the seemingly impossible possible, while improving safety, efficiency, and our clients’ profitability across a diverse range of applications.

Bardex manufacturing facilities are ISO 9001, ISO 14001, and ISO 45001 certified. To learn more, visit <https://www.bardex.com> and follow Bardex on LinkedIn to stay in touch.

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