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## **Atlas Copco Launches New 8 Series Compressor Range**

Atlas Copco has launched the 8 Series, a range of 10 new air compressors. All models in the 8 Series range fall below the 750kg limit and therefore require no special driving license to tow. Reliability, efficiency and higher utilisation levels, coupled with superior performance, enable the range to offer a maximum return on investment for rental and construction partners.

Ideal for use on construction sites and in other demanding environments, the new 8 Series compressor range benefits from Atlas Copco's pioneering air element design, making the compressor up to 150kg lighter than comparable models. During the development phase, particular consideration was given to improving the compressor's efficiency and the latest advances in the 8 Series mean that fuel consumption is significantly reduced. The new range uses an average of 12% less fuel than comparable products.

The compressors' compact and lightweight package mean that despite incorporating a full-size fuel tank, aftercooler and generator, all models fall below 750kg. The largest compressor in the range can produce 5m3/min of air and can still be towed by a normal passenger car. However, the inclusion of a new and updated HardHat® canopy ensures the 8 Series models are tough enough for the harshest conditions.

Incorporating reliable Kubota engines, the compressors feature an anti airlock system for guaranteed starting. Service is made simple as all parts are easily accessible and the filtration uses a simple spin on system. Remarkably, the 8 Series only requires an hour's total service time over two years of operation.

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The 8 Series line-up initially comprises of 10 models, ranging from the XAS 38 Kd, with a free air delivery of 2m<sup>3</sup>/min, to the XAS 88 Kd, with an air delivery of 5m<sup>3</sup>/min. Two models in the range come with built-in generators.

Ben Van Hove, Vice-President, Marketing at Atlas Copco's Portable Energy division, said: "The launch of the revolutionary 8 Series is the result of more than 10 years of continuous development. Throughout the design and engineering process, we have focused on advances that provide tangible benefits to our customers, without compromising a single aspect of design or performance. As a result, the 8 Series is versatile, efficient and a valuable ally in maximising uptime on site."

The 8 Series range of compressors are available with a buy back guarantee from Atlas Copco, which ensures the compressors' asset value and allows owners to easily calculate the capital return.

Atlas Copco is a world-leading provider of sustainable productivity solutions. The Group serves customers with innovative compressors, vacuum solutions and air treatment systems, construction and mining equipment, power tools and assembly systems. Atlas Copco develops products and service focused on productivity, energy efficiency, safety and ergonomics. The company was founded in 1873, is based in Stockholm, Sweden, and has a global reach spanning more than 180 countries. In 2015, Atlas Copco had revenues of BSEK 102 (BEUR 11) and more than 43 000 employees. Learn more at <a href="www.atlascopcogroup.com">www.atlascopcogroup.com</a>

Atlas Copco's Construction Technique business area provides construction and demolition tools, portable compressors, pumps and generators, lighting towers, and compaction and paving equipment. It offers service through a global network. Construction Technique innovates for sustainable productivity in infrastructure, civil works, oil and gas, energy, drilling and road construction projects. Principal product development and manufacturing units are located in Belgium, Germany, Sweden, the United States, China, India and Brazil.

**Portable Energy** is a division within Atlas Copco's Construction Technique business area. It develops, manufactures and markets portable compressors, high pressure boosters and generators for portable power worldwide. Products are offered under several brands to a wide range of industries including construction, mining, oil and gas, and rental. The divisional headquarters and main development center are located in Antwerp, Belgium. Production facilities are located around the world, mainly Belgium, Spain, USA, India, Brazil and China.