ZERO Accidents Vision in the beverage industry

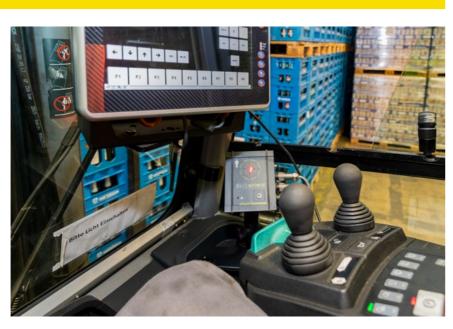
It's even safer at Feldschlösschen thanks to FLOKON

Feldschlösschen is Switzerland's leading brewery and largest distributor of beverages. The company's ZERO Accidents strategy aims to reduce the yearly number of safety related incidents to zero by 2030. In order to achieve this, Feldschlösschen and its MHE supplier Jungheinrich decided to install ELOKON's radio-based proximity detection and warning system ELOshield.

The production facility at the company HQ in Rheinfelden is spread across a number of locations including a basement, meaning that a mix of employees on foot as well as those driving forklifts work in close proximity. The high level of human and motorised traffic poses a heightened risk of accidents, particularly in areas with limited visibility such as thoroughfares and entrances to transfer aisles.

Warehouse Manager Martin Waldmeier: "we wanted to use the latest technology to ensure the highest level of safety in our logistical operations. We chose ELOKON as a partner due to its wealth of experience in the beverage sector which enabled us to offer optimum protection for our workforce. As the products are also OEM-independent, we have been able to retrofit them to our entire forklift fleet."

The various functionalities of ELOshield were individually configured according to the requirements of specific hazardous zones. If a forklift enters these areas, the ELOshield vehicle module triggers a warning signal and automatically reduces the vehicle's speed. Personnel wear or carry personal transponders, which emit acoustic and vibration warning signals whenever a forklift or industrial vehicle approaches. The ultra-wideband technology (UWB) ensures unobstructed



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protection as people and vehicles can be promptly detected and alerted in blind spots and through obstacles.

"The ability of ELOshieldSPEED to automatically reduce vehicle speed was particularly important for us," explains Waldmeier, and adds: "with some of our forklifts moving loads of up to 3.5 tonnes, this not only increases the risk to our staff but can result in costly damage to goods and infrastructure in the case of a collision. We were also very impressed with the ELOshield variants which

allow customised security concepts for different areas."

Matthias Merklinger, Key Account Manager After Sales at Jungheinrich sums up: "from initial consultation to commissioning, the ELOKON team was always there for us whenever we needed them. The systems are working perfectly and as a result we have been able to successfully prevent operational accidents."

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