

# Kerry - **TALKE**

## Chemical Logistics

### **Kerry-TALKE promotes development of bulk polymer distribution in China**

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Kerry-TALKE Chemical Logistics (Shanghai) have made important investments to support their key clients in the petrochemical industry in improving their supply chain when importing plastics into mainland China.

In a pioneering move, Kerry-TALKE has installed their first state-of-the-art bagging machine for packaging plastics in one of their locations in the Waigaoqiao Free Trade Zone area of the Shanghai Port. The machine packages plastic granules, arriving in bulk in special liners inside traditional sea-going containers.

“Shipping in bulk from production facilities, particularly in the Middle East, The US and South East Asia, enables our clients to increase their payload, whilst bringing their product closer to the receiving market, before making a final decision on the packaging mode,” said Kevin Loyens, General Manager, Kerry-TALKE.

Shanghai was chosen as the best location for the first packaging line but future developments could entail similar lines in any of the 8 hubs that Kerry-TALKE is already operating in China.

The company sees the delayed decision on packaging as an important factor in the development of bulk deliveries to Chinese receivers, ultimately reducing the use of packaging materials. In order to develop this market, Kerry-TALKE is offering support to their clients in the supply, installation and inventory management of bulk storage silos.

“The growth of bulk polymer deliveries in China is inevitable but requires an element of mindset change, supported by the required logistical infrastructure and equipment. Our strong footprint in the Middle East together with the strengths and network of Kerry-TALKE put us in an ideal position to support this development,” said Richard Heath, Director Operations, Middle East & Asia, of TALKE Logistic Services.

#### **About Kerry-TALKE Chemical Logistics:**

Headquartered in Hong Kong, Kerry-TALKE was founded in 2007 as a company combining the specialised chemical and petrochemical know-how of TALKE with the extensive network of Kerry Logistics in China. The Chinese operations are headquartered in Shanghai and Kerry-TALKE has already developed an extensive network of warehouses and operations throughout China.

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The business portfolio entails polymer imports as an important spearhead but the company also handles domestic warehousing, export / quality control and integrated site logistics for its chemical and petrochemical customers.

### **About Kerry Logistics:**

Kerry Logistics is Asia's premier logistics service provider. It manages the supply chains of its customers from manufacturing in Asia and China, to sourcing from the region and distribution to all over the world. With its head office in Hong Kong, Kerry Logistics is operating in over 320 cities in 23 countries with a staff strength of over 10,000. In Greater China alone, it offers integrated logistics solutions to customers throughout a network of over 260 business and operations centres, covering all capital and second-tier cities.

### **About TALKE Logistic Services:**

The TALKE group, established in 1947, is a leading logistics service provider to the chemical and petrochemical industry in Europe, the GCC and Asia. With its origins in the transport and warehousing of chemical products, over the years TALKE developed into an integrated service partner for modern outsourcing and contract logistics solutions.

The family owned and operated company presently employs more than 1600 people in a network of 24 locations in Europe, the Middle East and Asia. TALKE also designs constructs and operates on-site logistics centres integrated in the chemical production plants of its clients.

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