

HYDRO INTERNATIONAL INTERVIEWS TOMAS HJELMBERG

New Era for Hydrographic Software Company



After a string of acquisitions and mergers in the last few years, QPS, as part of the HITT group of companies, became part of the Swedish Saab group more than a year ago. Dutch founders Bert Jeeninga and Peter Das retired last December and Tomas Hjelmberg took over as leader of the Dutch company specialising in industry leading software for collection, post processing and visualisation of maritime geomatic data. Time for Hydro International to talk to the Swede, now residing in Holland, about his strategy for the software company, located in Zeist.

Could you tell our readers a bit more about your background? Who is Tomas Hjelmberg in 3 sentences or 10 words?

I have a Master of Science in Applied Physics and an MBA. I have been working in the defence industry for 28 years now, which is most of my career. I have held different management positions, working with mergers and acquisitions and integrating other companies into the Saab group, the latter probably being one of the reasons that I was selected for this job. I have been living in the Netherlands for 6 months, coming from Sweden, and I enjoy it very much.

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