**Success in Amsterdam: Semmco range is a hit at Helitech International**

This year [Helitech International](https://www.helitechinternational.com/) gathered 3,000 buyers from around the world who came to visit 150 international exhibitors across the rotorcraft sector. [Semmco](https://rebrand.ly/SemmcoHelitechPR), manufacturers of ground support equipment and aviation access platforms exhibited at the show for the first time, showcasing its entire range for the helicopter sector. The ‘Super Steps’ platform was on display, demonstrating the range of options available on Semmco helicopter maintenance platforms and docking systems which provide safe and easy access for the maintenance of helicopters.

In the rotorcraft sector, the access requirements for engineering and refinishing can be very different as the refinishing work may require working platforms at levels not always ideal for engineering work and the space needed between the helicopter and working platform[[1]](#footnote-1). The Health & Safety Executives (HSE) highlights that employers need to provide safe access for all purposes, which requires careful planning.[[2]](#footnote-2) Access arrangements may need to change as work progresses throughout the day.

Integral access steps and working platforms are essential for engineering efforts to allow easy access to the rotors and engine for a streamlined process that does not exceed the time allocated for aircraft checks. Although helicopters tend to be smaller than other aircraft, the height of their rotor assemblies can still pose a significant risk of injury from a fall.[[3]](#footnote-3) Working at height can be dangerous; engineers need to remove major components when cleaning and examining the aircraft while working on high-level platforms. The equipment used must guarantee protection whilst being compliant to safety standards.

Made from lightweight aluminium, Semmco’s range of helicopter products are designed for easy use and transportation during maintenance tasks.

**Semmco’s super steps and CGI video launch**

At [Helitech International](https://www.helitechinternational.com/) the Semmco team ensured attendees could interact with Semmco’s variable height ‘Super Steps’ following a live demonstration on how the various elements of the steps operate. Attendees were able to test out the ‘Super Steps’ first hand while the Semmco team explained the equipment features and adjustable options depending on customer requests. While testing the equipment out, attendees saw how lightweight and easy the steps are to use and move, saving critical time throughout the working day. Also shown were the different optional extras depending on customer requirements, including different aluminium treads and variable heights.

Additionally, Semmco’s new CGI video for the helicopter sector was on display, visually demonstrating how Semmco’s lightweight rotorcraft equipment can be easily moved around the aircraft by one or two people and safely accessed for maintenance work. The film shows the Variable Height Docking System developed for a Sikorsky S-92 / AW139 helicopters. To view Semmco’s helicopter docking system CGI video, [click here.](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mfi-xgpPrx4)

Stuart McOnie, Managing Director at Semmco explained, “We were really excited to strengthen our positon in the global rotocraft sector and were delighted to such positive feedback on our range at Helitech International. We pride ourselves on designing equipment with the engineer’s requirements front of mind to make their working day easier. With offices in the Middle East and America, we are ready to service the global market and look forward to continued growth in this sector over the coming months. “

Semmco’s range of helicopter access equipment can be altered to suit customer needs and requirements of the aircraft ensuring ease of use. To find out more please call the UK office on +44 (0) 1483 757200 or visit [www.semmco.com](https://rebrand.ly/SemmcoHelitechPR)

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About Semmco:

Semmco is an innovative British engineering company that designs, manufactures, installs and services a wide range of ground support equipment and aviation access platforms for its global network of aviation clients.

Established in 1993, Semmco HQ and factory is based in Woking, UK, with other offices in Texas, USA and Dubai, UAE. Semmco operates globally, supplying major airlines and rail operatives, the military and other industries with access requirements for maintenance of machinery. Semmco LPS offer respiratory safety equipment for teams working in high-risk working environments.

Semmco holds the ISO9001-2015 accreditation, and MRP & 5S have also been implemented. The company has also been awarded accreditation from Safe Contractor for its commitment to achieving excellence in health and safety. Semmco, intelligent engineering.

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