

Ottobock Healthcare to provide Technical Service for athletes competing at the Sochi 2014 Paralympic Winter Games

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Ottobock builds further on success of London 2012 Paralympic Games

At the XI International Investment Forum in Sochi, it has been announced German company Ottobock (<http://www.ottobock.co.uk>), a leading provider of innovative technology and services for people with limited mobility, has been named the exclusive provider of technical service for athletes competing at the 2014 Paralympic Games in Sochi. The agreement was signed by Dmitry Chernyshenko, President of the Sochi 2014 Organising Committee, and Oliver Jacobi of Ottobock Moscow. Within the framework of the signed agreement Ottobock will provide a team of expert technicians to perform maintenance and repair of prostheses, orthoses, and wheelchairs used by athletes in competition as well as daily life.

The agreement was signed fewer than two weeks after the conclusion of the London 2012 Paralympic Games, where 80 Ottobock experts from 18 countries performed maintenance and repair services for the 4,200 competing athletes.

Ottobock has provided technical service to the Paralympic Games (<http://paralympic-press.ottobock.com>) since 1988. This in-depth and unique expertise can now be relied on by the organisers of the Paralympic Games in Sochi; Ottobock representatives will offer services for the repair and maintenance of prosthetic and orthopaedic products for all Paralympic athletes participating in the competitions at the Mountain and Coastal Clusters.

“Support of the Paralympic Movement has long been an integral part of our company culture,” stated Oliver Jakobi. “The Paralympic Games demonstrate in an inspiring way that people with limited mobility can not only live an active life but can also achieve impressive athletic successes. For almost 25 years, Ottobock specialists have repaired the equipment of thousands of athletes at Paralympic Games and other sporting events around the world. I am confident that our experts’ experience will help support the Paralympic athletes at the Winter Paralympics in Sochi in 2014 and contribute to the overall success of the Games.”

“I am glad that the technical equipment supplier for the Paralympic athletes is the world-renowned company Ottobock,” stated Dmitry Chernyshenko, President of the Sochi 2014 Organising Committee. “The reliability and high quality of this company’s services cannot be doubted - it has successfully collaborated with the International Paralympic Committee for more than 20 years. A common goal unites the Sochi 2014 Organising Committee and the Ottobock company - to attract as much attention as possible to the successes of the Paralympic athletes and to the theme of the Paralympic Movement.”

About Ottobock Healthcare (<http://passion.ottobock.com>)

Ottobock is a world leading supplier of high quality, innovative and practical solutions that restore human mobility and help people to rediscover personal independence. Ottobock Healthcare is part of the Ottobock global group of companies established in the UK in 1976. Its wide product range includes high quality prosthetic and orthotic components, wheelchairs, rehabilitation and mobility products available

through the country's leading clinics and dealers. With a highly motivated and skilled team of professionals offering expert advice, product sales, service and support, Ottobock solutions enhance the physical comfort, confidence and mobility of the individual. Ottobock aims to achieve the best possible outcome for its customers, combining the latest technology with cutting-edge products and services.

Ottobock has been a Partner to the Paralympic Games providing technical service since the Seoul 1988 Paralympic Games. A Worldwide Paralympic Partner of the International Paralympic Committee since 2005, at the London 2012 Paralympic Games Ottobock extended its sponsorship until 2016.

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