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## **LH LINK PIVOTING FRONT LINKAGE NOW AVAILABLE FOR ALL TRACTOR BRANDS**

The LH Link pivoting front linkage was unveiled at the Agritechnica trade fair in Hanover, Germany, in 2007. The innovative pivoting front linkage attracted enormous attention internationally and was awarded the DLG Silver Medal, one of the most prestigious awards in the agricultural machinery sector.

At the launch the LH Link was attached to the front of a Valtra N Series, and it was available only for Valtra tractors. In recent years, however, the product line has been extended, and the LH Link pivoting front linkage has been fitted to John Deere, Fendt and other tractors.

“The LH Link is available on Valtra N and T Series tractors, either factory fitted or retrofitted, and also retrofitted on the new T Series. Finnish John Deere distributor Agrimarket also fits the LH Link to new JD 6000 Series tractors, and we deliver them retrofitted to Deere. The pivoting front linkage is also being made available on the Fendt 700 Series,” says Risto Leppäkangas, Project Manager at LH Lift Oy.

In addition to the versions available on Valtra, John Deere and Fendt models, LH Lift also offers a general purpose pivoting front linkage that is suitable for other tractor brands. To attach the general purpose pivoting front linkage, the fittings and hydraulics systems are supplied individually for each model.

The LH Link pivoting front linkage improves working efficiency for tasks that require the use of the front linkage, such as snow ploughing, street brushing and mowing. According to customers, LH Link improves productivity by 25 to 30 percent, allowing them to recoup their investment rapidly.

The pivoting front linkage also improves safety. The turning cylinders feature shock valves that cushion the impact if the driver hits a rock or other obstacle when ploughing, for example. With a fixed linkage, such an impact could easily damage the implement or tractor. The pivoting front linkage is also safer on the road, as it allows the implement to be swung out of the way of other traffic. Attaching implements is also easier, as the linkage can be turned instead of having to move the tractor back and forth.

The LH Link pivoting front linkage turns up to 35° in both directions and can carry loads of up to 3.5 tonnes. Two versions are available: an automatic version in which the linkage turns according to the tractor’s front wheels, and a manual version in which the linkage can be turned and lifted with a joystick regardless of the position of the front wheels.

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