

Charpak welcomes Etienne Dodane

Etienne started his career as a pilot on helicopters and jet aircraft. He then trained in aerospace and automotive plastic-engineering, which resulted in gaining a technical MBA specialising in International Commerce, further completed with other degrees in Business-Law and Project Management.

He has spent much of his career mentoring designers and leading major technological developments in the field of robotic thermoformed production and transit packaging, acquiring specialist expertise in the domain of dangerous-goods transit applications for the Automotive, Aerospace and Defence industries.

Researching plastic mechanical engineering, robotics and polymers to support key developments in the domain of automotive, interior/exterior trims and under bonnet OEM-components to develop complex international supply chains is a key skill set. Achievements include pioneering and implementing alternative plastic engineering technologies for tier-component and the Transit Packaging industries supported by ground-breaking robotics development in the field of plastic engineering such as Twin-Sheet Process, injection moulding and extrusion.

Etienne has led major International OEM and Tier-Supplier MP&L optimisations resulting in faster and greener logistic flows, producing significant vehicle manufacturing cost-savings.

In particular, Etienne has developed and championed the introduction of assembly line vehicle protection systems used by most OEMs across the world today and introducing the most advanced asset-tracking technologies to speed up third-party logistics material flows.

Recent work has included researching, championing and driving environmental programmes in close relationship with circular economy initiatives resulting in positive impacts in the domain of MP&L.

Justin Kempson - Director of Sales and Innovation.

"We are delighted Etienne has joined the business, with his wealth of experience over many years with major automotive suppliers. We believe this is a step change in our capabilities. He joins a team with outstanding design capabilities to aid our automotive clients with the transition to greater automation during the production process. Etienne has hit the ground running and already we are seeing results coming through"