



New SmartTower technology used to protect Ryder Cup coverage

VPS SmartTower CCTV system helps to secure this year's unique Ryder Cup TV coverage

As the eyes of the sporting world watch the 2014 Ryder Cup Gleneagles this weekend, an innovative piece of VPS Site-Security technology will help keep the TV coverage on-air for the millions of viewers expected.

VPS, the European leaders in vacant property management, have supplied their award-winning SmartTower CCTV system to help protect and secure the television and media compound at Gleneagles during the event.

The SmartTower CCTV is designed specifically for use in remote, vulnerable or temporary environments such as this prime bi-annual golfing event. It combines an alloy sub frame and pneumatic mast, which allows it to be deployed in any terrain. The top of the tower houses a high-end, wireless pan-tilt-zoom (PTZ) camera, with on-board storage capacity of up to 64GB. As it can be powered by AC power, wind, solar or hydrogen fuel cell, the SmartTower can operate even if core utilities are not easily available.

"This is the first time the Ryder Cup in Europe will be broadcast live in its entirety to America, and it's great to be helping our security partner at one of the major sporting events in the world." comments Mr Anthony Owen, the Managing Director for VPS Site-Security.

The VPS SmartTower CCTV is used to protect remote or challenging environments, such as construction sites, utilities, and critical infrastructure locations. It was designed by VPS' innovation centre Quatro Electronics, at their Lytham St Anne's workshop, and earlier this month won a New Product of the Year Award from Security Products in the USA, with B & B Electronics, who developed the high-reliability cellular wireless communication system.

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About VPS Site Security:

[VPS Site Security](#), part of the VPS Group, specialise in security and monitoring solutions for challenging and difficult environments, continually providing outstanding reassurance, confidence and importantly, innovation.

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About the VPS Group:

[VPS](#) secure more than 50,000 properties and employ over 1600 staff in locations across the UK, the US, and mainland Europe. They specialise in securing, maintaining and managing vacant property across a wide range of customer and industry sectors.

Core building services cover the vacant, unoccupied and void property lifecycle from an initial risk assessment, to security, including guarding, monitoring, clearing, cleaning, maintenance and preparation. These services protect properties against unauthorised access and a variety of hazards such as arson, theft, squatting and unauthorised occupation. www.vpspecialists.co.uk/

About Quatro:

Quatro Electronics, part of the VPS Group, specialise in security and monitoring solutions for challenging and difficult environments, continually providing outstanding reassurance, confidence and importantly, innovation.

The Quatro team prides itself on recruiting and retaining the most innovative people in the industry. Our values are based around being professional, dynamic and respectful in everything we do.

The success of our business is founded on the strength and enthusiasm of the individuals who support it. Our experienced and diverse workforce enables us to serve our customers well at the local level whilst through the support of the VPS Group, having the global scale to support it. Our technical expertise is based on strong links with both industry and education.

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