

Polyte visits South Africa

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Date Jonkman

Date Jonkman from Polyte recently came to South Africa for the very first, visiting local distributor DWR Distribution and Polyte users in Johannesburg.

“We met up with a lot of clients, really nice guys,” said Date. “I felt very comfortable with them. The funny thing is that typically when you walk into a rental company, no matter if its based in North of Europe, Holland or Spain, the people are always the same.”

Date has been with Polyte since 2002. “Like many other people in this industry, I was a DJ at the time, playing records and that is how I came to meet the former owner of Polyte,” Date recalls. “We had a beer together and he said I should work for his company.” With a background in the hotel industry and having attended hotel management school, Date knew that while this was totally different, he had had a good understanding of what the work would entail. “I was out for three and a half years, and came back in 2010. Pauli got me back,” he laughs.

Robert Izzett from DWR has met with Date many times over the years. “He is an amazing guy and we appreciated the visit,” said Robert. Date is temporarily filling in for Paul-Erik Haseloop.