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Polin highlights variety of new product offerings



Polin's Kubilay Alpdogan and Sohret Pakis with three of the four Brass Ring awards the company won at November's IAAPA Expo

Among the many products being highlighted on the booth of Polin Waterparks was Splash VR which has been in development by the company for two years.

The first example of the system was installed at The Lands of Legends waterpark in Antalya, Turkey, last July and sees one rider in a four person raft don a waterproof, VR headset to experience customised content, in this case a journey through the lost city of Atlantis.

It is the first waterslide in history to incorporate virtual-reality simulation into the journey and depending on the chosen content, waterslide riders can experience a unique and wholly different experience to the norm, entering diverse, one-of-a-kind worlds as they shoot through a slide's bends and curves. Using sensors throughout the ride the system also uses GPS technology so it knows exactly where the rider is on the ride at any time. The new development is the result of a collaboration between Polin Waterparks and Polymorph Software of France and can be retrofitted to existing attractions.

"We aim to be a one stop supplier," explained Polin's Sohret Pakis. "The industry's needs are changing so we work together with others in the industry and partner with them to develop these new products. Such strategic partnerships open up new opportunities for us all."

Visitors to Polin's booth could also try four different rides on a VR simulator, while also being introduced was the Bubble Arena circular wavepool which creates waves from air/bubbles coming up from the base of the centre of the pool.

Also being promoted was a new children's flume ride, the first example of which has been completed in Turkey. Four versions of the ride will eventually be available, including the Mini, Midi, Maxi and Mega.