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Best of both worlds

ALMERE, The Netherlands, October 2008 - SOKKIA BV, European Head Office, announces new business partner GEODATA for tunnelling and underground surveying solutions.

In order to meet the tough and specific requirements of the underground surveyors and tunnellers, it was a logical step for SOKKIA BV and GEODATA to join forces by offering a joint tailor-made and dedicated solution to this demanding market segment.

The result is a flexible, modular and integrated total surveying solution that will guide construction companies through any tunnelling or underground project such as optical 3-D monitoring, setting out and/or profile management, no matter which kind of tunnelling method is used.

Jan van der Weijden, managing director of SOKKIA BV says: "Together we will provide the most advanced monitoring and surveying solutions for all kinds of underground construction. After GLM, our partner for industrial applications now our new partnership with GEODATA again brings an excellent combination of dedicated solutions. Klaus Rabensteiner, President of GEODATA Group comments: "Our customers can expect not only a boost in their productivity when using the most comprehensive system on the market but will also benefit from the access to our extensive knowledge pool in underground surveying and monitoring."

SOKKIA total stations with EUPALINOS software from Austria based company GEODATA, offer high performance solutions to all geodetic tasks in the field of tunnelling, underground surveying, tunnel surveying, monitoring, tunnelling heading control and geotechnics. It includes complete administration, computation and visualization and covers all relevant projects like road- and railway tunnels, hydro power, utility and investigation galleries, shafts, caverns and subsurface mines independent from construction method and special project conditions.

About SOKKIA

SOKKIA, founded in 1920 in Japan, is a leading manufacturer in developing complete measurement solutions for surveying, construction and industrial measurement applications. SOKKIA's portfolio includes GNSS systems (Global Navigation Satellite Systems), reflectorless and robotic total stations, automated 3-D stations, digital theodolites, automatic/digital levels, rotation/line lasers and software.

About GEODATA

The GEODATA group is an innovative international supplier of integrated, IT-based solutions and services in the monitoring and engineering surveying field with a special focus on tunnelling and underground construction. As an independent specialized company with more than 20 years of experience gained in projects around the world, GEODATA supports private and public clients in the sustainable improvement of their quality, reliability and profitability.

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