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**Doka Best Austrian Company in the GCC**

**Global leader’s Middle East operations honored**

**December 11, 2012, Dubai, UAE** – During an annual gala event organized by the Austrian Trade Commission for the GCC, Doka, the formwork technology leader in the construction industry, was named winner of the “Best Austrian Company in the GCC 2013”.

The esteemed award, which receives applications from numerous companies, aims to highlight a corporate leader in contributing “Operational Excellence” and hence expanding growth of the bilateral relations between Austria and the GCC. Scrutiny and selection of the recipient is managed by the Austrian Trade Commissioner for the GCC and an independent advisory board from the Austrian Business Council.

Mr. Peter Vogel, Director Doka Group Middle East was present to receive the award, as well as senior Doka management from the region. Expressing his appreciation, he said, “Doka Middle East region is a robust operation whose growth has increased ten-fold over the past decade. Our ME roots date back to the 1970's, with today thousands of completed projects in the highrise, commercial, residential building and civil engineering sectors. Our secret to success was sharpening our competitive edge [as we served the region], ensuring the best formwork technology and engineering are provided to the construction market. With our specialized expertise we will continue to be a leader in the construction sector.”

Closing the presentation, Doka thanked the Austrian Trade Commission for its proactive support throughout, and Peter Vogel reiterated the companies commitment as a corporate member of the Austrian Business Council to propagate Austrian commercial interests in the region.

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PC110762.jpg Photo Caption: In a gala event held at the Raffles Hotel Dubai, Peter Vogel, Director Doka Group Middle East receives Best Austrian Company in the GCC 2013 Award on December 11, 2012 from the Austrian Trade Commission.

*(left to right) Klaus Eidelpes, Chairman Austrian Business Council; Dr. Stefan Pistauer, Director of Middle East and Africa Austrian Federal Economic Chamber of Commerce; Dr. Wolfgang Penzias Austrian Trade Commissioner; Josef Kleindienst CEO Austria Business Center; Peter Vogel, Director Doka Group Middle East*

***About Doka:***

*Doka is one of the world leaders in developing, manufacturing and distributing formwork technology for use in all fields of the construction sector. With more than 160 sales and logistics facilities in over 70 countries, the Doka Group has a highly efficient distribution network which ensures that equipment and technical support are provided swiftly and professionally. An enterprise forming part of the Umdasch Group, the Doka Group employs a worldwide workforce of more than 5600. [www.doka.com](http://www.doka.com)*

***About Doka in the Middle East:***

*Since the 1970’s Doka has been the region’s strongest and most reliable full-line formwork technology partner. Doka Middle East has twelve subsidiaries across* ***UAE, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Oman, Kuwait, Bahrain, Lebanon and Jordan****. Doka’s engagement with customers initiates from the earliest design stage of a project through to its shell completion. With each project requirement customers receive added value services from their local Doka branch offices - including consulting, engineering, onsite supervision by Doka formwork instructors, sales, rental, preassembled formwork and onsite assembly service packages, material inspection, reconditioning and return. The region’s logistics are supported with stockyards in each country, plus a 50,000m2 regional hub in the Jebel Ali Free Zone Dubai.*

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