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**Headline:**

Doka Middle East win accolade for innovation

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Formwork specialist Doka acknowledged at AHK 2015 awards

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Doka Middle East has won the AHK Innovation Award at the German Emirati Business Awards 2015 for their real-time, concrete strength measuring device Concremote, according to a statement issued by the company.

Held for the first time in the Middle East, the awards acknowledge outstanding performance amongst German Emirati companies across six categories including, corporate social responsibility, education, innovation, technology, production and start-ups.

AHK chief executive officer, Dr. Peter Goepfrich, commented; “We are proud to be honouring best achieving companies in the UAE and Germany. The Awards come as a natural step in our efforts to bring the business communities together and highlight exceptional efforts exerted by these companies especially in what enriches the relationship between the UAE and Germany. AHK undertakes to make the Awards an annual highlight in the business calendar, assuring that outstanding performance is always recognized and rewarded."

Honoured only a few months earlier in the same category, that time at the Big Project ME Awards, Doka was once again acknowledged and picked up the ‘Excellence in Building Technology 2014’ award specifically for their ‘Concremote’ system.

‘Concremote’, which was introduced to the market in early 2014, enables greater quality control and cost efficiency by providing real-time information about the concrete via a concrete maturity sensor system, helping to reduce cycle times and commissioning quantities by accurately informing about the optimal time to remove formwork.

Speaking on behalf of Doka Middle East, Regional Director Mr. Peter Vogel, said; “It feels very good to see our product Concremote being recognised for the value it adds to construction operations.

The Doka Group constantly invests their professional competence and experience in innovations that are economical for construction processes and set a new benchmark in construction safety and speed.”

Doka is currently engaged on a number of ongoing projects in the Middle East including Dubai’s Marina 106 and Abu Dhabi’s Midfield project.

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**ABOUT DOKA GROUP (GmbH) – “The formwork experts”**

Founded in 1958, the Doka Group was established in Amstetten, Austria where it supplied formwork and engineering solutions to the numerous infrastructure projects.

In 1961, the company expanded its operations to Germany and further to Brazil and Kuwait in 1977. 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.

Supplying a range of products, systems and design services, including formwork panels, slab formwork, wall formwork, one-sided wall formwork, climbing formwork, tunnel formwork, dam formwork, bridge formwork, shoring/false work, tie systems and filed support, software and training, Doka’s business includes production, equipment sale & rental, engineering and maintenance.

An enterprise forming part of the Umdasch Group, the Doka Group employs a worldwide workforce of more than 6000. In 2013, the group’s combined revenues reached €1.1 billion of which 88% were generated from international projects.