



## EUPAVE Newsletter - February 2016

### A Word from the President, Mr. Stéphane Nicoud: EUPAVE goes from strength to strength

I would like to use this first newsletter of the New Year to wish all of our stakeholders the very best for 2016. The New Year is also a time for assessing progress, which brings me to EUPAVE's very successful 2015 and an exciting year ahead.

In 2014, EUPAVE created a new membership category - **"Partner"** - specifically with contractors and practitioners in mind. In addition, a new "Best Practices Working Group" was set up with the aim of discussing technical issues and sharing best practices. This group organised a successful public workshop on "Achieving and maintaining the evenness of concrete pavements" in May 2015, which will be followed by a second one on "Joints in concrete pavements" on 17 February 2016. In parallel, EUPAVE's ongoing activities of advocacy, promotion and preparation of technical material have been intensified.



This expansion of scope is paying dividends. EUPAVE has gained 4 new members over the last year or so and will soon count an impressive 10 new contractors and practitioners as partners. This broadening in membership means that EUPAVE is increasingly a place where players all along the value chain of concrete pavements can meet and network - as well as strengthening our basis to continue promoting cement and concrete solutions for transport infrastructure in Europe.

In 2016 we plan to continue to progress and grow. Will you be with us?

**To request membership and partnership details, click [HERE](#).**

### EUPAVE welcomes new members and partners in January 2016



**BBS Barriers** joins EUPAVE as member.

BBS Barriers are designers of premium barrier solutions primarily for the transport and security markets. They license these designs to pre-qualified partners enabling the construction of 'quality assured', cost-effective, and easy to install barrier solutions in both concrete and steel. The company has a proven track record in delivering fully tested in-situ and formed systems that ultimately save lives and protect infrastructure within the UK and internationally.

[www.bbsbarriers.com](http://www.bbsbarriers.com)



**EUROVIA Germany** joins EUPAVE as partner.

EUROVIA Germany seeks to promote social and economic development through solving future construction challenges and securing mobility in a sustainable manner. The group has more than 30 years of experience in concrete road paving, focusing mainly on traffic infrastructure projects.

EUROVIA offers a wide range of services, complemented by extensive expertise in the field of surveying, computational dimensioning and construction of concrete pavements. Supported by the group's own material testing institute, the EUROVIA concrete branch specializes mainly in constructing highway concrete roads including safety barriers, flight operation areas (runways, platforms) and industrial surfaces.

[www.eurovia.de](http://www.eurovia.de)



**OAT GROUP WORLDWIDE** joins EUPAVE as partner.

OAT Group Worldwide is specialized on reconstruction of concrete and asphalt surfaces on

- Airports
- Highways
- Industrial used surfaces.

The OAT company was established in 1977 and is a family company with seven domestic branches in Germany. OAT also has a participating interest in a number of companies in Germany. There are many more companies and cooperations abroad with partners. Today the OAT group has more than 500 dedicated and highly qualified employees. OAT offers high performance in all domains, with short construction periods at reasonable prices.

<http://oat.de/index.php/en/>



**ZETA  
INDUSTRY**

Zeta Industry, Turkey, is the manufacturer of the Fusion Bonded Epoxy (FBE) coated dowel bars and rebars according to ASTM A1078 / A1078M and ASTM A775 / 775M standards respectively.

FBE coated dowel bars are designed and used by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and act as mechanical connection between concrete slabs without restricting joint movement and increase load transfer efficiency. ZETA Industry production is certified by the independent body TUV. With the high production capacity, ZETA industry can respond with the the shortest lead time in big projects.

[www.zetaindustry.com](http://www.zetaindustry.com)

**EUPAVE publishes the position paper "A resilient road network for adaptation to climate change"**



EUPAVE calls on the decision makers to build the resilient, durable transport network for adaptation to climate change. Concrete pavements, thanks to their durability and robustness, are apt to meet the challenges posed by the future climate.

Read here EUPAVE position paper **"A resilient road network for adaptation to climate change"**

## Translation of EUPAVE position paper "Ensuring healthy competition between pavement industries saves public money" into Spanish and Slovene

EUPAVE position paper on **"Ensuring healthy competition between pavement industries saves public money"** has caught the attention of EUPAVE members and authorities in Member States alike, and has already been translated into Spanish and Slovene. Translations into other European languages are on their way.



Read here the position paper in **Spanish**, translated by OFICEMEN.

Read here the position paper in **Slovene**, translated by SLOCEM.

## EUPAVE presentation at CEN workshop on standards for adaptation to climate change

In the context of its Adaptation Strategy, the European Commission has launched an initiative to examine which European (CEN) standards will need to be revised or developed in order for Europe to adapt to the effects of climate change. An analysis of the standards is being undertaken in three areas: energy, buildings and transport. In the area of transport, a workshop with standardisation experts and stakeholders was held on 18 January 2016 in Madrid.

A presentation was given on behalf of EUPAVE by Cesar Bartolome of IECA. In his presentation, Mr. Bartolome outlined the effects that a changing climate will have on roads, and provided EUPAVE's view on the way forward. EUPAVE believes it is relevant to make general (horizontal) standards sufficiently demanding to ensure roads built today will be "future-proof" for tomorrow. This will set a level of performance to be reached - without, however, necessitating a change in product standards. Concrete pavements, thanks to their durability and robustness, are apt to meet the challenges posed by the future climate. EUPAVE is convinced that acting to make Europe's road network more resilient should be done sooner rather than later: in continuing to rely on short-term fixes, Europe will find its road network less resilient in the face of the climate challenges of the future.

Click here to download the presentation **"ADAPTATION OF ROAD NETWORK TO CLIMATE CHANGE"**, Mr. Bartolome

## Eurovia's Betonstraßenbau (concrete road construction) division achievements: 38 interventions in 7 weeks

In just seven weeks (from September to November 2015), the Schutzeinrichtungen (protective devices) department at Eurovia's Betonstraßenbau (concrete road construction) division in Germany rehabilitated restraint systems at 38 road-sign gantries along motorway A9.

These interventions took place in the state of Saxony-Anhalt, on a motorway segment 120 km long, between the Köselitz and Droyssig interchanges, both on the central reservation and road shoulders. The tasks carried out in a short time span included dismantling existing restraint devices, building (by slipform) 1,100 m<sup>3</sup> of foundations to install precast concrete dividing walls, installing more than 10,000 m of concrete safety barriers and steel runners, and implementing the required connections between the various systems. Assistance was provided by the Leipzig division, which handled earthworks.

## Gary Godbersen, President & CEO of GOMACO Corporation, receives award from ACPA

Gary Godbersen, President & CEO of GOMACO Corporation, was awarded the 2015 Hartmann-Hirschman-Egan (HHE) Award. The award recognized Godbersen for his long-time support for the American Concrete Pavement Association (ACPA), dating back more than 50 years.

Read here: <http://bit.ly/10On29n>

## Upcoming events

February 17, 2016

Brussels, Belgium

Workshop: Best Practices in Concrete Paving "Joints in Concrete Pavements"

Click [HERE](#) to download the programme



April 18-21, 2016

Warsaw, Poland

6th European Transport Research Conference

[www.traconference.eu/](http://www.traconference.eu/)



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