



PRESS RELEASE

WTC Bangkok Congress: CIFA (Gold Sponsor) unveils the Telescopic Shotcrete

CIFA, a company in the Zoomlion Heavy Industries Group that's listed with the Hong Kong stock market, is pleased to announce its participation at the World Tunnel Congress 2012 (which will be held in Bangkok, Thailand from 18th to 23rd May) as Gold Sponsor.

The Congress, organized by Thailand Underground and Tunneling Group (TUTG), is a key event for the global underground construction and tunnelling community, with members from various backgrounds (engineers, scientists, academics, researchers and practitioners).

For that reason CIFA, leader for over twenty years in the world of tunnels and underground works, presents the new CST 8.20 (CIFA Telescopic Shotcrete), designed specifically for applications in small size tunnels and for tunnels in mining sector. This model is a new machine and belongs to the segment of compact machines, suitable for tunnels' heights up to 10 m. The solidity of the structure, compact size and versatility are the key features that allow CST 8.20 to tackle the most demanding working conditions.

A brand new boom, designed and manufactured by CIFA and especially developed for mining and for small tunnels. Robust and at the same time versatile and extremely precise on nozzle placement, it has a vertical reach of 10 meters. A unique boom feature is that it can be unfolded and positioned in driving mode and once the machine has reached the work place. The boom has an horizontal slewing ring that allow the operator to follow the entire profile of the tunnel, at every height, with only one joystick movement on the proportional radio remote control.

Central articulated turning chassis has small width dimension and high maneuverability. High clearance on front and back allows it to face off-road surfaces and serious slopes with great agility, while 4x4 wheels drive, hydrostatic transmission for tough terrains and diesel engine are other important feature of the machines. The cabin is FOPS certificated and the driving seat can be turned 180°.

The boom, the chassis, the pumping unit and the additive dosing system UNIFLUX H1.0 are 100% designed, developed and manufactured by CIFA in order to ensure the best performance to our clients, on every jobsite.

“This Congress is the right place to show this CIFA’s jewel to the key players of Tunnelling and Underground” – says Davide Cipolla, CIFA’s CEO – “The CST 8.20 completes the shotcrete machinery product range, so now CIFA could meet better the customer needs offering a full line of tunnelling products. This is a product specific for small size tunnels and tunnels for mining application and it necessary to intensify our communication efforts, above all in qualified contests like WTC”.

About Cifa

Cifa, a full-liner manufacturer of concrete machinery and equipment, is the market leader in Italy, and one of the leading players worldwide. The company, which has belonged to the Chinese industrial group Zoomlion since 2008, is strongly internationalised, with sales and after-sales networks on all continents, and in addition to its range of reliable, high-quality products, also offers customers financial support through Zoomlion Capital Financial Services. For more information, visit www.cifa.com

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