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## Fiori wins SaMoTer Innovation Award

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A concrete mixing machine, capable of automatically loading pre-packaged bags of cement and aggregates to prepare the mixture, has won the **SaMoTer** Innovation Award.

The self-loading mixer for the DB X35 Big Bag, from Italian company Fiori, is said to help reduce work times; the dispersion of dust on construction sites, and wastage of materials.

It was named at Veronafiere, Verona, Italy, during the SaMoTer Day, one of the events leading up to the 30th edition of Italy's most important trade fair dedicated to earthmoving, site and building machinery, which is scheduled for 22-25 February, 2017.

The contest is organised by SaMoTer in collaboration with Imamoter National Research Council.

The jury also awarded four special mentions.

Integrated safety is said to be a salient feature of the new Roto range with an adaptive stability control system from **Merlo**. The telehandler, with a telescopic arm extending by up 35m, is equipped with a sophisticated anti-tipping system.

A special mention for ground operator safety with a mixing bucket safety discharge went to Cangini Benne, and Blend was mentioned for its Luigi automated concrete mixing plant with battery-powered engines, which was developed for London Underground.

In the user-friendly section **Komatsu** Italy manufacturing was mentioned for its display apparatus for a wheeled work machine.