WACKER NEUSON PLANS TO OPEN NEW FACTORY IN CHINA

The Wacker Neuson Group is planning to open a new plant near Shanghai in China. Initially, compact excavators will be produced for the local market, further products will follow. It is planned that the first compact excavator should roll off the production line at the beginning of 2018. Wacker Neuson further extends its production capabilities in Asia and strengthens its local presence in China with the construction of a new production plant in Pinghu, about 10 km from Shanghai. Clem Peiseleim, the chief executive officer of Wacker Neuson SE signed the corresponding contracts on site last Friday. The decision arose from an extensive search for a location. "We have finally decided for the Pinghu location in Zhejiang Province, which best fulfills our requirements and the support of the local authorities is outstanding", according to Clem Peiseleim.

SAMOTER-VERONA OUTLOOK FOR THE WORLD CONSTRUCTION MARKET: INDIA OVERTOOK CHINA IN 2016

India is the new landmark for world construction industry market. In 2015 saw leadership in Asia change hands, with China falling back in terms of global investments in this sector. India posted growth of 5.3% over the year, while China achieved only 4%. This change at the top was confirmed by the presentation of the Samoter-Verona Outlook, the construction sector observatory set up in partnership with Prometeia, the international economic consulting and research company, with the support of Unwecol, the Italian Association of construction machinery and equipment manufacturers. The results were presented today during the second Samoter Day, the training and guidance event focusing on opportunities and trends in the building and construction machinery market in Italy and worldwide.

The focus of the 2017 edition will be on management and prevention of environmental emergencies, with thematic focus meetings dealing with on land consolidation sites and the Italian Government plan which envisages investments of over 7 billion euros and 3,500 different projects.

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