



Topping-out ceremony for new Hall 12 (Copyright: Messe Frankfurt)

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## Topping-out ceremony for new Hall 12: Half-time on Frankfurt's largest construction site

**Messe Frankfurt celebrates milestone event together with ARGE consortium partners Bögl, ZÜBLIN and Engie**

Messe Frankfurt – the world's largest trade fair, congress and event organiser with its own exhibition grounds – celebrated the topping-out ceremony for its new Hall 12 earlier today together with construction workers and trade fair employees.

Less than a year since the foundation stone was laid in October 2016, an important milestone has been reached for the new building in the southwest of the exhibition grounds. So far, some 125,000 cubic metres of earth have been moved, 60,000 cubic metres of concrete and 13,000 tonnes of steel included in the construction, and 11,500 ready-made components mounted in the complex. The current construction site team consists of around 600 people.

At the topping-out ceremony, Uwe Behm, member of the Executive Board of Messe Frankfurt, took the opportunity to praise the sterling work of the construction workers and the consortium consisting of Max Bögl, Ed. Züblin AG and Engie Deutschland GmbH: “We are delighted to have such a capable consortium consisting of highly professional companies with skilled engineers and other specialists working on this new hall for Messe Frankfurt.”

The two-storey hall designed by Kadawittfeldarchitektur GmbH will be inaugurated in time for Automechanika 2018. The building will be approximately 248 metres long, 118 metres wide and approximately 30 metres high. Exhibition space will be around 33,600 gross square metres in total.

An integral component of the new structure’s façade will be provided by the Via Mobile, a covered and glazed transport system with moving walkways and escalators connecting the various halls.

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Stuttgart-based Ed. Züblin AG, with more than 13,000 employees and an annual output of around € 4 billion, is one of Germany’s largest construction companies. Since its foundation in 1898, ZÜBLIN has been successfully realising challenging construction projects in Germany and abroad and today is the STRABAG Group’s leading brand for building construction and civil engineering. The company’s range of services covers all construction-related tasks – from complex turnkey construction, civil engineering and tunnelling to construction logistics, structural maintenance, ground engineering and timber or steel construction. In recent years, ZÜBLIN has been promoting the topics of digitalisation, LEAN.Construction and sustainability and – supported by the many years of experience of its Zentrale Technik competence centre –

is also increasingly offering integrated design and construction from a single source as a general planner. When it comes to partnering, ZÜBLIN has set new standards with its teamconcept partnering model, which has proven its worth on the market for more than 25 years. Current construction projects of the company, a subsidiary of globally operating STRABAG SE, include the EDGE East Side Berlin high-rise project, the Rinsdorf and Rälsbach viaducts on the A45 motorway and the Boyneburg Tunnel on the A44. More information is available at [www.zueblin.de](http://www.zueblin.de).

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