



## PRESS RELEASE

**Expansion of service portfolio and new contracts in Norway – Implenia acquires Norwegian/Swedish tunnel cladding specialist Tego | Contracts won for a total of CHF 40 million to build the “Gryllefjord” road bridge and the “Falkentunnel” | “Acrobats” steel footbridge in Oslo wins “European Bridges Award”**

**Dietlikon, 9 October 2012** – Implenia is acquiring Tego, a company operating in both the Norwegian and Swedish markets. The company achieved sales of around CHF 10 million (about NOK 61 million) in 2011 and employs 20 people. All employees will be taken on by Implenia Norge and continue working on the company's ongoing projects. The transaction is scheduled to complete shortly, subject to approval by the Norwegian competition authorities.

Tego, based in Rygge, Norway, specializes in membrane cladding for tunnels. As part of the acquisition, Implenia Norge is also gaining patented membrane machines that fit membrane elements more efficiently than is possible with a manual process. This high-tech machinery, combined with the competence and experience of Tego's employees, will expand Implenia Norge's service portfolio and strengthen the company as a full-service provider for tunnelling.

### **New contracts: “Gryllefjord” bridge and “Falkentunnel”**

Implenia Norge's order books continue to grow very healthily. The Norwegian Public Roads Administration has awarded the contract to build the “Gryllefjord” bridge to Implenia. This composite steel bridge is one of a series of road building projects designed to improve links on the island of Senja in the far North of Norway, and to increase road safety. Extreme weather poses a particular challenge to those building the two-lane, 8.5 meter-wide steel/concrete bridge. The construction site is periodically exposed to strong winds, high waves and large volumes of snow. The job, worth approximately CHF 20 million (NOK 124 million), is scheduled for completion in September 2013.

In November 2012 Implenia will begin work for the same client on construction of the 1.5 kilometre long Jonsrud–Langsletta section of the existing “FV 33” road. The heart of this section is the 900 meter long “Falkentunnel”, which will provide a more direct route for drivers. The construction work will take around 20 months. This contract is also worth around CHF 20 million (NOK 124.5 million).

### **“European Bridges Award” for footbridge in Oslo**

The European Convention for Constructional Steelwork (ECCS) awards prizes to outstanding international steel bridge projects since 2008. Implenía has recently won a European Bridges Award for building the “Acrobats” footbridge in Oslo. The award was handed over at this year’s European Steel Construction Day & Annual Meeting in Lisbon. According to the ECCS jury, the bridge, approximately 200 meters long and 6 meters wide, boasts an outstanding design that enhances the Oslo cityscape and underlines the appeal of steel as a construction material. Some 600 tonnes of steel were used for the project, which was completed in August 2010 after around a year and a half of construction. Great flexibility was required from all involved, since the bridge had to be built while normal traffic continued to flow.

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The “Gryllefjord” composite steel bridge will be one of several road building projects designed to improve links and increase road safety on the island of Senja in the far North of Norway.



Implenia received the European Bridges Award for the "Acrobats" footbridge in the centre of Oslo.

Implenia is Switzerland's leading construction and construction services company. Formed in 2006 from the merger between Zschokke and Batigroup, Implenia can look back on more than 140 years of history in the construction industry. The company brings the expertise of its highly skilled Real Estate, Infrastructure Construction and Industrial Construction divisions under the single roof of a nationally and internationally active company. With its integrated business model and specialists operating in all its divisions, Implenia can manage a building project through its entire lifecycle and deliver work that is economical, integrated and customer-centric. The focus is on striking a sustainable balance between financial success and social and environmental responsibility.

Implenia, with its headquarters in Dietlikon near Zurich, employs around 6400 people and posted turnover of more than CHF 2.5 billion in 2011. The company is listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange (IMPN, CH0023868554). More information can be found at [www.implenia.com](http://www.implenia.com).