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### **New infrastructure contract in Norway worth around CHF 18 million – Contract signed for construction and electrical work to upgrade the Fannefjord Tunnel | Proof of Implenia Group's comprehensive expertise in maintaining complex infrastructure**

**Dietlikon, 27 October 2014** – Implenia has won a contract for around CHF 18 million from the Norwegian Public Roads Administration (NOK 124 million) for the total refurbishment of the Fannefjord Tunnel, which was opened 22 years ago. Located in the middle of Norway's fjord-land, the 2745-meter long tunnel runs under the sea between the small town of Molde and the nearby island of Bolsøya. The main refurbishment work will take place at night, when the tunnel is closed for traffic. The existing protection against water and frost will be ripped out and replaced. The tunnel will then be cleaned and reinforced with new bolts and shotcrete. The contract also includes constructing additional emergency bays and new technical buildings, as well as widening the tunnel where it is currently too narrow. As well as the construction work, Implenia is responsible for the electrical installations. For example, Implenia specialists will be updating the existing lighting, installing new cabling and earth systems, and implementing a new management system for monitoring traffic. Work begins in November 2014 and should last a year. By winning the contract Implenia Norge has confirmed its reputation for comprehensive expertise in maintaining complex infrastructure. This new project strengthens the Group's regional presence in the Norwegian market.

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Located in the middle of Norway's fjord-land, the 2745-meter long Fannefjord Tunnel links the small town of Molde with the nearby island of Bolsøya. (Source: Google Maps).

Implenia is the leading construction and construction services company in Switzerland. Formed in 2006 from the merger between Zschokke and Batigroup, Implenia can look back on around 150 years of history in the construction industry. The company brings the expertise of its highly skilled Modernisation & Development, Buildings, and Tunnelling & Civil Engineering Sectors, and its Switzerland and Norway Regions 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 more than 6900 people and posted turnover of around CHF 3.1 billion in 2013. The company is listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange (IMPN, CH0023868554). For further information please visit [www.implenia.com](http://www.implenia.com).