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The Middle East Drymix Mortar Association signs MoU with Dubai Central Laboratories

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During the Middle East Conference on Sustainable Building Materials, Dubai Central Laboratories (DCL), represented by Eng. Hawa Abdullah Bastaki and The Middle East Drymix Mortar Association MEDMA, represented by Laith Haboubi will jointly sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regulating the future cooperation of both institutions.

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Here is an excerpt of the document:

"The purpose of this MOU is to establish the terms and conditions under which DCL and MEDMA are to establish a Mortar Testing Laboratory under the Engineering Materials Laboratory Section (EMS) - Structural Unit

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(SU). The proposed name for this facility is Middle East Competence Centre for Drymix Mortars."

"MEDMA with DCL together shall create awareness about modern, high performance, factory mixed mortars in order to realize the full potential and long-term performance.

In this light, it is the intention of both parties

- a) To cross-endorse the Seal of Quality (MEDMA) and the DCL Quality Mark
- b) To start a legislative initiative to make testing of mortars according to choice standards mandatory for all materials specified within Dubai Municipality (after an initial training period for the lab staff of about 12 months)
- c) To review state-of-the-art standards and specification in order to adapt specific regulations for the climate and workmanship common in the UAE.

The conference is taking place on 23.2.11 at Armani Hotel (Burj Khalifa) in Dubai (day 2: 24.2.11, Field Trip and Guided Tours of Dubai Central Laboratories, Al Karama, Dubai). Experts for building materials are expected from throughout the GCC Nations.

The Middle East Conference on Sustainable Building Materials focuses on environmentally compatible building materials, components, systems and technologies. Presentations are dealing with standardization, harmonization of specifications and construction efficiency with the goal to create ecological and sustainable buildings throughout the Middle East.

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MEDMA is the international association for the promotion of Drymix Mortars for better, faster, longer-lasting and quality minded construction. Modern drymix mortars are sustainable, locally produced materials that minimize construction time, energy consumption, failures and maintenance time and cost.

MEDMA members are dedicated to develop, introduce and improve Drymix Mortars in the Middle East. The main applications are flooring screeds, scratch coats, basic & decorative renders, gypsum plasters, putties, tile adhesives, grouts, self-leveling underlayments, thermal insulation systems, concrete renovation, waterproofing slurries and powder paints.

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