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Specialist foundation engineering work on the track: RTG Rammtechnik GmbH and Techne develop track-bound pile driver

Schrobenhausen, Germany – Short shutdown times, demanding geographical conditions and tight spaces: Railway engineering is a challenging area for the use of specialist foundation engineering technology. After all, it is crucial for foundation projects around train stations to block as few tracks as possible in order to maintain operations. Because the use of conventional drilling rigs and pile driving equipment for railway projects often requires considerable expenditure, the company RTG Rammtechnik GmbH, member of the BAUER Maschinen Group, has developed a track-bound drilling rig and pile driver in collaboration with Leipzig-based company Techne and with the assistance of Hering Bau GmbH & Co. KG. In the future, this equipment will make it possible to implement foundation types and depths that previously seemed unviable for the track.

Innovative overall system

The overall system is comprised primarily of the base carrier with leader based on a RTG RG 18 S, one flat carriage to support the leader and another flat carriage for the transport and setup of the attachment parts. When the leader is raised, the equipment reaches a constructional height of approximately 23 m. The leader has a main winch with 170 kN, a pull-down winch with 200 kN and an auxiliary winch with 55 kN. A mast inclination of 5° in all directions is possible during operation to compensate the formation level. In addition, the leader can be swiveled by 90° around the axis of the telescoping arm on either side, so it can always be brought into the desired operating position with respect to the upper carriage. The leader arm can be telescoped up to 2 m. The connection is bolted hydraulically. The telescopic boom allows rapid and precise positioning at the operating point.

Easy transport

The foundation construction machine has a transport length of roughly 15 m and operates on a track width of 1,435 mm. The transport weight is below 110 t, which enables transport without approval. The upper carriage protrudes a maximum of 1.55 m from the track axis, which means that traffic can continue on the adjacent track. Between the leader and the main equipment, only the hydraulic lines are permanently connected in transport position. This concept enables transport as a normal railway vehicle. The connection between the telescopic arm and leader is bolted and then loosened for transport and storing the leader, or tightened for mounting the leader. In transport position, the equipment height is less than 4.30 m.

A range of applications

From pile construction to the installation of sheet pile walls to soil mixing techniques and soil improvement, all methods that are possible with a conventional RG pile driver can be



implemented within a wide work front of more than 9 m from the track axis. The base carrier allows for continuous rotation of 360° around the upper carriage axis. The operator can control all functions of the upper carriage and undercarriage from the operator's cab. In addition, all operating functions of the equipment can be controlled from the outside using wireless remote control. As a result, the operator does not necessarily have to remain in the operator's cab. This facilitates handling under restricted or difficult operating conditions.

At this year's traffic technology trade fair InnoTrans in Berlin, the system was presented to trade professionals. Bernhard Lindermair, Managing Director of RTG Rammtechnik GmbH, explained: "A track-bound machine with these specific performance characteristics is unique on the world market. In addition, the equipment can be used during shutdowns, as setup and operation is possible with an installed overhead line. The first client-owned equipment will be implemented at a jobsite in March 2023."

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(1) The overall system consists of the base carrier with leader based on a RTG RG 18 S.





(2) It can be transported as a normal railway vehicle, because in transport position only the hydraulic lines between the leader and the main equipment are permanently connected.

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