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## Konecranes Rehabilitates two 500 Ton Chinese Cranes in Angola

Konecranes were recently approached to assist SONILS, the Oil Service Center in the port of Luanda, with the rehabilitation of two 500Ton Chinese Portal Cranes. Initially obtained from China in 2007, information and software were missing, but Konecranes pulled out all the stops to get the cranes back in working order. The cranes are now fully operational and can operate in tandem to lift a total load of 1000 ton.

Konecranes has worked closely with SONILS since it was established and has delivered in over 140 of its overhead cranes to the Luanda Logistic Base. Konecranes also provides assistance during installation and commissioning of new cranes. SONILS have their own crane team to carry out servicing and maintenance on all the cranes at the base, but Konecranes currently do all the new installations.

Initially created in 1993 by SONANGOL (Angolan National Oil Company) to develop the Luanda Logistic Base, SONILS has been quickly transformed into a much more ambitious project, with the development of a fully-fledged Oil Service Center, with Industrial and Logistic Facilities and Services able to support the ever increasing offshore developments of the Kwanza Basin.

"SONILS is an enormously prestigious project to be working on", says John MacDonald, Service, Sales and Marketing Director of Konecranes Southern Africa. "Our top experts, in particular Marius Naude and his team, have been very busy with getting the two 500T cranes working again and it was a proud moment for them and Konecranes when they succeeded in doing so".

For more information visit [www.konecranes.co.za](http://www.konecranes.co.za) or phone John MacDonald on 011 – 864 2800 or 076 403 3184.

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enhancing lifting solutions as well as servicing for cranes and hoists of all makes. The Group has 12,100 employees, at 626 locations in 54 countries, including ten branches in South Africa (Johannesburg, Port Elizabeth, Durban, Cape Town, Witbank, Klerksdorp and Ngodwana, Uitenhage, Maputo and Richards Bay). Konecranes is listed on NASDAQ OMX Helsinki (symbol: KCR1V).

