# **Press release**



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## MAXAM presents its most innovative solutions for blasting in mines, quarries and infrastructure projects at Mining Indaba

- Its stand includes an innovation corner presenting the technological developments that complement its portfolio to offer customised solutions to its customers.
- Schalk Burger, Head of Business Development in Africa, will speak about the company's capabilities in the continent and its design and blasting prediction software on 7 February at 16.40 (local time).

MAXAM, a global technological leader specialising in the design, development, manufacture and application of energetic materials, presents its innovations in blasting solutions at the Mining Indaba conference being held in Cape Town (South Africa) until February, 8th. The company's stand (#1102) includes an innovation corner in which it presents the latest technological developments it has introduced to simplify its customers' operations, increase productivity and create value.

These solutions include the X-COPTER, a drone designed especially for mining and quarrying, and winner of a recent award in Spain as the best idea for the use of drones in civil engineering projects. Equipped with cameras and gas sensors, the X-COPTER allows users to check the safety of the site before and after blasting and measure aspects such as the level of fragmentation of the terrain and the volume of material generated.

MAXAM also showcases RIOFLEX, a high energetic, robust and flexible density bulk product that achieves excellent performance in all types of rocks and multiple applications, minimizing the total cost of ownership due to the savings in the drilling and blasting application and the whole value chain of the mine as a result of a better fragmentation. RIOFLEX technology has been tested in more than 140 sites in 25 countries, becoming a benchmark for customers looking to improve the productivity of their mines, quarries and infrastructure projects.

"Our experience going back over 140 years and our capacity for innovation allow us to offer customised solutions to our customers, bearing in mind their specific needs and the characteristics of each location and type of operation. In this way we become an integrated partner who shares their objective to improve the safety and productivity of their operations. This approach has made us a leading supplier of blasting solutions in Africa, where we hope to strengthen our position", explains Manuel García-Sañudo, General Manager of Terra Solutions, MAXAM's blasting solutions business unit.



Lastly, Schalk Burger, MAXAM's Head of Business Development in Africa, will give a presentation in the cycle of talks running parallel to the exhibition. He will talk about the company's capabilities in the continent and its design and blasting prediction software RIOBLAST in a presentation on Wednesday 7 February at 16.40 (local time).

### **MAXAM in Africa**

MAXAM is a leading global technology company, specialising in the design, development, manufacture and application of energetic materials. Founded in 1872, the company offers blasting solutions for mining, quarrying, infrastructure projects and seismic surveys via its Terra Solutions business unit. Present in Africa for over 30 years, MAXAM has grown in the continent thanks to constant innovation in the products and services it offers, its industrial footprint in seven countries and a robust local supply chain. Its track-record and global leadership, combined with strong local capabilities, have allowed the company to position itself as a leader within its segment in Africa. Currently it is participating in over 25 projects throughout the continent.

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MAXAM is a global technology company, specializing in the design, development, manufacture and application of energy materials. It structures its activity into four business units: blasting solutions for mining, quarries and public works; cartridges and gun powders for use in hunting and recreational shooting; products and systems for the defence and security sector; and production of key primary products in nitrochemical activity.

Founded by Alfred Nobel in 1872, MAXAM currently has more than 6500 employees, more than 50 subsidiaries, 80 industrial units and commercial operations in over 100 countries. The company ended its fiscal year 2017 with turnover amounting to 1087 million euros.

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