**MAPEI PLATINUM SPONSOR OF 4TH ARABIAN TUNNELLING CONFERENCE**

**AND EXHIBITION**

**With a dedicated Business Division “Mapei Underground Technology Team” (UTT) – the company will showcase wide range of products for Tunnelling mining and underground construction**

Dubai, 12 February 2017 - Mapei, the worldwide leader in the manufacture of adhesives, chemical products, and sealant for the building industry, will be the Platinum Sponsor of the 4th Arabian Tunnelling Conference and Exhibition (ATC). ATC will take place in conjunction with the 20th Gulf Engineering Forum, from 21st to 22nd of February 2017, at the Ritz Carlton DIFC Hotel in Dubai. With a focus on advancing technologies related to Tunnelling and Underground Space industries, the event will serve as the GCC’s most important gathering of professionals and experts, both local and international.

Founded in Milan (Italy) in 1937 and with a regional headquarter in Dubai operating since 2007, Mapei has developed a high-level technical know-how in the field of underground works by operating on-site for underground construction and mining projects across the world. Constant investments and advancements in their R&D laboratories - 5% of the company’s annual turnover is channeling into R&D investments – lead MAPEI to constant improvement of existing products and developed the ‘Underground Technology Construction Products’ line.

The range of products meets the entire range of needs and requirements, from applicator to Client, including :

* Concrete Technologies,
* Products for Mechanized tunneling – TBM,
* Coating in underground activities,
* Waterproofing system,
* Rehabilitation, maintenance and repairs technologies,
* Injection systems, consolidation and anchoring

With a goal of satisfying the entire range of technical needs of their clients, Mapei created the Underground Technology Team (UTT) as a means of offering highly trained on-site technical support for all underground works, from the first to the last step.

“Thanks to Mapei UTT, we are in the tunnel with you, from the start to the end of the job” commented Stefano Iannacone, Managing Director of Mapei Construction Chemicals.

Examples of this product’s use in the region’s projects include the Doha Metro (44km of tunnel) and Abu Hamour (9.5km) in Qatar, the Riyadh Metro (33km) and the Al-Haer Waste Water Conveyor (12km) in Saudi Arabia, the Abu Dhabi Step (41km) and the Dubai Metro in the U.A.E, to name a few.

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**About Mapei**

Founded in 1937 in Milan, Mapei is today one of the top producers of adhesives and complementary products for laying all types of floor and wall and coating materials, and is also specialized in other chemical products used in the building industry, such as waterproofing products, special mortars, admixtures for concrete, products for underground constructions and for the restoration of concrete and historical buildings. Mapei currently has 81 subsidiaries and a total of 70 production facilities located across the world in 32 different countries on 5 different continents.

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