

Kobra Formen GmbH, 08485 Lengenfeld, Germany

3rd Technology Symposium with a successful mix of presentations and workshops

After two successful events in 2014 and 2017 and the cancellation in 2020 due to the coronavirus, the 3rd Kobra Technology Symposium took place on 27 and 28 September 2023. The venue was once again the company headquarters of Kobra Formen GmbH in Lengenfeld. As at the first two events, interest was again very high and over 180 participants from 25 countries accepted the invitation to Lengenfeld. Both days of the event consisted of a theoretical part with specialist lectures and a practical part with workshops in the production halls and offices of Kobra Formen GmbH.

The specialist lectures on the first day gave an overview of the design and features of the concrete block molds from Kobra, addressed the cooperation between mold and machine manufacturers in general, showed impressive architectural projects from France and presented the innovative services of the Kobra Care System. The workshops focussed on the compactibility of concrete, concrete hardening methods and 3D scanning for block development. In the show garden, participants were able to marvel at numerous exhibited concrete products produced by various European concrete plants.

To round off the first day of the event, a joint evening event in the extremely impressive premises of the time-honoured Waldenburg Castle was on the agenda.

On the second day, the Managing Director of Kobra Formen GmbH, Holger Stichel, presented the company's internal activities in the field of additive manufacturing (3D metal printing) and explained the resulting technical visions in mold production. The subsequent lecture focussed on architectural projects in the Netherlands. The third presentation of the day, entitled Block & Design, provided an overview of global product trends. The last lecture of the day, which presented the concrete plant of the future, also met with lively interest. The day's workshops dealt with Kobra topics such as changing wear on the mold bottom, the care system, mold check and the popular hotshoe and flexshoe features.

Hotshoe

Higher surface qualities of the concrete block can verifiably be achieved with the Hotshoe™ feature, which consists of heated tamper shoes and an integrated control device for temperature regulation.

Flexshoe

The Flexshoe feature is a useful compaction aid in particular for large products and special formats. The rubber-mounted tamper shoes provide for better compaction results and higher surface quality of the block.



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On the evening of the first day of the event, Kobra hosted an informal evening event at Waldenburg Castle.

Successful symposium

After the two days the participants all agreed that they had taken part in a successful trade event. The mix of theory and practice was already very well received at the first two events and this concept was also fully convincing at the third event. The 4th Kobra Technology Symposium is planned for 2026. ■



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