

## April showers bring May flowers

### Expansion of our European Network

In the past months, we wanted to work harder to achieve our goals set and to thrive in 2009.

For this year we planned to strengthen the overall consulting excellence by

1. hire and train additional implementation specialists
2. moderately extend the certified consulting network

We are pleased that we are heading the direction planned.

### Summary

1. DDC becomes Certified Consultant for Slovenia and Bosnia & Herzegovina
2. Bonaventura (A) orders a desktop license for their Concession
3. Viaconsult hires new Senior Consultant

**Alain Hueppi, Managing Director**



DDC Consulting & Engineering Ltd.

### 1. Certified Consultant for Slovenia and Bosnia & Herzegovina

**Julijana Jamnik, PMS Project Leader, DDC**

This contract is the result of the long-term relationship between DDC, Viagroup and PMS-Consult and the trust built in several research projects in the past.

DDC was entrusted to setup the Slovenian Motorway PMS for DARS. The realization of the idea started with a pilot project in 2002 in which dTIMS-CT was chosen for life-cycle-cost analyses.

DDC initiated the first phase of the implementation for Slovenian Motorways in 2004. And in spring 2006 the PMS-DARS was set into operation. Meanwhile it is an accepted and approved tool to manage Slovenia's Motorway network.

With the experience gained using dTIMS-CT DDC intentions are to use our Certified Consulting License to provide services for customers without own license.

Motorway System in the Republic of Slovenia



**Reminder: Early-bird registration for our 2<sup>nd</sup> European User Conference ends May 29<sup>th</sup> 2009, register on [www.viagroup.ch](http://www.viagroup.ch)**



## 2. Bonaventura (A) orders a desktop license for their concession

Dr. Alfred Weninger-Vycudil, Technical Director

Bonaventura Straßenerrichtungs-GmbH was explicitly founded to organize all aspects of the 'Project Y' (PPP Ostregion, Paket 1), including planning, financing, design and maintenance.

ASFiNAG, the Austrian Motorway company, who is the owner of VIAPMS AUSTRIA, asked in their tender documents for an asset controlling system based on dTIMS-CT.

Although 'Project Y' is still under construction, Bonaventura decided to start developing this asset controlling system in collaboration with Viagroup's Austrian partner, PMS-Consult.



With the experience we've made during the bidding phase of different PPP's around the world, we are very pleased to be involved in 'Project Y' in the operating phase.



## 3. New Senior Consultant

Dr. Margarita Rodriguez

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We are very pleased to announce that Margarita Rodriguez joined the Via-Team this March. Margarita was with the University of Lausanne (EPFL) for the past 6 years and received her PhD in civil engineering with Honours April 3rd 2009 from the University of Barcelona (UPC).

Her first month with us, Margarita spent in Vienna to be trained in using dTIMS-CT as consultant. Besides, she will work on different local projects in collaboration with our laboratory (ViaTec Ltd.) preferably for our Swiss based clients.

With her connections to different Universities, Margarita will also take care of our existing and future research activities in collaboration with different partners.

Although born in the French speaking part of Switzerland, Margarita is Spanish. Adding to her mother languages (French and Spanish), she speaks fluent English, German as well as some Italian.

By hiring Margarita as Senior Consultant, we now have even more skilled consultants that can support our growing European network.

Of course we are very pleased with the addition of Margarita to our team and wish her a successful career within our network.

Do you have any questions or need further information regarding the different topics or our products, please do not hesitate to contact us and we'll be pleased to assist you:

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