

GeoBeads[®] sensor systems for geotechnical monitoring & Early Warning Systems

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Alert Solutions - Company Focus

- Deliver a <u>technology platform</u> that creates sensor networks for realtime monitoring
- Ability to turn <u>any object</u> into an intelligent connected device, no matter where in the world
- Serve geo-technology and civil engineering disciplines
- Specific focus on flood control, slope stability and construction works

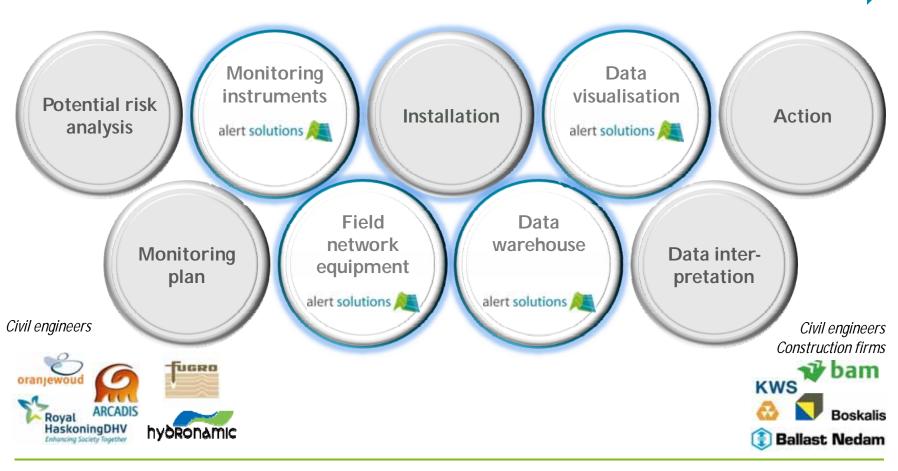






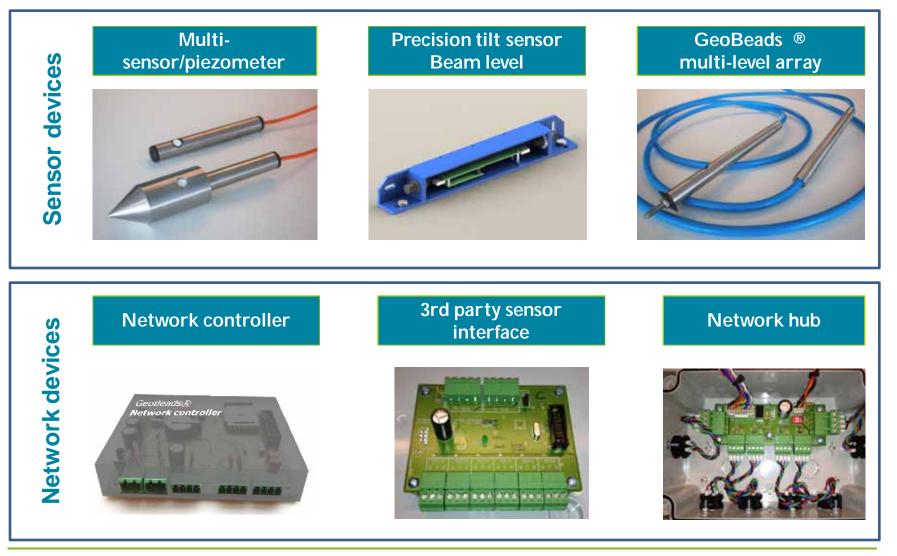
Alert Solutions at the core of smart monitoring

Monitoring business process





Product examples (hardware)





Third party product integration





Software suite (online data access)





Completed 60+ projects in three markets

Flood control

Levees, dikes, dams, embankments



- 25 sites instrumented
- 4 countries
- Customers include:
 - 8x NL water boards
 - NL Ministry of Infrastructure
 - Several leading civil engineering firms and research institutes

Slope stability

 Mountain slopes, river valleys, coastal cliffs



- □ 3 sites in France
- Slope stability is a major worldwide issue
- Proposals for China and Thailand running

Construction works

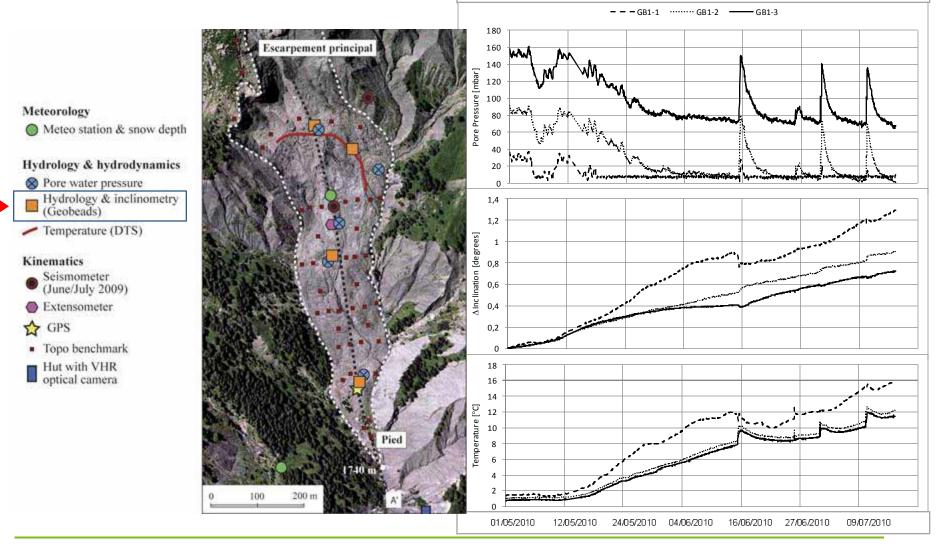
 Building pits, tunnels, railway and highway embankments



- □ >30 projects served
- Risk reduction in complex construction
- Customers include:
 - City of Amsterdam
 - City of Rotterdam
 - NL water boards
 - Major NL construction companies



Sensor data from Super Sauze landslide





GeoBeads Multi-Parameter Data - Super Sauze - Top of Landslide Site - May through July 2010

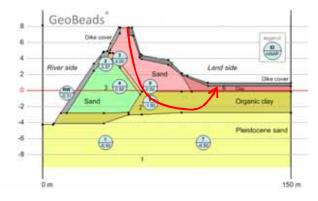
GeoBeads[®] for flood control

(Province of Utrecht, The Netherlands)

Client:Dutch ministry of Transportation, Water AuthorityObject:Levee along a major freight shipping waterwayProject period:September 2012 and running

"With the GeoBeads[®] system users gain instant and continuous insight in the levee stability. This is vital input for early warning. It also supplies engineers with the information to optimize the strengthening regime, with large potential savings." Mr. G. Loots, TNO

Design of smart sensor network

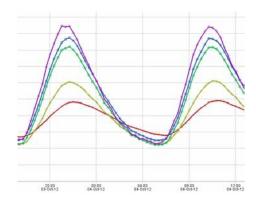


Installation of GeoBeads®



- This levee is at risk of macro instability (low shear strength of levee under heightened loading conditions) and has shown substantial water seepage
- GeoBeads[®] sensors are installed in all relevant ground layers for continuous monitoring of pore water pressure, temperature and tilt

Online data availability



 Client is offered live and continuous insight into the measurements and the results of stability calculations



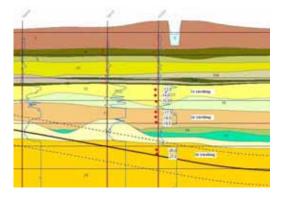
GeoBeads[®] for construction control

(City of Amsterdam, The Netherlands)

Client:Civil Service North-South metro line AmsterdamObject:Direct vicinity of major tunnel boring worksProject period:June 2011 – March 2012

" The GeoBeads[®] system gave us real-time insight into the groundwater pressure effects caused by the tunnel boring process. It gave us the opportunity to validate our construction design and control the risk of instabilities in the direct vicinity" Mr. R. de Nijs, Witteveen+Bos

Design of smart system

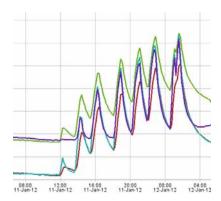


 The foundations of buildings and bridges rest on the top two sand layers. Nearby construction activity (tunnel boring) can potentially cause instability

Installation of GeoBeads



Alert Solutions installed GeoBeads[®] for monitoring of pore water pressure in the sand layers near the tunnel boring machine trajectory



Online data availability

 Client gained real-time data access and was able to control construction activities in relation to ground water pressure build-up



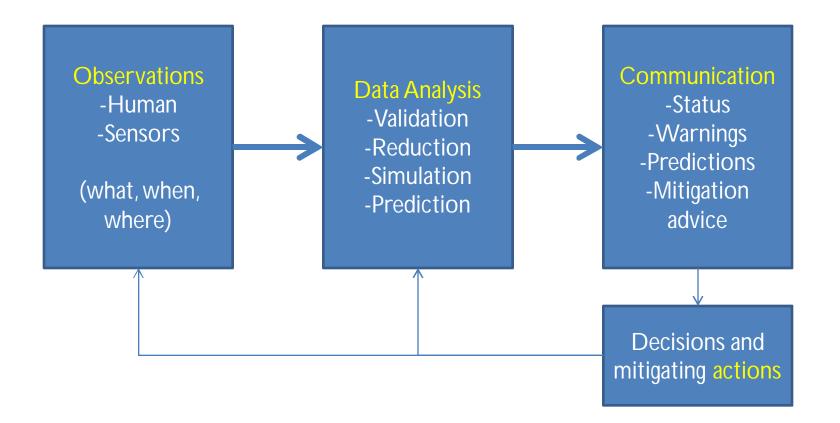
Early warning systems in practice

What should an early warning system do?
Inform people
About upcoming hazards
In time
To prevent or reduce damage



Early warning systems in practice

Key ingredients of an early warning system





Early Warning Systems - Communication

- Intuitive for anyone
 - Decision makers, stakeholders, general public
 - Zero learning time in crisis situation
- Reduce information to what is necessary, but still complete
- Information may include
 - What's happening, where and when
 - Ongoing development of the situation (trends)
 - Expected / predicted turn of events
 - Time left before disaster event
 - Potential impact (damages)
 - Suggested mitigating actions and their expected results
 - □ Time involved to take action
 - Actual result of taken actions



HAVE EARLY WARNING SYSTEMS ENJOYED WIDESPREAD ADOPTION?



Examples of recent EWS developments

- IBM (USA)
 - Global center of excellence for water management based in Amsterdam The Netherlands
- Siemens (Germany)
 - Flood prevention and water quantity management center based in The Hague, The Netherlands
- AGT International (Switzerland)
 - Center of Excellence for Water based in The Hague, The Netherlands



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