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# Success Story

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Hans-Dieter Werner  
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**HEIDELBERGCEMENT**



## HeidelbergCement AG, Heidelberg

### Processes simplified with innovative solution

With a consolidated turnover of EUR 6.7 billion and about 35,000 employees, HeidelbergCement is one of the world's leading producers of cement (about 45 million tons annually), concrete, and building materials.

While cement and concrete account for about 80% of its sales, Heidelberg Cement also manufactures building materials such as dry mortar, brick, and chemicals. In addition, the company produces and sells electricity to medium-sized companies and communities, provides environmental services such as landfill construction, and trades internationally in cement and clinker (an intermediate product used to make portland cement). Heidelberg Cement has operations in 50 countries in Africa, Asia, Europe, and North America.

Since 1994 HeidelbergCement has SAP R/3 HR and Kaba Benzing time recording and access control.

At that time HeidelbergCement wanted to simplify their processes and was looking for an innovative solution. They found this solution at Kaba Benzing. Today the time spent for accounting is substantially smaller.

There is a noticeable personnel relief and the time data is always up-to-date and available. «When our employees clock-in they immediately see their balance», says Hans-Dieter Werner from the IT department and in charge of SAP Central Europe West.

The system has also stood the test of time in access control. In case of accidents for instance, one can see immediately which employee is in what area and can initiate the appropriate rescue actions.

«The teamwork during the project was very good. A big compliment to Kaba Benzing's competent sales team. Everything went without any complications», describes Hans-Dieter Werner the project work.

The first plants had inductive readers. Little by little all plants were re-equipped with Legic readers. So far 60% of all terminals have Legic readers.

«The system runs as if it wasn't even there!», summarizes Hans-Dieter Werner.