



**MASTER<sup>®</sup>**  
**>>BUILDERS**  
SOLUTIONS

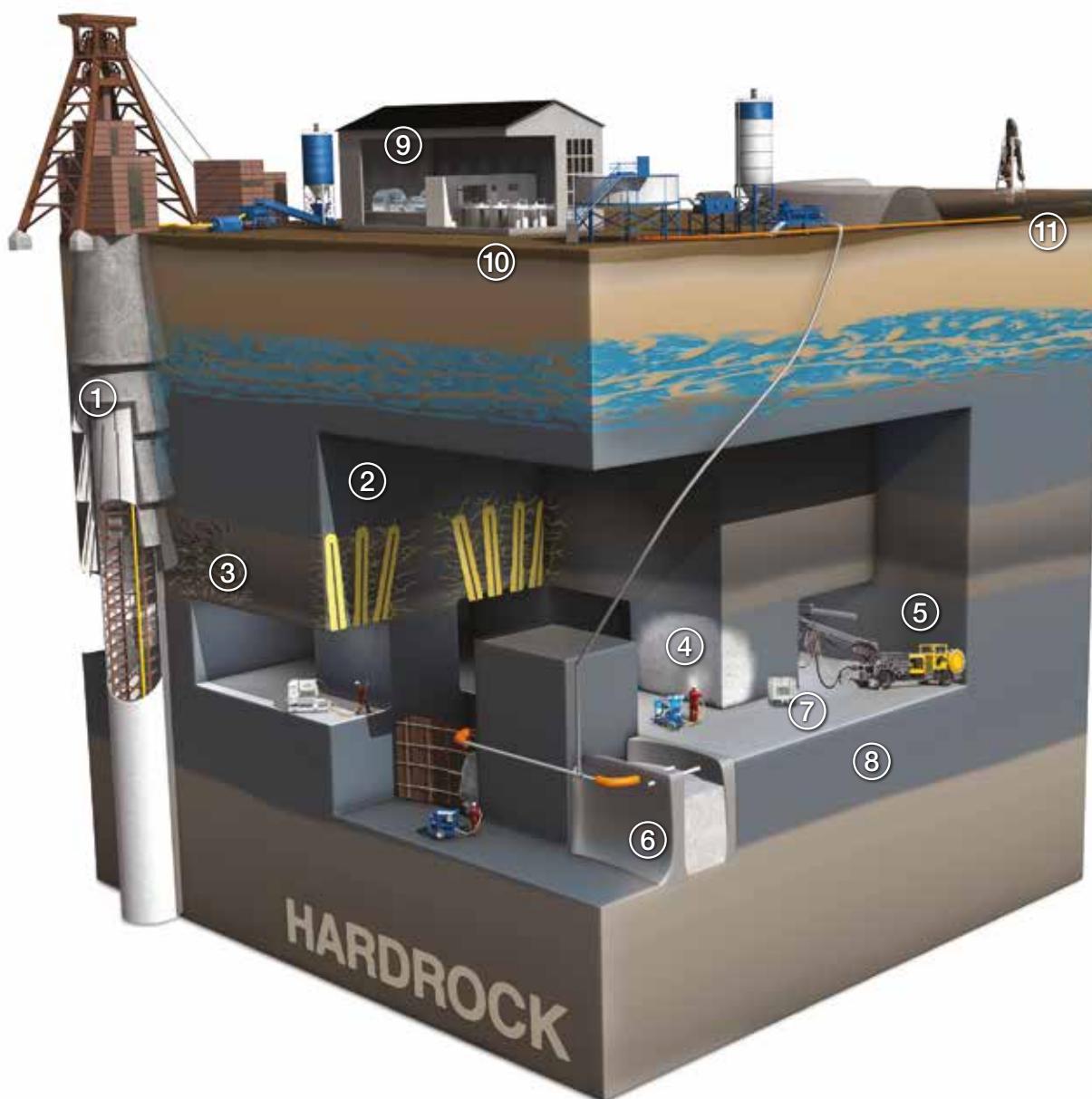
**BASF**  
We create chemistry



**Solutions for the  
Mining Industry**



## Our Comprehensive Portfolio for the Mining Industry



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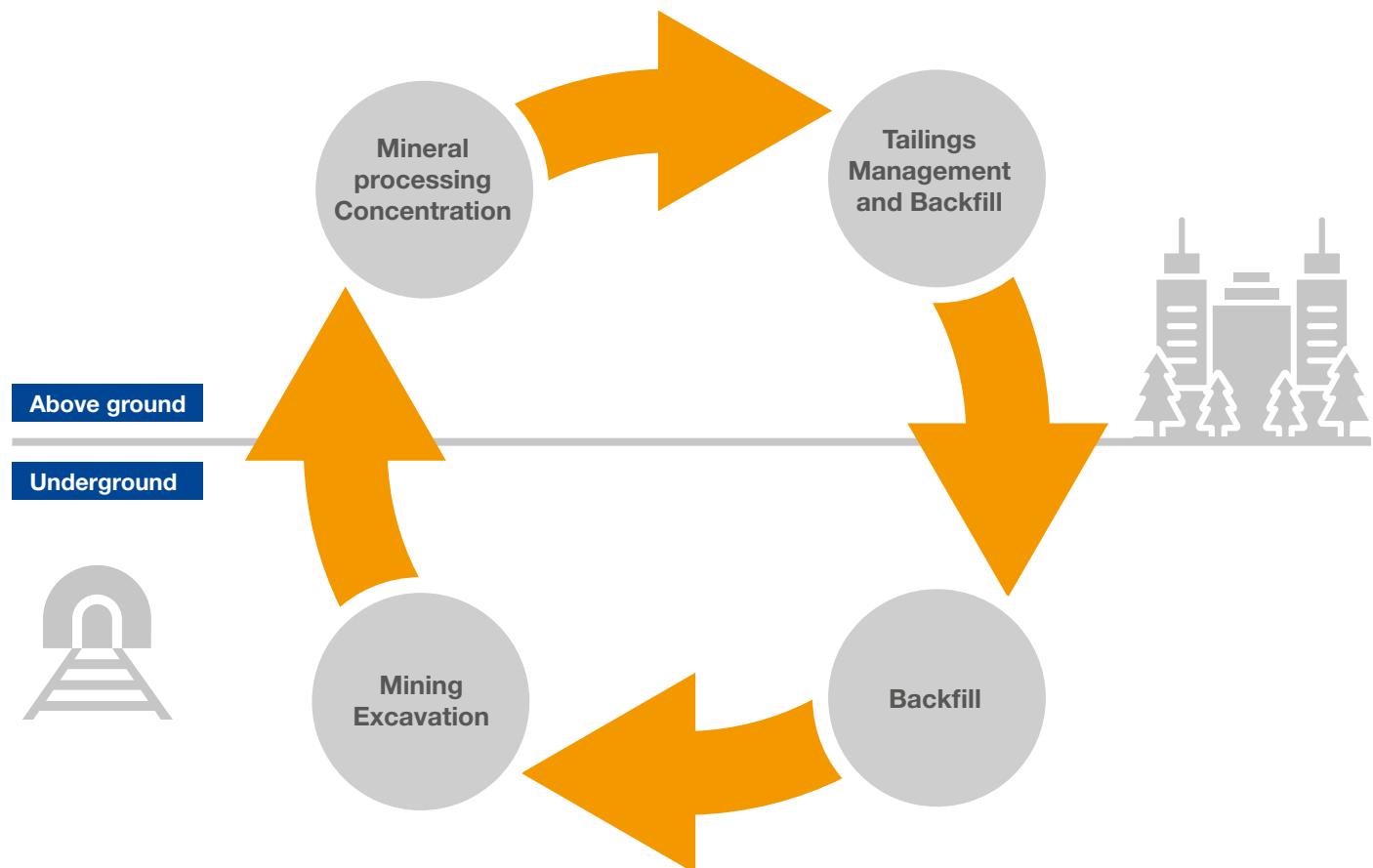


## Your Partner for Safer Mining

Mining is all about partnership – and in the Master Builders Solutions experts, you will find the right partner: A partner not just offering tailor-made solutions from its comprehensive portfolio for each step in the mining, but also supporting

you with on-site problem solving, start-up supervision, and lab testing. Through advanced chemistry for hard rock, coal or open pit mining, we help you increase the efficiency of operations while improving safety at the same time.

### Total Mining cycle – sustainable approach





# Sprayed Support

## Sprayed Concrete

The Master Builders Solutions brand offers a comprehensive range of products that achieve early and long-term strength in ground support. These products can be tailored to suit specific site requirements, offer compatibility to local

cements and excellent long-term durability. Moreover, our innovations in alkali-free accelerators are a safe and essential part of modern sprayed concrete.



**load bearing capacity, mineral composite,  
brittleness, applied thickness**

**ductility, organic composite,  
sealant properties**

**Sprayed Concrete**



**TML**



**TSL**

5 – 15 cm as temporary lining  
with bearing load capacity and  
structural support if needed  
with structural fibre reinforced

15 – 30 mm thin mortar lining  
with bearing load capacity and  
bending flexibility for initial and  
quick rock support in strong  
fissured soft and hard rock

3 – 10 mm thick flexible  
and elastic rock coatings  
for anti-weathering or vent  
stopping in soft rock and  
swelling clays, in combination  
with mesh and bolts

## Sprayed Liners

High-quality, durable sprayed concrete (shotcrete) has become a vital component of ground support and stabilization in both tunneling and mining. Sprayed concrete support creates state-of-the-art linings. Constantly striving

to exceed customer needs and demands, our admixture technologies enhance the workability, hydration control and viscosity of fresh concrete.

## Admixtures for Sprayed Concrete

We provide a wide range of superplasticizers for all needs. Especially the MasterEase range provides superior rheological properties (good pumpability, low viscosity), while

the **MasterSuna SBS** range is specifically designed to utilize manufactured sands with high fines and / or clay minerals.



Our hydration control system **MasterRoc HCA** is capable of maintaining an open time of up to 72 hours, allowing for total flexibility of site logistics. The viscosity modifying admixtures (VMA) of the **MasterMatrix** range allow the modification of the rheological properties to prevent segregation. **MasterRoc MS** microsilica improve the pumpability and workability performance of sprayed concrete mixes in the fresh state

while reducing permeability and increasing density and long-term strength performance in the hardened state. **MasterRoc TCC** is a concrete improving admixture which enhances the quality in the hardened states by reducing shrinkage and improving the bonding.



# Sprayed Support

## Set accelerators

MasterRoc SA alkali-free accelerators are added at the nozzle and accelerate the setting and hardening of the sprayed concrete. They provide high early strength gain and long-term strength development, as well as enhanced durability.

Furthermore, they reduce dust and rebound levels. The accelerators are also suited for applications where extremely thick layers of sprayed concrete are required.

Admixture type	BASF Product line	Application Example	Flow-ability	Open time	Segre-gation prev.	Low Viscosity	Manufactured Sands / Clay	Strength / Dura-bility
	Master Glenium	Standard Superplasticiser	+					+
	Master Ease	Solution for low viscosity / easy pumpability	+	+		+		+
	Master Suna	Special solution for man. Sands and clay content	+				+	+
Hydration Control	Master Roc HCA	site locations with difficult availability or logistics		+				
VMA	Master Matrix	Overcome lack of fines within sieve grade			+			
Speciality	Master Roc MS	Microsilica as powder or slurry			+			+
Curing	Master Roc TCC	e.g. permanent sprayed concrete linings						+
Alkali Free Accelerator	Master Roc SA	Accelerator for sprayed Concrete for fast buildup and early re entry						+

## Fiber reinforced sprayed concrete (FRSC)

Fiber reinforced sprayed concrete is a widely used rock support measure which replaces the conventional mesh reinforcement and can be applied safely, fast and highly mechanized. The structural synthetic macrofibers from the MasterFiber product range form an internal network and add superior tensile properties to the sprayed concrete system. MasterFiber structural reinforcing fibers greatly improve the load bearing capability and cracking resistance of sprayed concrete. In comparison to steel fibers, the synthetic fibers are not prone to corrosion and show a better CO<sub>2</sub> footprint. The use of synthetic fibers guarantees a very ductile behavior of the concrete structure, which ensures very big deformation before failure.



In hard and soft rock mining, changes in humidity and temperature affect weak strata, causing rock falls and rib degradation. Effective surface support and the protection against weathering of rock and strata are critical to the safety,

efficiency and longevity of any mining operation. Master Builders Solutions provides systems for supplementary surface support to strategic areas of a mine, thus increasing safety for people and infrastructure.

## Thin Mortar and Spray-On Liner

**MasterRoc TML (thin mortar liner)** is a range of cement-based mortar designed to support the strata in mines. Formulations have been adapted to the needs of the industry, be it dry or wet spray application, fast or normal setting times. They have an excellent bond to concrete, rock and coal and can be sprayed using simple to operate equipment.

**MasterRoc TSL (thin spray-on liner)** range can be used when higher elasticity and elongation are required. These products are based on polymers which allow them to be used in thin layers supporting the strata. Due to the special polymers, they act as a seal for gasses and as weathering protection. By using simple dry spraying equipment, high application rates can be achieved. As they are sprayed in thin layers, logistics in the mines is much easier since less materials must be handled.

Fields of application	SC	FRSC	TML	TSL
Substrate sealing, Weathering protection	++	++	++	++
Rock support, structural	++	+	--	-
Rock support, local surface failure (prevention of rock falls)	++	++	+	+
Mesh replacement	+-	++	+	+
Post Failure behavior/ warning	+-	++	+	
Easy availability (equipment)	+	+-	++	++
Easy Logistics			++	++
Typical Application Thickness [mm]	30 – 150	30 – 150	10 – 50	2 – 10
Elasticity/ Ductility				
Stiffness/ Load Bearing				



## Injection

### Water ingress prevention with pre-injection

Unexpected water ingress and poor ground conditions can cause significant delays and escalate costs. To counteract these risks, an economical approach is to pre-inject the ground ahead of the advancing face using microcements. MasterRoc MP microcements provide extremely effective penetration into fine cracks in rock and fine-grained soils to give efficient water tightness, stability and durability.

MasterRoc MP 650/800/900 - extremely effective penetration into fine cracks in rock and fine-grained soils

### Water stopping

Foaming, water-sensitive polyurethanes combat water ingress quickly and effectively. Many of the products for preventing water ingress can be adjusted on site to suit local conditions.

- MasterRoc MP 355 1K:  
to stop low to mid-volume water ingress
- MasterRoc MP 355:  
to stop mid to high-volume water ingress

### Ground consolidation & void filling

The fast reacting and non-water-sensitive polyurethanes and polyurea silicate systems quickly stabilize poor ground and are suitable for strata consolidation and rock reinforcement. Specially developed foams are used for cavity filling and sealing bulk heads.

- MasterRoc MP 358 GS / MP 358 SC:  
polyurethane resin for consolidation of fractured ground
- MasterRoc MP 368:  
compact polyurea silicate injection resin, specifically designed for rapid ground consolidation
- MasterRoc MP 367 Foam:  
low density polyurea silicate foam for cavity filling in rock, gravel and coal





## Rock Bolting

Increased excavation depths lead to higher geotechnical challenges, such as higher rock stresses affecting the stability of the strata. Working at ever greater depths with potentially unstable strata, increases the need for enhanced personnel safety within the mine environment. BASF offers products

that facilitate safe ground stabilization while improving mine productivity. Developed for placement of cable and rock bolts in underground mines, our innovative solutions improve cycle times for both cable and rock bolt installation, while increasing worker safety and strata control.

- MasterRoc RBA 380: compact thixotropic polyurea silicate injection resin, specifically designed for rock and cable bolt installations
- MasterRoc RBA 387: fast reacting compact thixotropic polyurea silicate injection resin suited for self-drilling anchors and automated installation

BASF offers a wide range of rock bolting solutions. Besides reactive resins from the MasterRoc RBA 38X range, the portfolio includes ready-to-use cementitious products and admixtures for OPC based grouts to adjust the behavior in terms of shrinkage compensation, corrosion protection, pumping capacity, and bond improvement.

Rock bolting animation:  
resin fully encapsulating the bolt





## Backfill

Backfill, the process of back filling material into the underground voids created by mining, is becoming increasingly important because of current trends in mining: deeper excavation, optimizing ore and water recovery, improving the mine cycle and production while reducing environmental impact and overall costs.

Backfill operations represent 25 to 30 per cent of the overall mining costs. Thus, optimization of the backfill process leads to significant total mining cost reductions as well as improved mining production.

Backfill material types and processes are various but generally require a blend of binders, process water and aggregates to provide the required amount of restraint to enable massive strategic support for the ore extraction sequence.

BASF takes a scientific approach to this challenge that can help mining companies understand and run backfill operations at lower risks and lower costs. With over 30 years of experience in backfill, BASF has been a pioneer in creating an admixture market for Backfill in the mining industry.

BASF's extensive range of mine backfilling solutions have been developed to provide the optimum balance of high early strength and sustainable long term strength, ensuring dimensional stability after placement by meeting (or exceeding) design fill performance requirements.

Depending on the site specific requirements, BASF offers an extensive range of customized solutions: admixtures for rheology control, modified viscosity, and hydration control as well as water reducers, superplasticizers and durability enhancers.



Fill without admixture



Fill with admixture

### Cost Optimization:

- Binder and water savings
- Production increase
- Lower maintenance costs

### Increased Safety:

- Minimizing blockage risk
- Dimensional stability after placement
- Reduced risk of fill failure or liquefaction

### Sustainability:

- Reduction of cement content in mix
- Increase in tailing underground and decrease in surface disposal of tailings
- Decrease in fresh water consumption





# Infrastructure above ground

## Admixtures for ready-mix and precast concrete

Master Builders Solutions admixtures aid in the production of high-strength, durable concrete – a prerequisite for complex structures. They render unnecessary the mechanical compacting by vibration allowing the concrete to flow, thus increasing performance and making it easier to use. They aid in the curing process of the concrete, preventing the



concrete's components from segregating. After curing they leave the concrete with a smooth and clean surface – and ensure an extremely long service life for the structure. The increased energy efficiency, higher concrete durability and better construction process contributes to reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and save time and costs.

- MasterGlenium superplasticizer to provide high water reduction and slump retention, accelerated strength development and extended workability without delayed setting characteristics.
- MasterMatrix advanced rheology control solutions for selfcompacting concrete.
- MasterPozzolith to plasticize, accelerate or retard concrete, improving its performance and making it more uniform and predictable in behavior.
- MasterPolyheed water reducing admixture to ensure superior workability and finishing. It improves concrete performance with a wide range of cements, fly ashes, granulated slags, and aggregates, including coarse and manufactured sands.
- MasterRheobuild to impart rheoplastic qualities to concrete and to improve the pumpability of fresh concrete.
- Master X-Seed hardening accelerator to provide excellent high early strength development at low ambient and heat curing temperatures.

## Performance flooring solutions

The MasterTop cementitious flooring system is applied together with the concrete installation to ensure long lasting durability where floors are subject to high traffic loads

or an abrasive environment, such as processing plants and workshops.

## Concrete protection

MasterProtect systems include a range of high-performance water repellents, elastomeric and high build anti-carbonation and chemical resistant coatings that counter challenging weather conditions, environmental contaminants and corrosive elements. The portfolio also includes a special

range of corrosion inhibitors such as galvanic anodes and surface applied corrosion inhibitors that are formulated to permeate the concrete and control corrosion directly at the steel reinforcement.



## Anti-dust and abrasion solutions for cutting tools

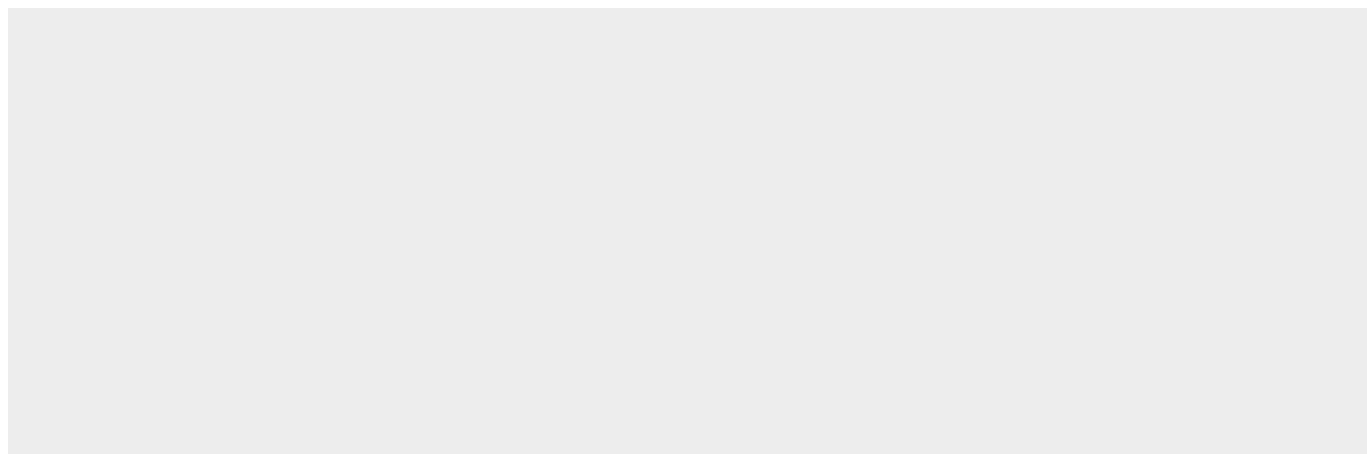
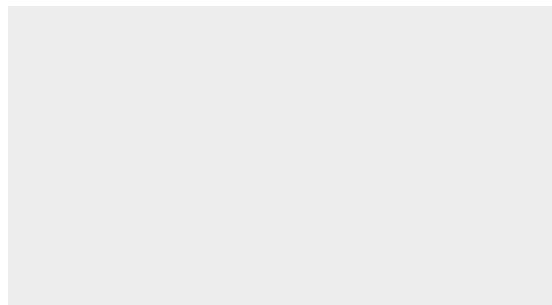
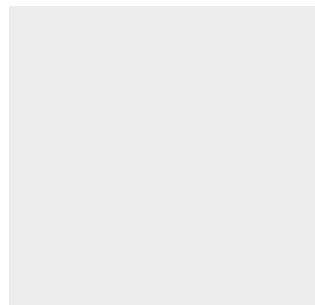
Applying tunnel boring machine (TBM) technology in mining replaces conventional drilling and blasting methods for main development and access drives.

As global leader in custom-designed solutions for tunneling we deliver a comprehensive range of reliable and technically sophisticated TBM products and services for soft ground shielded machines and open hard rock methods, such as abrasion resistance solutions, bearing greases and lubricants, and anti-wear and dust suppression technologies.

Our total solution approach identifies the most cost-effective products and systems to improve TBM operational efficiency by reducing down time, increasing TBM utilization, accelerating excavation rates and improving working conditions.

### Benefits at a glance:

- Suppression of dust
- Improved working conditions
- Reduction of clogging of cutter discs
- Reduced downtime





# Concrete needs maintaining – strengthening, repair, and protection systems

As a full-range supplier of repair and protection products, we offer customized solutions for your concrete structures. We do not, however, only look at the visible damage, but also provide support for the evaluation of the causes of your structural

damage. As a result, we are able to offer you an integrated solution, providing a specifically designed product combination based on the needs of your individual structure.

## Portfolio

Our portfolio includes crack injection, chemical anchoring, reinforcement corrosion protection, structural repair mortars, trafficable repair mortars and repair mortars for cosmetic repair and reprofiling, as well as concrete protection to achieve the refurbishment. All products are certified by independent testing institutes in compliance with national

and/or international standard requirements. Our production sites are externally controlled in compliance with DIN ISO 9001. With our system solutions, we help you to extend the service life of your construction and, lastly, make a significant contribution to sustainability.

MasterBrace composite strengthening system restores damaged concrete to its original load bearing capacity, and can increase its strength and structural performance.

Master Emaco's primers, repair mortars and fairing coats regain the structure's original strength and durability and protect against corrosion.

MasterFlow's range of cementitious, polymer and epoxy based grouts offer precision, dimensional stability, durability and toughness for applications like structural stabilization, load transfer, equipment and rails.

## Fire protective coating for electrical cables and penetration seals

MasterFlame is a water based ablative coating especially developed for the fire protection of grouped or bundled electrical cables. It prevents flame propagation along vertical and horizontal cable ways. The coating also delays short circuit whereby circuit integrity depends on the distance of the cables from fire and the incurred temperature. Prevention of poisonous and corrosive gases and smoke. By preventing

the fire from spreading and eventually involving all cables, MasterFlame also prevents the development of the dreaded HCl (hydrochloric acid) from PVC cables as well as the dense black smoke and poisonous gases developing from all types of cables. MasterFlame is easily applied by conventional methods such as spray and brush, as well as by hand.

## KBS Sealbags and the Telfer Mine

KBS Sealbags used as permanent penetration seal at Telfer Gold Mine, Western Australia. The requirement for frequent

retro-fitting of cables requested a flexible solution ensuring adequate fire protection at all times.



# Global Network of Underground Specialists

BASF, with its global underground construction team, is a world leader in the provision of reliable, customer-oriented solutions focused on your needs in the tunneling and mining industries. We recognize that your success is underpinned by our ability to deliver solutions that meet or exceed your critical needs.

By accompanying you from the start of your project and understanding the issues that are important to you, we can contribute to your success. We support you with product training and quality control, and our professional technical services team is on hand around the clock, helping you with technical advice and trouble shooting.



## Hands-on exercises and training



BASF provides technical injection training courses on a frequent basis centrally located in the Hagerbach underground facility in Switzerland. The courses are organized both as demonstration workshops in realistic underground settings and as practical injection operators training. The demonstration workshops are “show-and-tell” sessions that aim to visualize and explain the possible types of application and the technical performance of our injection systems. The practical injection operators

training is offered exclusively to injection customers who are working with BASF injection systems. During this training the participants are given the chance to work in small groups, taking part in hands-on exercises under the supervision of experienced instructors. The main objective is to gain practical skills for the correct application and execution of injection work. In addition, customized training is available for individual projects worldwide when required by customers.



# Master Builders Solutions from BASF

The Master Builders Solutions brand brings all of BASF's expertise together to create chemical solutions for new construction, maintenance, repair and renovation of structures. Master Builders Solutions is built on the experience gained from more than a century in the construction industry.

The know-how and experience of a global community of BASF construction experts form the core of Master Builders Solutions. We combine the right elements from our portfolio to solve your specific construction challenges. We collaborate across areas of expertise and regions and draw on the experience gained from countless construction projects world-wide. We leverage global BASF technologies, as well as our in-depth knowledge of local building needs, to develop innovations that help make you more successful and drive sustainable construction.

## Our comprehensive portfolio

- 
- Concrete admixtures
  - Cement additives
  - Chemical solutions for underground construction
  - Waterproofing solutions
  - Sealants
  - Concrete repair and protection solutions
  - Performance grouts
  - Performance flooring solutions





# Master Builders Solutions from BASF for the Construction Industry

## MasterAir

Complete solutions for air entrained concrete

## MasterBrace

Solutions for concrete strengthening

## MasterCast

Solutions for the manufactured concrete product industry

## MasterCem

Solutions for cement manufacture

## MasterEase

Low viscosity for high performance concrete

## MasterEmaco

Solutions for concrete repair

## MasterFinish

Solutions for formwork treatment and surface improvement

## MasterFlow

Solutions for precision grouting

## MasterFiber

Comprehensive solutions for fiber reinforced concrete

## MasterGlenium

Solutions for high performance concrete

## MasterInject

Solutions for concrete injection

## MasterKure

Solutions for concrete curing

## MasterLife

Solutions for enhanced durability

## MasterMatrix

Advanced rheology control for concrete

## MasterPel

Solutions for water tight concrete

## MasterPolyheed

Solutions for mid-range concrete

## MasterPozzolith

Solutions for water-reduced concrete

## MasterProtect

Solutions for concrete protection

## MasterRheobuild

Solutions for high strength concrete

## MasterRoc

Solutions for underground construction

## MasterSeal

Solutions for waterproofing and sealing

## MasterSet

Solutions for set control

## MasterSuna

Solutions for sand and gravel in concrete

## MasterSure

Solutions for extraordinary workability retention

## MasterTop

Solutions for industrial and commercial floors

## Master X-Seed

Advanced accelerator solutions for concrete

## Ucrete

Flooring solutions for harsh environments



## QUANTIFIED SUSTAINABLE BENEFITS ADVANCED CHEMISTRY BY MASTER BUILDERS SOLUTIONS

**Let the numbers do the talking:** We have portrayed some of our most eco-efficient product solutions for concrete and precast production, construction, civil engineering, and flooring.

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