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PRESS RELEASE

ALPINE: 400,000 visitors storm the Austrian pavilion at the Shanghai EXPO each day

ALPINE's prestigious project wins international acclaim

Shanghai/Salzburg: "We are very proud to have implemented this prestigious project for Austria. The rush of visitors to the futuristic Austrian pavilion shows how much international interest the building was able to arouse. ALPINE not only demonstrated its competence and competitiveness with this project but also its commitment in China, where we have worked successfully for many years," says Dietmar Aluta-Oltyan, president of the supervisory board and co-owner of ALPINE Bau GmbH. In addition, it also underlines the construction company's high level of creativity, the implementation of the futuristic project having been a great challenge to the construction engineers.

Austrian pavilion

ALPINE Bau GmbH landed the contract to build the Austrian pavilion in 2009 and started construction in July 2009. The project was completed on schedule in March 2010. A shop, restaurant a spacious outdoor dining area were built on an area of approx. 2,112 m². The contract was placed by the Austrian World Expo Office. The contract value for the two-story pavilion amounted to nearly EUR 5.5 million. The pavilion's exceptionally attractive design was planned by the Vienna-based architecture firm, SPAN-Zeytinoglu Architects and Shanghai XianDai Architectural Design (Group) Co. Ltd.

The Austrian pavilion is located in Zone C, in road block C07 in the North Ring Road. ALPINE was in charge of the entire construction, interior design and installation of the multimedia system. The building will be removed again after the EXPO.

ALPINE in China

ALPINE has executed a number of successful projects in China over the years. ALPINE currently employs a staff of 500 from 7 nations. Its most successful projects include the Ningbo Expressway, the Yellow River Diversion Project Tunnel 1 North Main Line, the BASF-YPC/IPS Engineering/Maintenance Center, the Haefele Hardware Factory and ABB Turb DSystems Factory as well as the Degussa Technical Center and enlargement of the German School.

2010 EXPO Shanghai

The Shanghai World Exposition takes place from May 1 to October 31, 2010. The EXPO theme is: "Better City, Better Life." It is the biggest exhibition ever held. A total of 70 million visitors and over 200 participating nations are expected. Since its foundation in 1851, the EXPO 2010 is the 93rd world exhibition in history.

*The **ALPINE** Group, a member of the FCC Group, is a global player. With a construction output of EUR 3.4 billion in 2009 and a staff of roughly 15.234, ALPINE is the second biggest construction group in Austria .For more information visit <http://www.alpine.at>*



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