





Technology Transfer Group: Infrastructure

Quick assembly systems applied in FRP Infrastructural applications









Corporate Presentation

- Typical Infrastructural applications
- Portfolio of connections
- Japanese joinery techniques
- Examples of connections













Company



PMC: Product Market Combinations **FiberCore IP:** worldwide patents on brand, technology & production.

Engineering & Industrial Production (6000 m²): Rotterdam/NL









- •FRP-experts in building & infra (pioneer 1996)
- product- & process development
- •R&D, engineering & production
- 800 heavy duty structures installed

1997: First **FRP bridge in The Netherlands**

FiberCore europe

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Bridge in docking pier Concept, design, engineering: FiberCore Europe dimensions : 15 x 2.5m location : Harlingen : 1997 year Principal

: Bouwdienst RWS







> 800 structures with InfraCore mside



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ProRail Q. heymans InfraTech HILLEBRAND Half-time award Movares 2013 Traffic bridge Utrecht, crossing highway A27 adviseurs & ingenieurs dimensions : 142 x 6,2m : 6,2 m span

: class 600 kN, Eurocode

: 2011-2012

traffic class

year











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'Harbour bridges'











Portfolio of connections

Portfolio of > 14 connections						
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_		Simply supported	<u>Pinned</u>	Clamped		
	Shop	Α	В	С		
Permanent joint	Field	D	E	F		
	Shop	G	Н	I		
Dismountable	Field	J	К	L		

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	1.	Roller Support	- A	Vertical	Vertical loads
	2.	Pinned Support	-Arr	Horizontal and vertical	Vertical and horizontal loads
CompositesNL E-LÁSS	3.	Fixed Support	1	Horizontal, vertical and moments	All types of loads Horizontal, vertical and Moments
FiberCore europe	4.	Simple Support		Vertical	Vertical loads

Secret Double Lapped Dovetail Joint Technique









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Secret Double Lapped Dovetail **Joint Technique**









Norms, Regulations, Rules

Cur96: 2015 Guideline, Chapter 8 "Joints

- 8.1 General
- 8.2 Bonded joints
- 8.3 Mechanical joints
- 8.4 Combinations of bolted and bonded joints

Cur96: 2017 Release in Feb 2018

To be implemented in Eurocode By EN-commission









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Japanese joinery techniques (> 80)



Dismountable Inter-locking Robust Durable Proven

No screws/rivets/glue



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europe https://www.archdaily.com/796918/these-mesmerizing-gifs-illustrate-the-art-of-traditional-japanese-wood-joinery







Well-proven(redundant) connections

Laminated, Bonded, Shape-locked

only, or combined with bolted or pinned joints

Company approach:

- " the safest connections contain 3 (redundant) features:
- Shape-locked
- Chemically connected
- Passively connected
- Line support preferred (i.r.t. creep)















Permanent shop clamped connection

Adhesively bonded, pinned and shape-locked

Actively hinged supports, no contra-weight











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Permanent field laminated connections

Three basic principle solutions, in order of preference:

1. Resin injection of dry fibres

Otherwise \rightarrow adhesively bond

- **2.** Resin injection between two laminates
- **3.** Adhesive bonding of two laminates
- Apply shear locks for proper load transfer
- **Always VARTM: hand lamination never been applied**

Basic approach:

If field surface preparation is doable \rightarrow resin injection

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Bonding also puts more pressure on project planning





InfraCore inside

Permanent field laminated connections



Shear locking

Resin injection between laminates

Adhesive bonding of laminates



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Dismountable field single supported conn.



No attachments. optional



Without fundation support



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With pillar support









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Dismountable field single supported conn.













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Dismountable field pinned connection

Vertical locking flange Gap filling with grouting







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Dismountable field clamped connection

Pinned to horizontal support flange anchored in wall













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Dismountable field pinned connection







Permanent field clamped connection









Approval test: fatigue after impact

InfraCore FRP panel adhesively bonded in steel gutter

2015: Real scale test at WMC & TNO

Eurocode InfraCore traffic deck 3m x 7m 30 *M fatigue cycles 60 tons <u>after serious impact</u>*

No structural damage propagation, if any...

Bridge installed with 50 years of Future Lifetime, without repair

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Permanent field clamped connection

Adhesively bonded (+ pinned hor./vert.) on both sides









Permanent field clamped connection

Active dilatation compensation (~ spring)







Gap is closed for fluent roll-on/roll-of





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Permanent field pinned connection

In field adhesive bonding on support pillars (~ constructive fibre paste)







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Dismountable field simply support. connect.



Dismountable Shape-locked Concrete Steel FRP Proven









Dismountable field sliding connection

Sliding supports through InfraCore Deck Guiding cylinders bonded & anchored in monolithic FRP











Dismountable field pinned connection

Connection alternatives InfraCore deck to steel substructure



Hollo-bolt

Can be installed when having access to one side only. The connection is for single use and the bolt cannot be replaced afterwards





Bolted connection

Conventional bolted connection The opening in the deck will be filled and finished after installation



Can be installed when having access to one side only Is particularly effective in InfraCore decks with a thickness of over 150mm The anchor will be installed in a zone of solid FRP (not in foam core)

FRP decks on steel bridges (~ refurbishment)





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Dismountable field pinned connection



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Dismountable field pinned connection







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Dismountable field pinned connection



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FRP decks on steel bridges (~ refurbishment)







Dismountable field clamped connection



M30 chemically bonded anchors Required: 74 kN, measured 166 kN (no failure)





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FRP decks on steel pillars







Dismountable field pinned connection









Dismountable field pinned connection

Steel cylinders adhesively bonded within InfraCore Guiding rods are positoned on sight



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Dismountable simply supported connection

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Floating support

Dismountable fully clamped connection

Permanent clamped connection

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