



thyssenkrupp boosts intelligent airport solutions capabilities

- thyssenkrupp's airport solutions business has acquired the aircraft gate docking systems division of FMT, the Sweden-based pioneer in innovative docking and gate management solutions
- As air passenger numbers are expected to double to 7.2 billion by 2035, thyssenkrupp is investing in digitalized, intelligent systems that can improve passenger flows, aircraft turnaround times, and gate safety and security

thyssenkrupp champions a diverse range of intelligent airport solutions and is always looking at significantly enhancing the company's capabilities in developing them. To further digitalize the business, thyssenkrupp announced today that it has acquired the aircraft gate docking systems division of FMT. FMT is a leading player in this industry, having introduced the industry's first Visual Docking Guidance Systems (VDGS) in the 1970s. With this deal, thyssenkrupp acquires FMT's intellectual properties as well as its highly experienced R&D team responsible for providing some of the most advanced gate systems to major airports across the world.

With the International Air Transport Association (IATA) estimating that passenger demand will double by 2035 to 7.2 billion, thyssenkrupp is broadening its current airport solutions portfolio with FMT's integrated intelligent systems. Incorporating various aspects of gate operations, these solutions are capable of significantly improving efficient mobility in airports.

Commenting on the deal, Philip de Coninck, CEO of thyssenkrupp Airport Solutions says, "Incidents in ground operations cost the aviation industry up to 4 billion US dollars per year. With our solutions we want to help our customers not only avoid this expense but also have quicker turnaround times and safer environments at the gate. Together, our international footprint and FMT's expertise in developing these systems will provide us with a considerable advantage in enhancing our current offerings and meeting the future needs of our customers."

"FMT's aircraft gate docking system division operates at the forefront of advanced gate systems, with innovations such as the only VDGS that is 100% accurate in aircraft identification. FMT's aircraft gate docking system division increases the safety at airports, while also decreasing the turnaround times and the airline industry's impact on the

environment. After the sale of the aircraft gate docking systems division, FMT will focus on the further development of passenger boarding bridges for both airports and the cruise port industry” says Peter Kollert, Chairman of the Board of FMT.

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thyssenkrupp Elevator is well established as a game-changer in the urban mobility industry, and has an extensive portfolio that is already improving efficiency and safety in airports.

The express walkway ACCEL is capable of driving down connection times in airports and generating time savings of up to 70%. iwalk – the company’s moving walkway technology – has been installed in airports in four continents. Other breakthrough innovations such as the world’s first horizontal and vertical rope-less elevator system MULTI, and MAX, the elevator industry’s first cloud-based predictive maintenance solution, are also raising the bar for passenger mobility in cities across the world.

As a leading industry player, thyssenkrupp’s products and solutions are installed at several major airports around the world, including Los Angeles, Miami, Toronto, London, Frankfurt, Madrid, Dubai and Hong Kong. It is also delivering 143 passenger boarding bridges at the upcoming Istanbul New Airport, set to be the world’s largest airport, and will be responsible for their maintenance upon completion.

Press images are available for download here:

https://transfer.thyssenkrupp.info/public/k57216x_3265adc5efe468bf9bea6a/

About FMT:

FMT is engaged in the development, design, manufacturing, and delivery of innovative passenger handling and operational support systems for airports and seaports around the world. FMT has sales offices across four continents. All research and development and manufacturing take place at FMT’s global headquarter in Trelleborg, Sweden. FMT combines 50 years of experience with cutting-edge technology, creating a world leader in the production and installation of state-of-the-art passenger boarding bridges as well as Visual Docking Guidance Systems.

About us:

thyssenkrupp Elevator

thyssenkrupp Elevator brings together the Group’s global activities in passenger transportation systems. With sales of €7.7 billion in fiscal 2016/2017 and customers in 150 countries, thyssenkrupp Elevator built its position as one of the world’s leading elevator companies from scratch in a mere 40 years’ time applying thyssenkrupp unique engineering capabilities. With more than 50,000 highly skilled employees, the company offers smart and innovative products and services designed to meet customers’ individual requirements. The portfolio includes passenger and freight elevators, escalators and moving walks, passenger boarding bridges, stair and platform lifts as well as tailored service solutions for all products. Over 1,000 locations around the world provide an extensive sales and service network to guarantee closeness to customers.

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thyssenkrupp is a diversified industrial group with a growing share of capital goods and service businesses and traditional strengths in materials. Over 158,000 employees in 79 countries work with passion and technological know-how to develop high-quality products and intelligent industrial processes and services for sustainable progress. Their skills and commitment are the basis of our success. In fiscal year 2016/2017 thyssenkrupp generated sales of €41.5 billion.

Together with our customers we develop competitive solutions for current and future challenges in their respective industries. With our engineering expertise we enable our customers to gain an edge in the global market and manufacture innovative products in a cost- and resource-friendly way. Our technologies and innovations are the key to meeting diverse customer and market requirements around the world, growing on the markets of the future, and generating strong and stable earnings, cash flows and value growth.

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