

PRESS RELEASE

SOCOTEC Launches New Strategic Development in the Midlands

SOCOTEC, the UK's leading provider of testing, inspection and compliance services has opened a new facility in the Midlands, with the aim of further enhancing client service.

Located in Binley, Coventry, SOCOTEC Central is a major strategic facility which incorporates a number of SOCOTEC's business units and will serve as a base for up to 100 staff, including the Group's commercial team, Contaminated Land & Waste Consultancy staff, the Geotechnical Operations team and the materials testing staff and resource from the company's former Daventry site.

The development comprises a number of offices and meeting rooms, state-of-the-art aggregates and concrete testing laboratories, and will act as the new home of the Geotechnical Plant department. It also sets a new standard for SOCOTEC Group facilities in terms of the style, fit out, finishing and range of amenities for staff.

"The new Coventry site is a fantastic facility, the likes of which has never before been seen in the history of this market," said Philip Ball, technical group director, SOCOTEC UK. "It sets the standard for facilities that we can be very proud of, in consolidating the Southam and Daventry sites, we will provide a better customer experience and improved integrated solutions."

"The new space has been designed with efficient workflows and environmental considerations at its core – for example, excess heat from some areas will be reused in other areas for space heating.

We look forward to this new chapter in the history of SOCOTEC UK and the wealth of opportunities that it will bring to the business."

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About SOCOTEC

The SOCOTEC Group, headed by Hervé Montjotin, has built its reputation over more than 60 years as a trusted partner assisting companies in the areas of risk management, quality, health and safety, and the environment for the construction, infrastructure and industry sectors

SOCOTEC's mission is to ensure the integrity and performance of assets and people's safety. Through its inspection and measurement, assistance and consultancy, and training and certification services, SOCOTEC helps to optimise the performance of companies in every sector by managing the risks inherent in their activities. Drawing on its expertise and positioning itself as a long-term partner, SOCOTEC supports its clients throughout their project's lifecycle.

As a leader in construction inspection and a major player in TIC for the construction and infrastructure sectors, the SOCOTEC Group has 200,000 clients with operations in 23 countries, 9,000 employees and over 250 forms of external recognition.

In the UK, SOCOTEC is the leading provider of testing, inspection and compliance services, offering comprehensive solutions for the Infrastructure, Energy and Waste and Environment & Safety sectors. The company, which employs more than 1,700 people, delivers in excess of seven million tests a year to over 5,000 customers.

With a history dating back over 100 years, SOCOTEC UK, formerly ESG, has nationwide coverage on client sites and a network of 20 UKAS accredited laboratories, and continues to be a significant driver of change and innovation within the industry. By helping clients design solutions and remain compliant to changing legislation, international standards and economic conditions.

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