

# Getmapping Takes over Promap Civil Engineering



As part of its continued expansion into Africa, Getmapping has taken over Promap Civil Engineering Surveys, based in Pretoria. Promap is a leading supplier of aerial and ground survey services across southern Africa. The acquisition complements Getmapping's existing wholly owned African subsidiary, Geosense, by increasing the aerial Lidar survey capacity within the group. The acquisition of Promap also adds a fixed-wing survey aircraft plus large-format Lidar and an established ground survey team to the group's capabilities.

Under the new arrangements, Geosense's offices in Centurion, will be expanded to accommodate additional production and sales resources. The acquisition increases the number of employees based in Centurion to 19. The Centurion office will remain

Geosense's centre of helicopter-based flight operations and the focus of the company's extensive Lidar processing capability. All fixed wing operations and the ground survey team will continue to work out of Pretoria as Promap Civil Engineering Surveys.

The Getmapping Group now has four offices in Africa - Cape Town, Centurion, Pretoria, and Nairobi.

The acquisition of Promap considerably increases the capacity and reach across Africa, said Dave Horner, managing director of Getmapping. Promap has been operating since 1996 and has extensive experience in Southern Africa, which will help to expand the company's market reach. It also adds fixed wing aerial and ground survey services to their in-house capabilities. Getmapping now provides a complete survey solution with a mix of helicopter, fixed wing and ground survey, and this acquisition increases both capability and capacity. The company now has a large and experienced team in place to take the South African operations to the next level