

South African National Committee on Tunnelling

4 Double Shielded Hard Rock TBMs in use for the Oslo Follo Line –
Project challenges and
TBM solutions
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The South African National
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has pleasure in inviting you to a
Breakfast Talk on

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Synopsis

Until recently, all rail tunnels in Norway were excavated using drill & blast technology. The Follo Line project is a new 22 kilometers long double track rail line between Oslo Central Station and Ski. Four double shield hard rock TBMs with an excavation diameter of 9.96 meters excavated a total of about 36 kilometers of predominantly Precambrian gneisses with banding and lenses of amphibolite and pegmatite. The tunneling concept is based on using four TBMs, two of each operating in opposite directions from two access tunnels that are located near the midpoint of the alignment in a remote, rural location. The tunnel will be Norway's longest and largest rail tunnel. The presentation highlights the project challenges in particular the abrasive and strong rock mass, the large diameter in combination with the possible risk of high water pressures (12 bar) that required a well-adapted TBM concept.

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