

**DMT Rope Testing** 

# Our services for all cable/rope testing requirements comprise

- MRT for new cables/ropes during or after manufacturing
- MRT for cables/ropes in the field
- UT at end anchorages in the field
- MT & PT on sockets and steel constructions
- VT in the field
- Single wire testing
- Damage analyses
- Mechanical and technological determination of properties in our Rope Testing Centre:
  - Determination of tensile strength up to 20MN
  - Determination of rope moduli of elasticity
  - **Torque analysis**
  - Fatigue test
  - Creep test

Legend:

MRT = Magnetic Rope Testing UT = Ultrasonic Testing MT = Magnetic-particle Testing PT = Penetrant Testing VT = Visual Testing

# We are certified:





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### **DMT Rope Testing Centre**

DMT GmbH & Co. KG, Laboratory for Non-Destructive and Destructive Testing -Rope Testing Centre-, Bochum, Germany:

Laboratory for manual non-destructive testing (UT, MT, PT, VT, MRT) and mechanical testing of metallic and non-metallic materials.

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# **Bridge Cable** Inspection

## More than 100 years of experience

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Engineering Performance

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## Magnetic Rope Test

# Modern bridge designs require entirely new test instrumentation.

It was in the 1930s that DMT developed the first electromagnetic testing equipment for steel wire ropes and cables. In this way, and for the first time, the cablesused in guyed structures like bridges could be examined in the field.

Meanwhile, we have a broad background in nondestructive testing and decades of experience in interpreting the corresponding test results.

Thanks to the latest in-house developments, we can now test steel wire bridge cables exceeding 250 mm in diameter.



## **Ultrasonic Inspection**

Wire cracks and breaks caused by dynamical loads often occur in the most critical areas of bridge cables - the end connections - after being in service often for decades. UT can be executed at different hanger and stay cable types (e.g. locked coil cables, parallel wire cables).

Depending on the cable type, the ultrasonic probe is placed at the wire end buttons or on the wire surface. Ultrasonic signals, sent into the single wires, will then be reflected by anomalies in the wire. Cracks can be detected even within the sockets or under cable clamps.



## References

### Second Bosporus Bridge

#### (Fatih Sultan Mehmet Bridge), Istanbul, Turkey

 Magneto-inductive inspection of selected hanger cables along the ropes' free sections

#### Köhlbrand Bridge, Hamburg, Germany

 Magneto- inductive inspection of 80 full locked stay cables

#### Solidarity Bridge, Duisburg, Germany

- Ultrasonic inspection of all full locked hanger cables at the end anchorages
- Magneto- inductive inspection of all full locked hanger cables along the free cable sections

#### Malpensa Airport Bridge, Italy

- Ultrasonic testing of the strand anchoring sections at selected parallel strand stay cables
- Ultrasonic testing of the strand anchoring areas at selected pre-tensioning cables

#### Zárate-Brazo Largo Bridge, Argentina

 Ultrasonic testing of the anchorages for all 144 parallel wire stay cables and validation of the testing procedure

#### Rhein-Bridge Wesel, Germany

- Magneto- inductive inspection of all parallel strand stay cables along the free cable sections
- Automatic visual testing of all parallel strand stay cable cladding tubes along the free cable sections
- Visual testing of other safety-relevant cable areas (e.g. bundling elements, end anchorages)

