

PRESS RELEASE

Stabila laser distance measurers draw the line in underground mining

13 June 2019: From shaft foremen to surveyors and environmental personnel, Stabila measuring equipment, distributed locally by leading supplier Upat, is finding increasing application in the mining industry.

Here the most popular Stabila product range is its laser distance measurers, Upat Technical Specialist – Mining & Utilities **Clayton Dry** reveals. “One of our major gold-mining clients is using Stabila’s range of rotational lasers to line-up shaft buntings.”

The most popular Stabila laser distance measurers supplied to the underground mining industry at present are its LD 320 and LD 520 models. The latter is a digital target locator with a 4x zoom, a 360° inclination sensor, Bluetooth capability for data transfer, and individually-assignable operating heads.

The LD 320, on the other hand, is distinguished by its ease-of-use, rapid measuring results and large easy-to-read digits. Its working area is 0.2m to 60m, with a typical accuracy of $\pm 2\text{mm}$ and an IP54 rating for extra durability in rugged mining environments.

However, Dry stresses it is important to specify a laser distance measurer best-suited to the application at hand. “There is no use specifying a LD 320 for a shaft surveyor if he or she never has a need to measure long distances. We always look at the job designation and application when determining which product is best. This is where Upat, in particular, excels when it comes to aftersales support and technical back-up.”

Dry adds that Stabila is a premium brand, with its products designed specifically for use by highly-qualified and trained artisans. “This is a top-of-the-range brand that gets the job done quickly and effectively, increasing productivity and promoting safe working practices in mining operations,” he concludes.

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Upat SA (Pty) Ltd. is a 100% South African owned business that began trading in 1983. From the outset, Upat has been committed to the building industry, supplying not only a range of anchor bolts, but also rotary hammer drilling machines, tungsten-tipped masonry drill bits, powder actuated tools, and allied building and construction products. Upat’s ability to supply a range of top-quality products at market-related prices has resulted in it becoming a market leader in Southern Africa. Upat is proudly the sole Southern African distributor of the fischer range of construction fasteners, the Milwaukee power-tool brand, the AEG power-tool brand and the Stabila range of measuring tools.

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