Silo Discharge
CENTREX®
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Trouble-free silo discharge for sticky and cohesive materials with poor flow properties with First-in and First-out principle.

The logarithmically shaped discharge arm moves the bulk material towards the central outlet underneath the inner cone, where it is discharged into a chute. The discharge arm acts the material from underneath the material column and reaches beyond the outlines of the silo wall, which avoids accumulations and prevents the bulk material from sticking to the silo wall. Consequently, the material column is brought to descend in a regular and uniform manner, which maintains the homogeneity of the stored material, thus avoiding segregation and bridging.

The logarithmic design of the discharge arm prevents the bulk material from being compacted when moved to the central outlet. In addition it minimizes wear and requires less drive power.

On account of its very compact and rigid design, the CENTREX® is also an ideal solution for installation into or underneath existing bins or silos.

Three basic alternatives are available with the CENTREX® system. The choice depends either on the technical features of the bulk material or on the type of application within a given process.

- CENTREX® with internal drive type CTX-IV
- CENTREX® with external drive and stationary inner cone type CTX-AV
- CENTREX® with external drive and rotating inner cone type CTX-AFD

Material examples which can be discharged:

- FGD Gypsum
- Gypsum
- Coal
- Limestone
- Clay
- Marl
- Wet ash
A CENTREX® CTX-IV with internal drive can be of shock-proof or entirely pressure and water-proof design.

It is therefore particularly suitable for:

- Feeding of mills, dryers and kilns
- Sludge discharge from sediment retention basins
- Discharge from silos operating with inert gas
- Discharge from silos with poisonous materials
- Recommended silo diameter of 2.5 - 8 m

Radially arranged support arms connect the inner cone with the silo wall. With their roof-shaped upper section serving as deflector plate, these support arms are designed to prevent the stored material from sticking to the arms.

At least one of these arms is enlarged to allow access to the inside of the cone. The internal drive unit is accessible and can be removed with the rope winch also installed inside the cone.

This alternative with its compact design is a most economic solution.
The drive unit of the CENTREX® CTX-AV design is fitted to the discharge bottom for easy access. This design also features radially arranged support plates connecting the inner cone with the silo wall.

This alternative with external drive and stationary inner cone offers ideal conditions for applications involving a high torque and requiring easy maintenance.

Two separate lubrication lines: One to lubricate the gear of the slewing ring, one to lubricate the bearings of the slewing ring.
CENTREX® with External Drive and Rotating Inner Cone Type CTX-AFD

With this alternative, the inner cone, discharge arm and rotary chute form one unit designed for easy discharge of even extremely difficult bulk materials. The rotating movement of the cone activates the stored material and significantly improves the mass flow of the bulk material. The entire rotating unit is mounted onto a slewing ring with spherical bearing and gear ring power transmission.

Due to the additional activation of the stored material caused by the rotation of the inner cone as part of the rotating unit, bridging is effectively prevented.

Advantages:

- Easy maintenance of drive unit and slewing ring
- Use also possible for silos down to 1 m diameter
- With rotating cone bridges will be destroyed
- High torques transferable with 2 or more drives
CENTREX® - Feeding of FGD Gypsum to silo

CENTREX® Applications

CENTREX® CTX-AFD silo (detail)
CENTREX® with two external drives for discharge of FGD Gypsum loading onto a weigh feeder

Truck loading underneath CENTREX®
Transport and Discharge of Various Types of Bulk Material

LOUISE Double-Strand Chain Conveyor feeding 2 silos (example)

CENTREX® type CTX-AFD with external drive for FGD Gypsum
Assembling of CENTREX® Units

Lifting of the CENTREX® bottom

Assembling of CENTREX® bottom in the field

Assembling of a CENTREX® silo

Silo Discharge from CENTREX® with Truck Loading

CENTREX® CTX-IV with internal drive. Discharge from a steel plate silo with truck loading
CENTREX® with internal drive: minimum discharge arm diameter 2,500 mm. 
CENTREX® with external drive and rotating cone: max. discharge arm diameter: 4,000 mm.

### Technical Data*

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Bulk material testing in the AUMUND laboratory

To determine the physical and mechanical properties and behaviour of specific bulk materials, the AUMUND laboratory incorporates a large variety of testing equipment. Various test methods allow to determine the correct application of our products, e.g. shear testing.
Drive arrangement of CTX-AV, external drive (close up)

Components

Assembled CTX-IV 5000, view into the support/maintenance arm, onto the planetary drive unit

CENTREX® discharge arm for internal drive
CENTREX® CTX-AV assembly in the workshop at Rheinberg, Germany

CENTREX® CTX-AFD discharge arm (close up)
Installation of new bucket strand (example)

**Conversions and Refurbishments**

- Upgrading of existing plant components
- Targeting increased efficiency
- Higher output
- Improved availability

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