

## Technical event on “Recovery of construction and demolition waste” at the ÖKOTECH environmental trade fair and CONSTRUMA trade fair in 2011 in Budapest



Dismantling a prefabricated building; source: Mettke, BTU Cottbus

### Background

As part of the German-Hungarian environmental cooperation partnership, the governments of the two countries agreed in 1993 to regularly hold experts' meetings and scientific events and to exchange experts. Since 2003, technical events on waste management and contaminated sites treatment have been carried out in Budapest each year. These events contribute to establishing the EU's high environmental standards in the new EU member state Hungary. The events provide an opportunity to share German experience and give advisory assistance in these areas. In order to attract a large audience, they take place as side-events to relevant trade fairs.

### Project

This series was continued on 6 April 2011 with the eighth technical event, which dealt with “recovery of construction and demolition waste”. Representatives of the Hungarian Ministry for Rural Development and the German Federal Environment Ministry opened the seminar with speeches describing the current situation in the recovery of construction and demolition waste. Subsequently, several German experts from science and industry presented technical possibilities for the recovery of construction waste as well as quality assurance measures and the legal framework. The presentations attracted great interest from the 70 participants and generated a lively discussion.

- Target country/region: Hungary
- Duration: 01/2011 – 04/2011
- Beneficiary: decision makers in administrations, builders, building companies, architects, engineers
- Implementing organisation: Federal Environment Agency in cooperation with the Hungarian Ministry for Rural Development
- Project number: FKZ 380 01 258