

## COMPANY INTRODUCTION

### *Maccaferri SA (Pty) Ltd*

*Maccaferri SA (Pty) Ltd (formerly known as African Gabions), set foot in South Africa in 1957, when the Company was registered under the name of River & Sea Gabions, the then British subsidiary of the Italian group Maccaferri. The mission of the Company was to increase the awareness on soil erosion problems, and to market the methods and materials available at that time. Having been established in 1879, the Maccaferri group had already earned a reputation as a global solution provider in terms of erosion control and flood mitigation structures.*

*The original name was changed to African Gabions (Pty) Ltd in 1989, to coincide with the opening of the first factory in Isithebe, KwaZulu-Natal; 7 years later, the factory moved to larger premises in Westmead, Pinetown, where it is located today, together with the head office.*

*In line with our vision, the Company will provide their clients with a comprehensive range of solutions to geotechnical problems, from the civil and mining engineering industries, to residential, agricultural and soil conservation applications. With a physical presence in Durban, Johannesburg, Cape Town, East London, and Madagascar, and a network of distributors in Southern Africa, Maccaferri SA is well positioned to promptly and effectively assist all clients including the mines.*

*Innovative products have been launched after extensive Research & Development programmes, undertaken through Institutions and laboratories worldwide, such as our MAC.RO.™ range of Rockfall Mitigation products, MacMat™ - a 3-dimensional polypropylene mat used in drainage and erosion control applications and MacForce - concrete panels with steel and polymeric tie-backs used in retaining wall applications. Our Company prides itself in being one of the first to achieve the ISO 9001:2000 quality certification, and our team of professionals is committed to providing you with complete client satisfaction.*

*In October 2007, we were awarded the SABS SANS 1580 mark for our double-twist wire mesh products.*

*These documents provide you with a glimpse into the activities of the Group employing currently more than 3000 people worldwide, involved with challenging geotechnical projects on a daily basis; we do not pretend to cover all possible applications with these documents, and therefore invite you to browse our website for additional information:*

[www.maccaferri.co.za](http://www.maccaferri.co.za)

*Contact our nearest office for specific queries and technical support, and consider Maccaferri Southern Africa as your partner in geotechnical and environmental solutions !*

