

## Safe and effective Floor Cleaning

### **Moscow**

The Church of Christ the Saviour is the main church of the Russian Orthodox religion and, at the same time, the seat of its leader for Moscow and all Russia, Patriarch Alexy II.

Planning of the church was started immediately after Napoleon's defeat and his retreat from Russia. The construction of the church took from 1839 - 1883. In 1917 the first Patriarch - after almost 200 years - began his work in the cathedral as leader of the Russian Orthodox Church. Then, on 5th December 1931 the building fell prey to the atheist ideology of the Russian rulers and was completely destroyed by several explosions.

In its place a monumental Soviet palace with gigantic dimensions was to be erected; however, only a public swimming bath was built on the enormous building site. In 1990, after the opening of the Soviet Union, plans were started for the rebuilding of the church; these plans were driven forward by Patriarch Alexy II and the Mayor of Moscow, Yuri Luzhkov. The new building of the cathedral began in 1995, and the shell was completed in time for the 850-year celebrations in Moscow.

Altogether, 1000 employees are occupied in this cathedral, which comprises several naves with a number of floors, a museum, a hall which seats several thousands, and the Patriarch's rooms.



## Low-noise cleaning by SILENT system

The company FRAGRA has taken on the cleaning of the entire church. FRAGRA is a large service company which takes care of several representative buildings and facilities of the government and the city of Moscow.

For about one year now, two HEFTER TURNADO 55 PRO systems have been in use in the Church of Christ the Saviour and other buildings.

The lower nave and the museum, with a total of 3000 m<sup>2</sup>, are cleaned regularly on a daily basis; further 700 m<sup>2</sup> are sometimes cleaned up to six times a day during events. The surfaces to be cleaned consist mainly of marble, granite and fine stoneware.

Here, some of the HEFTER product qualities are of particular benefit to the team of cleaners, e.g. the long running time, as a cleaning cycle of 3.5 hours can be run on one battery charge.

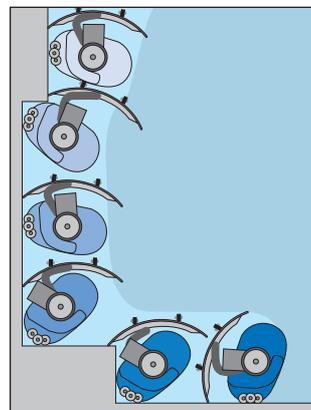
Tatjana Tarasova, the facility manager, confirms: "Operation and handling of the systems is very simple, changing brushes and squeegees can be done by every operator without any problems. However, a very big advantage is that cleaning can be done right up against edges, as there are numerous pillars and niches in the building".

The company is very satisfied with the service offered by the local HEFTER distributor R.E.K. Master; reaction time to enquiries and the quick supply of attachments and spare parts run smoothly.

"A very special benefit for us is the fact that during large events, where cleaning has to be done while the buildings are open to the public, we do not disturb visitors, as the systems are extremely quiet in comparison to the systems of other suppliers, and the floors are safe to walk on immediately after cleaning", explains Valentina, the responsible shift manager.

"The responsible managers in the Purchasing and Technical departments of FRAGRA are convinced of the quality of the solution in place and are altogether very satisfied with the performance offered. Thus they readily confirm their satisfaction to other potential buyers".

"All in all, the use of the HEFTER technology offers us a clear advantage", confirms the Technical Manager at FRAGRA, Nicolai Volodin.



The **TURNADO** principle - through the use of the revolving cleaning head which can be turned up to 360° cleaning in corners is no problem at all!

