# Demolition – wrapped in Fibertex

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## Sparkasse Hagen, a 30-year-old giant fell in the German town of Hagen

- 1,500 explosive charges used in the blast
- 6,000 m<sup>2</sup> scaffolding in a height of 20 m wrapped with Fibertex
- Fibertex used to prevent debris from flying around
- Fibetex used for protection of the surrounding buildings

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## Sparkasse Hagen

#### On Sunday the 7 March 2004, wrapped in Fibertex products, a 30-year-old giant fell in the German town of Hagen.

The giant – a 100 m high office building in the city centre – was home to Sparkasse Hagen and was the city's landmark.

The building named "Lange Oskar" is the tallest administration building in a European city to be demolished by blasting so far.

A total of 6,000 m<sup>2</sup> scaffolding in a height of 20 m was put up and wrapped with Fibertex to protect nearby buildings during the blast. All front openings from ground floor to third floor were covered with Fibertex. The surrounding buildings were covered with Fibertex Geotextiles for protection. Mainly Fibertex F-400M was used for the project. Large Fibertex banners adorned the buildings as Fibertex sponsored the liner for the blast.

On Monday the 8 March 2004 the blast was shown on the programme Galileo on the German channel Pro7 – in prime time! Jürgen Pohl from Fibertex's German sales subsidiary was among the 40,000 spectators who had travelled to Hagen to watch the explosion.

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### **The Fibertex solution**

Large parts of the 100 m high building were wrapped with Fibertex to prevent debris from flying around. For protection, the surrounding buildings were wrapped with Fibertex Geotextiles, mainly F-400M. The high performance of the Fibertex liner contributed positively to the successful demolition. The "protective wall" of Fibertex was hit by debris, but at no time punctured, keeping all rubble inside.



