



## FOCUS ON Puente vehicular Hisgaura, Colombia

Hisgaura Bridge is the tallest structure in Colombia and with its 128 stays is the largest cable-stayed bridge in South America. Located along the Curos-Málaga road (Department of Santander), it spans the space over a steep and hazardous area which recorded constant road's closures. With a length of 580 metres and a highest point of 147 metres above the ground level, it connects Malaga with the Curos sector. The bridge has four bearings, two lanes (one for each direction) and two pedestrian walkways on each side. Furthermore, a dedicated substation provides the necessary lighting and the preventive technology to monitor the infrastructure's behaviour.

Since 2017, Sisgeo LatinoAmerica has been entrusted with several activities including supply, instruments installation and maintenance, data management and report during the construction step. During the bridge construction, an array of instruments was supplied and installed, including: mono-axial and biaxial filometers, vibrating wire strain gauges, thermometers and OMNIAlog dataloggers. In this phase all the data were acquired manually.

Once the structure has been finalized, Sisgeo LatinoAmerica was in charge of the testing, managing the static and dynamic load tests. During the testing, high precision topographic levelling, automatic total stations as well as triaxial accelerometric systems have been deployed.

At this stage, the data from all instruments installed so far have been acquired automatically through OMNIAlog dataloggers. The dataloggers were also made capable of acquiring the outputs of the load cells installed at the suspension bridge cables, provided by another company. The large amount of data was managed, displayed and processed with the real-time management platform, named AIDA lot, powered by Field S.r.l. The tests carried out and the results obtained have been documented in the final report, which describes in details the activities carried out, the instruments and systems used as well as the results both in numerical and graphical form. All the documentation was then transferred to the designers and contractor for the interpretation and analysis of the entire package of geotechnical, geometrical and structural data.



## REFERENCE PROJECTS

### Europe

Strait of Messina Bridge project - Italy  
Morandi bridge - Italy  
Torino-Milano high speed railway - Italy  
Milano-Bologna high speed railway - Italy  
Rio-Antirio bridge - Greece  
Third Millennium bridge, Zaragoza Expo - Spain  
Los Santos bridge, A8 highway - Spain  
Braila bridge - Romania  
S. Benedetto Po bridge - Italy  
A3 Salerno-Reggio Calabria motorway - Italy  
Metsovo bridge - Greece  
A22 Brennero highway  
SMS 2A railway project - Norway  
Quadrilatero Umbria-Marche road project - Italy  
Jonica Main Street n.106 - Italy  
Napoli-Bari railway - Italy  
Ring road monitoring, Stevio highway - Italy

### Asia & Oceania

3<sup>rd</sup> Bosphorus bridge, Northern Marmara highway - Turkey  
North East link project - Australia  
Central Railway station, Sidney - Australia  
Tavrída Street project - Russia  
Railway road, Astana - Kazakhstan  
Monorail Vivo Center - Singapore  
THSR C250/220 project, Kaohsiung - Taiwan  
Major Road Victoria projects - Australia  
Metronet rail project - Australia  
Cross River rail - Australia  
Asia transition box - Turkey  
Anatolian-Karayollari motorway - Turkey  
Roads-road 2 project - Israel  
Can Tho bridge - Vietnam

### America & Africa

Hisgaura bridge - Colombia  
Nichupté bridge - Mexico  
Ferrocarril Norte - Brazil  
Cucuta-Pamplona 4G highway - Colombia  
Puerto Cabello-La Encrucijada railway project - Venezuela  
Pumarejo bridge - Colombia  
Gautrain Park station - South Africa  
Wadu Kuf bridge - Libia

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BRIDGES SAFETY AND MONITORING

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Bridge monitoring is essential for ensuring the safety of the public who use the bridge, as well as for reducing the maintenance costs and extending the lifespan of the bridge. By detecting potential problems early on, bridge operators can take preventive measures to avoid catastrophic failures and costly repairs.

The sensors and monitoring systems can measure a variety of factors, such as vibration, temperature, humidity, deformations, tilting and strain. This data can be analysed to detect changes or anomalies that could indicate potential issues with the bridge structure.

### Monitoring purposes

Public safety of transportation networks

Detecting and alerting to potential structural issues

Assessing the bridge's condition

Providing early warning of potential hazards

Enhancing maintenance efficiency

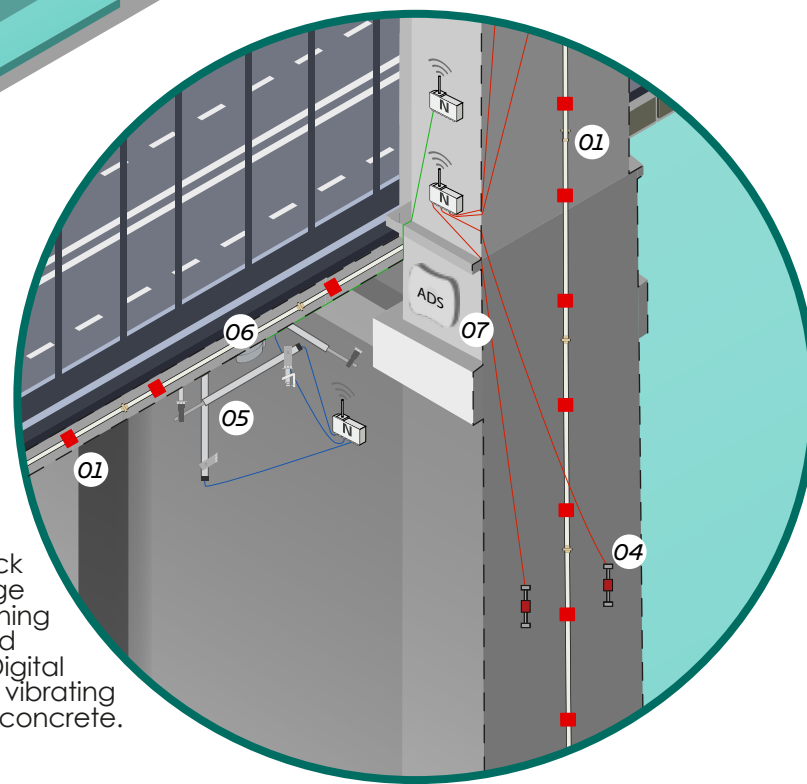
Improving long-term planning

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# SUSPENDED AND CABLE-STAYED BRIDGES



Drawings not in scale

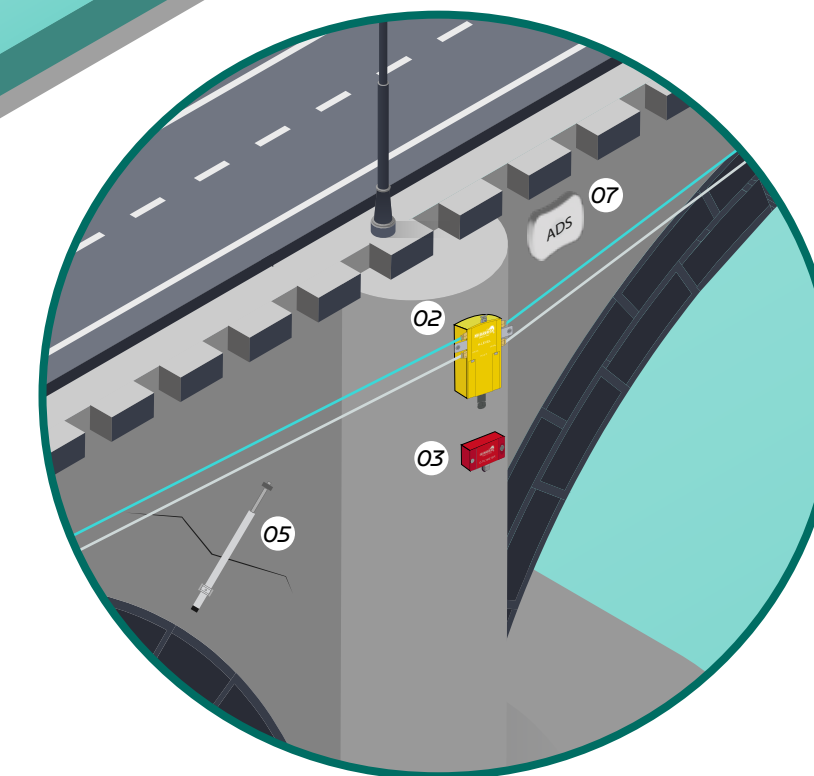
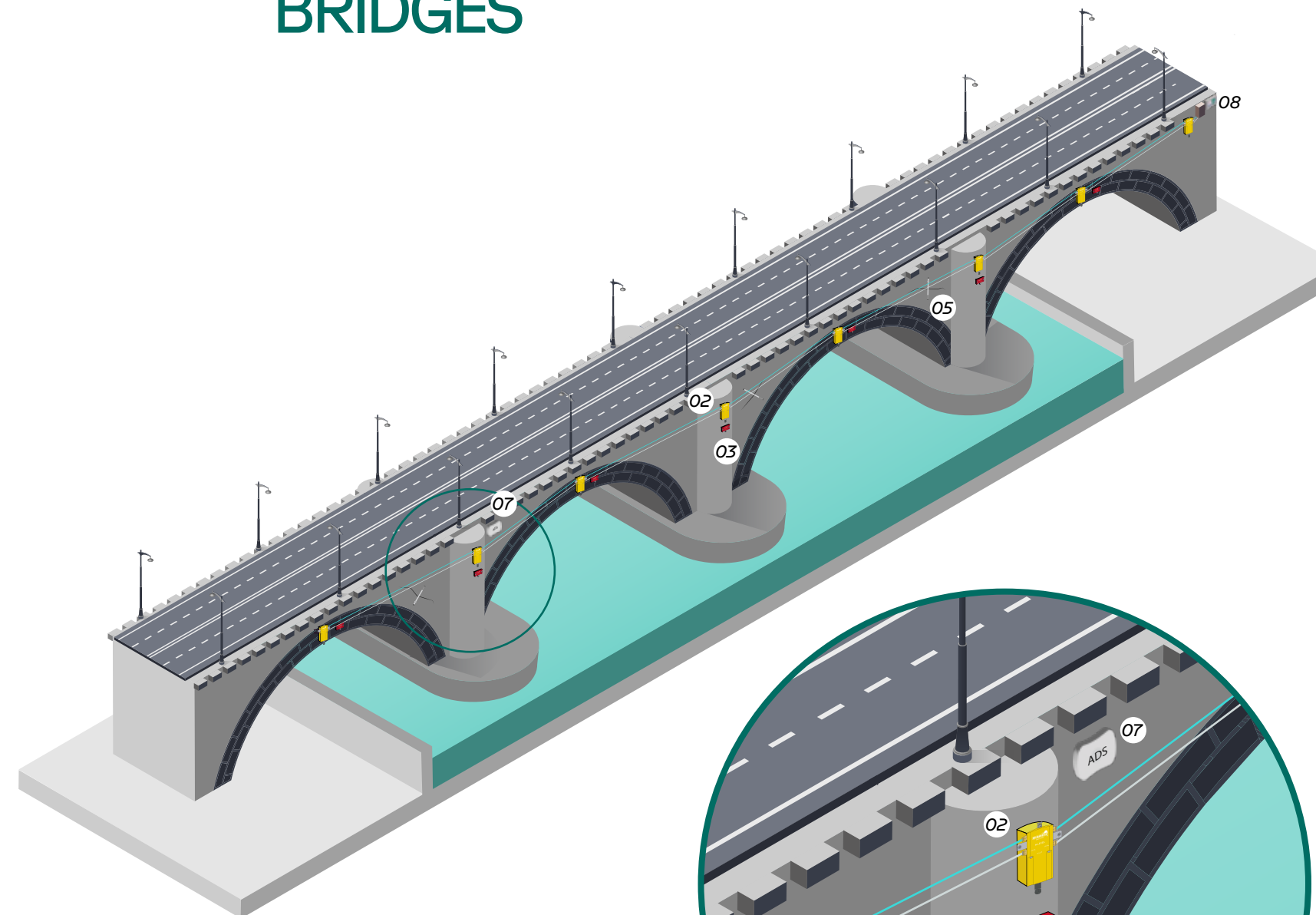


Sectional view of deck and pillar of the bridge illustrating the positioning of the instruments and the embedment of Digital LT-Inclibus chain and vibrating wire strain gauges in concrete.

## Reading solutions and data collection

The readout units and dataloggers are an essential part of the monitoring system. The readouts are needed during the installation procedures, in order to check any instruments before and after their installation, or when an automatic monitoring solution is not required. MIND readout is the new portable multichannel readout unit able to read and store data from both digital and analogue instruments, via its MIND App. Dataloggers and wireless solutions are ideal for the automatic and remote monitoring in any geotechnical conditions. OMNIAlog and WRLog dataloggers offer precise measurement and reliable data acquisition from various sensor types and gauges supporting vibrating wire, MEMS and digital sensors, and all major geotechnical instruments. Sisgeo can also offer a dedicated service for data/measurement management from automatic and manual monitoring systems called AIDA IoT (powered by Field Srl). The electric signals of the instruments are captured by the Data Acquisition Units, sent to a Server and later imported to a dedicated Database, where they are divided by project, instruments and measurements. Data are then converted into engineering units, validated, processed and represented in charts and table format.

# ARC BRIDGES



## INSTRUMENTS

- 01 Digital LT-inclibus: Check of deck and pillar horizontal/vertical displacement
- 02 Digital H-Level settlement system: Differential settlement monitoring of structures
- 03 Digital tiltmeter: Tilt monitoring of the structures
- 04 Vibrating wire strain gauge: Check the stress conditions of concrete mass or steel structures
- 05 Vibrating wire crackmeters: Monitoring of the cracks opening
- 06 Electric anchor load cells: Monitor the load applied to tendons

## READOUT AND DATALOGGER

- MIND readout
- OMNIAlog multichannel datalogger
- WR Log wireless system

## STRUCTURAL HEALTH MONITORING SYSTEM

- 07 Ad-Signum solution: Continuous monitoring of the global structural state and event detection

