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**SMOPYC 2026** 

XCENTRIC will be present at the 20 INTERNATIONAL SHOW OF PUBLIC WORKS. CONSTRUCTION AND MINING MACHINERY,

in Zaragoza, from April 15 to 18, 2026.

- We will know the location soon -

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# 15 years of versatility





We continue to celebrate the **Xcentric Ripper's 15th anniversary** on the market. If there is one thing that defines this attachment, this is its versatility, along with its productivity and reliability.

By now, any of our customers could explain the advantages of this tool when it comes to adapting to different applications and terrains, including underwater work, without the need for any modifications.

This feature makes it unnecessary, in many cases, to have different attachments, as it can cover different needs for companies that carry out a variety of projects.

The **main applications** we highlight for the Xcentric Ripper are those listed below, photos of which can be seen in this article and videos on our YouTube channel. Because, as we always say, the best way to learn about our machines is to see them in action.

Excavation

The Xcentric
Ripper is one
of the most
productive
tools for rock
excavation
and extraction,
and in most
cases exceeds

the productivity achieved with a hydraulic breaker. The main applications are:



- ✓ Quarry
- ✓ Trenches
- ✓ Construction and tunnels
- √ Frozen ground (permafrost)
- ✓ Underwater

#### **Demolition**

It is also a very useful attachment in demolition work, such as:

- ✓ Concrete
- ✓ Underwater

# Recycling

The Xcentric Ripper withstands

very high temperatures, so it can be used in recycling projects such as:

- ✓ Slag stainless steel
- ✓ Steel mills
- ✓ Garbage incinerator
- ✓ Hot slag

# **Dredging**

The Xcentric Ripper can work underwater without any modifications to its structure:

- ✓ Ports
- ✓ Naval engineering

#### Mining

The so-called 'Mining Series' is focused on mining use. The operating technology is basically the same as the standard version, except for the mechanics, which have been reinforced to achieve greater impact at a lower frequency, significantly increasing its performance in hard rock:

✓ Underground



Last June, we once again received a visit from students and teachers from the Adsis Foundation, who had visited us in previous academic years.

As we have mentioned on other occasions, this foundation is a non-profit organization that, for more than 55 years, has worked to provide opportunities for people in vulnerable situations. Each year, they support more than 40,000 people in Spain and more than 5,000 in Latin America.

Currently, the Adsis Gasteiz Foundation provides training in key, transversal, formal, and employable skills, individualized

support in the training and job search process, social career guidance, guidance on immigration matters, values education. and Spanish women. The foundation primarily works with at-risk young people between the ages of 16 and 25.

During their visit to our factory, guided by our maintenance



colleague Aitor Inchausti, they were able to see the different workstations and each of the processes carried out in our workshops for the manufacture attachments. our listened attentively each to of the explanations and were very interested in the different machinery used in the machining workshop.

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We are always gratified to receive these types of visits, where students can gain a real-life

understanding of factory work and the complex manufacturing process required for the parts that make up the machines they will later see at work on construction sites, for example. And we are grateful for the much-needed work done by this Foundation.



In this 28th issue of our magazine 'Miles Ahead,' in which we are reviewing the spring and summer of 2025, we speak with Antonio Cid. As usual in these interviews. he tells us about his experience at Grado Cero and his vision of the company.

# ☐ How did you start working at Grado Cero Sistemas / **Xcentric Ripper?**

Well, it was by chance. They were looking for a lathe operator and contacted me through a friend. I liked the future project the company proposed to me, so I decided to take the plunge.

When I see a tool working, I like thinking that I made some of the parts myself, and it even works...

# ☐ What does your job at the company entail?

position involves organizing work in the lathe section, as well as preparing

and programming the various machines we have. I'm also in charge of providing the tools and consumables necessary the manufacturing processes and resolving any problems that may arise. As you can see, I'm never bored (laughs). It may seem like a lot, but my colleagues make my job easier and help me a lot.

# ☐ What do you like most about you job here?

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job is seeing the functions of the different parts we manufacture. When I see an attachment in use. I like to think that I made some of the

parts that make it up (and it even works... -laughs-).

- ☐ What would you highlight about Xcentric Ripper / Grado Cero as a company? I would highlight the company's ability to adapt and innovate to meet market demands.
- ☐ Tell us about an anecdote from the time you have been working with us.

More than an anecdote, it's just a curiosity. It turns out

that, in my previous job, It was me who used to make the machines used now here to paint what we manufacture, so I still see that what I do works, and the circle closes (laughs).

☐ Finally, what would you have liked to do if you didn't work here?

Well, considering that I love what I do It's hard to say, but I really like cars, so I guess something automotive-related.



On this occasion, we introduce you to one of our newest distributors in Europe. The company is Hammer Master Lab, and they distribute Xcentric products in Italy. They introduce themselves and tell us how they started working with us and their projects.

#### Who we are

Hammer Master Lab is a service company specialized in technical assistance, maintenance, sales, and rental of equipment for demolition and recycling. Based in Turin, Piedmont, our technical team boasts decades of experience in the field and an indepth knowledge of all the major international brands.

Our mission is simple: to provide fast, precise, and expert service, both for customers purchasing new equipment and for those wishing to keep their existing Fascinated by the unique technology and design of Xcentric products, we decided to start a partnership

machines in top condition. For several years we have been importers of Rammer and Allu, and for the past two years also of Xcentric.

#### How we met Xcentric

Our encounter with Xcentric happened naturally in the field. Two years ago, one of our trusted technicians was carrying out work on a construction site in Tuscany, where he first saw Xcentric equipment in action. Struck by its power, precision, and build quality, he immediately shared his experience with the management of Hammer Master Lab.

Intrigued, we explored the full range and, fascinated by the unique technology and design of Xcentric products, we decided to start a partnership and become an official dealer.

# Impressions of Xcentric products

Xcentric equipment stands out for a radically different design philosophy. Every component is engineered to ensure efficiency, strength, and reliability even under the toughest conditions. The crushers impress with their ability to handle extremely hard materials with surprising smoothness, while the rippers, in addition to their power, feature a design that reduces vibrations and stress on the carrier machines. Customer feedback has been extremely positive from the start, particularly for ease of use and productivity.



# **OUR DEALERS**





### Work carried out so far

We are still in the early stages of our journey but have already had the chance to work with the products both commercially and technically. We sold our first crusher and personally oversaw its installation and user training, with excellent feedback. We also carried out a major maintenance operation on a ripper, which allowed us to appreciate the

intelligent engineering and the responsiveness of Xcentric's technical support team.

These first experiences have confirmed the quality of our choice and encourage us to invest even more in the brand.

# Future plans

Our goal is to expand Xcentric's presence in Northern and Central Italy, making its potential known to a wider audience. We believe there is a receptive market ready for high-performance solutions like those offered by Xcentric. We are planning on-site demonstrations. collaborations with rental companies, and targeted marketing actions to position these products as a top choice for demolition, excavation, and recycling.



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