

MBDA AND SAFRAN PARTNERS IN MMP OFFERING FOR LAND 400 AUSTRALIAN ARMY ACQUISITION PROGRAMME

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MBDA and Safran Electronics & Defense are proud to announce their global strategic partnership which will play a key role in response to the Commonwealth of Australia's Defence Industry Policy Statement to support the development of Australian sovereign industrial and strategic capability.

This agreement will take advantage of Safran Electronics & Defense Australasia, a Safran Electronics & Defense subsidiary that has been operational for over twenty years in Australia, for delivery and support of optronics and navigation equipment.

MMP is the only 5th generation multi-purpose guided missile system, currently ordered by a major NATO member. MMP was developed by MBDA for dismounted applications and for integration onto armoured fighting vehicles.

MMP has been ordered by France for its infantry and combat reconnaissance vehicles (Scorpion program). It will be fitted onto the French army's new Jaguar combat vehicles along with Safran Electronics & Defense's PASEO advanced sighting systems. Qualification of MMP was completed in July 2017, and deliveries have now started.

PASEO sighting system, with its advanced capabilities and already integrated to fire the MMP missile, has additionally been ordered by France and integrated on to the Scorpion program's Jaguar combat reconnaissance vehicles.

SAFRAN Electronics & Defense is a strategic partner of MBDA for a number of programs, including the MMP missile system where they are responsible for critical optronics elements namely: dismounted firing posts, sensors, commands, and missile seekers.

Safran is an international high-technology group and tier-1 supplier of systems and equipment in the Aerospace and Defense markets. Operating worldwide, Safran has nearly 58,000 employees and generated sales of 15.8 billion euros in 2016. Safran is listed on the Euronext Paris stock exchange, and its share is part of the CAC 40 and Euro Stoxx 50 indices.

Safran Electronics & Defense is a world leader in optronics, avionics, electronics and critical software for both civil and defense applications. The company's products are deployed worldwide on more than 500 ships, 7,000 armored vehicles and 10,000 aircraft.

As a fully owned subsidiary of Safran Electronics & Defense, Safran Electronics & Defense Australasia has complete access to Safran Electronics & Defense's OEM knowledge and global network to locally support its customers.

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With a significant presence in five European countries and within the USA, in 2016 MBDA achieved a turnover of 3.0 billion euros with an order book of 15.9 billion euros. With more than 90 armed forces customers in the world, MBDA is

a world leader in missiles and missile systems. MBDA is the only European group capable of designing and producing missiles and missile systems that correspond to the full range of current and future operational needs of the three armed forces (land, sea and air). In total, the group offers a range of 45 missile systems and countermeasures products already in operational service and more than 15 others currently in development. MBDA is jointly owned by Airbus (37.5%), BAE Systems (37.5%), and Leonardo (25%).

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