

Press Release

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PETER BOLS APPOINTED CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER OF MBDA

1st September 2012: Peter Bols has been appointed as the new Chief Financial Officer of MBDA, replacing Julian Whitehead who has moved to EADS Cassidian. In taking up his role which reports directly to Antoine Bouvier the group's CEO, Peter will also become a member of the MBDA Executive Committee.

Peter comes to MBDA from EADS where he held a number of senior financial roles, most recently within EADS Corporate Finance. Previously he was the CFO of the AirTanker Consortium and beforehand, the CFO of EADS Missile Division. Before joining industry, Peter enjoyed a nine year career with the British Army, serving as an officer in the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers with 5 Airborne Brigade and 72 Aircraft workshop in support of the BAOR helicopter fleet.

Regarding the appointment, Antoine Bouvier said: "With Peter's wealth of experience, both from within the industry and from the customer viewpoint, I am convinced that he will make an immediate contribution as we continue to advance our business. My colleagues and I on the MBDA Executive Committee are all looking forward to working with Peter in the years to come."

Notes to editors

With a significant presence in five European countries and within the USA, in 2011 MBDA achieved a turnover of € 3 billion with an order book of € 10.5 billion. With more than 90 armed forces customers in the world, MBDA is a world leader in missiles and missile systems.

MBDA is the only 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.

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