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**PRESS RELEASE**

## **SELEX Galileo to become a key player in Southeast Asia, the fastest growing security and defence market**

SELEX Galileo, a Finmeccanica Company, is an international player in defence electronics with operations in the UK, Italy and the US. The Company has a distinctive capability in mission critical systems, protection systems and situational awareness solutions for air, land and sea applications. SELEX Galileo has a strong heritage in Asia as the partner of choice for advanced electronic warfare and airborne sensor solutions, and is increasingly recognised as a leading UAS provider.

At the upcoming Singapore Airshow, SELEX GALILEO focuses its attention on a number of key capability areas relevant to expected opportunities within Southeast Asia.

In the EW rotary wing arena, SELEX Galileo is promoting the combat proven *Helicopter Integrated Defensive Aids Suite (HIDAS)*, delivering world class protection. Developed to meet the requirements of the British Army for its Apache Longbow Helicopters, HIDAS has subsequently been acquired by Kuwait and Greece for their Apache fleets. The Aircraft Gateway Processor (AGP), the Aircraft Survivability Equipment (ASE) controller at the core of HIDAS, has been selected for US and International Apache AH-64D helicopters. HIDAS utilises multi-spectral sensors and pre-loaded intelligence to produce a comprehensive tactical picture of the operating environment. The system offers improved self-protection by rapidly identifying hostile weapon systems and initiating appropriate tactics and countermeasures. Variations of this system have been used to develop self protection systems for British CH-47D Chinook Helicopters and the recent upgrade programme for 28 of the Royal Air Force's fleet of Puma Mk1 helicopters.

In the maritime awareness domain, potential MPA programmes are of particular interest to SELEX Galileo. The Company can offer solutions ranging from its EO turrets, which integrate the leading ERICA Plus camera and radar, up to the complete mission system ATOS (Airborne Tactical and Observation System).

The ATOS is a best seller in the surveillance market counting more than 40 systems sold in the last 10 years to eight different customers.

The Company's Radar technology includes AESA (Active Electronically Scanned Array) which comprises a family of surveillance radars for large platforms (the Seaspray E range), and lightweight and compact solutions for UAS and helicopters such as PicoSAR.

The Company's excellence in sensors fusion technology is brought to bear in the new system PicoSTAR, combining Radar and E/O in a single package.

Thanks to its leading position within the Eurofighter Typhoon and Tornado simulation programmes, the Company is now looking at expanding its simulation and training business together with its through life capability management offer.

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