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Saab signs contract with Ireland for RBS 70 upgrade

Defence and security company Saab has signed a contract with the Irish Defence Forces to provide upgrades to Ireland's RBS 70 air defence missile systems. The order has a value of approximately SEK 40 million and includes deliveries of improved firing units, new simulators, night vision equipment and associated weapons support.

Ireland has requested updates to its RBS 70 systems. This recently-signed contract provides for new operator training simulators, upgraded fire units to support the BORC night-capable sight and the latest Bolide missile, new external power supplies plus a four-year support agreement. The Irish order underlines the continuous enhancement of RBS 70 system capabilities.

"This order is very important because it demonstrates the reliability of the RBS 70 system. It is a modern and reliable system which also has a long lifespan. For the customers it is a great advantage that the system can be upgraded for future use," says Rickard Svensson, Director Marketing and Sales, Saab´s Market Area Western Europe.

Deliveries will be made during 2015.

The Saab portfolio of short-range ground-based air defence missile systems includes the RBS 70 and the further enhanced RBS 70 NG. With the RBS 70 family, Saab offers state-of-the art systems for demanding customers investing in the future. The RBS 70 system has an impressive track-record in the market with more than 1,600 launchers and over 17,000 missiles delivered to 19 countries.

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