

Leonardo signs contract to supply daylight optics for Bundeswehr assault rifles

- **Leonardo will equip German Armed Forces' assault rifles with the latest generation ELCAN Specter® DR 1-4x optics**
- **With first deliveries to take place in the third quarter of 2021, the Bundeswehr will join a number of NATO countries which already have these systems successfully in service**
- **The new agreement reinforces Leonardo's technologies role as a key enabler of battlefield digitalization for Germany and NATO**

Rome, 13 October 2021 - Leonardo, through its subsidiary Leonardo Germany GmbH, has signed a framework agreement with the German Federal Office of Bundeswehr Equipment, Information Technology and In-Service Support (BAAINBw) for the supply of up to 107,929 daylight optics for use on both current and new Bundeswehr assault rifles.

Leonardo will deliver ELCAN Specter® DR 1-4x sights adapted to the requirements of the Bundeswehr. The specific adaptations refer to a modified reticle and a housing with an integrated Picatinny rail. The most important design change is the ability to operate the switching mechanism from 1x to 4x magnification on both sides of the new sight for assault rifles, while retaining the compact design and robustness of the optic.

First deliveries of the sight will take place in the third quarter of 2021.

Leonardo is pleased to equip and support the German Armed Forces with the ELCAN Specter® DR 1-4 x daylight optics, which are already successfully in service with various NATO nations. For the German subsidiary, the recently signed agreement with the Bundeswehr represents an important push for its soldier systems sector. The product portfolio for this business unit includes innovative laser systems, night vision and thermal imaging technology, which are already being used by military and special forces in Germany and NATO.

The new daylight optics for the Bundeswehr, the ELCAN Specter® DR 1-4x, represents a vital component of an entire optronic system for infantry missions.

About Leonardo Germany GmbH

Leonardo Germany GmbH focuses on business activities in the areas of meteorology and homeland security and supports Leonardo's global business activities in the Aerospace, Defense and Security sectors. The German company provides meteorological systems and solutions to customers worldwide as well as military air surveillance and precision approach radars to German Defense customers. The Defense and Security sectors' product portfolio is enhanced by radio-based communication systems, shelter integration, electro optics from thermal to image intensifiers, and optical system and solutions for critical infrastructure protection and security, complemented by pertinent software, services and solutions.

Leonardo, a global high-technology company, is among the top world players in Aerospace, Defence and Security and Italy's main industrial company. Organized into five business divisions, Leonardo has a significant industrial presence in Italy, the United Kingdom, Poland and the USA, where it also operates through subsidiaries that include Leonardo DRS (defense electronics), and joint ventures and partnerships: ATR, MBDA, Telespazio, Thales Alenia Space and Avio. Leonardo competes in the most important international markets by leveraging its areas of technological and product leadership (Helicopters, Aircraft, Aerostructures, Electronics, Cyber Security and Space). Listed on the Milan Stock Exchange (LDO), in 2020 Leonardo recorded consolidated revenues of €13.4 billion and invested €1.6 billion in Research and Development. The company has been part of the Dow Jones Sustainability Index (DJSI) since 2010 and has been named as sustainability global leader in the Aerospace & Defence sector for the second year in a row of DJSI in 2020.