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KNDS and **Elbit Systems** sign **Teaming Agreement for Future Rocket Artillery System EuroPULS**

Munich, 14 September 2023 – KNDS, the European leader in land defense, and Elbit Systems have today signed a teaming agreement to address the growing needs for precision rocket artillery capabilities in Europe as well as NATO nations. The ceremony took place between representatives of KNDS and of Elbit Systems at the DSEI exhibition in London. The agreement formalizes and implements their strategic cooperation for the next generation rocket artillery system, known as EuroPULS.

EuroPULS synergetically combines capabilities from KNDS as a systems house with those of the technology group Elbit Systems. It will form the basis for a modularly scalable and flexible artillery system that can be integrated to fire from any mobility platform with pinpoint accuracy and safety. The open EuroPULS concept does not exclude any provider of respective missiles from cooperation enabling EuroPULS users to employ those.

The transformation of the established Elbit PULS artillery rocket system into the flexible EuroPULS system is being carried out using the unique European capabilities of lead system integrator KNDS. Key success factors for transformation are KNDS's modular fire control system and the modular architecture of the Elbit's launcher. Moreover, the EuroPULS system will provide capabilities to fire the full spectrum of Elbit's precison guided and training rocket artillery munitions from any mobility platform.

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KNDS is the result of the association of Krauss-Maffei Wegmann and Nexter, two of the leading European manufacturers of military land systems based in Germany and France.

KNDS forms a Group of around 9,000 employees, with a 2022 turnover of 3.2 billion euro, an order backlog of around 11 billion euro and incoming orders of 3.4 billion euro. The range of its products includes main battle tanks, armored vehicles, artillery systems, weapons systems, ammunition, military bridges, customer services, battle management systems, training solutions, protection solutions and a wide range of equipment.

The formation of KNDS represents the beginning of consolidation in land defense systems industry in Europe. The strategic alliance between KMW and Nexter enhances both groups' competitiveness and international positions, as well as their ability to meet the needs of their respective national army. In addition, it offers to its European and NATO customers the opportunity of increased standardization and interoperability for their defense equipment, with a dependable industrial base.

KNDS headquarters are based in Amsterdam.

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