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Multimillion-euro order: Rheinmetall to modernize air defence system of an international customer

An international customer has awarded Rheinmetall a multimillion-euro order to modernize its Skyguard air defence systems. The order is worth €390 million. Delivery will take place between 2017 and 2020.

A key element of the modernization programme consists of equipping the missile/gun air defence systems with advanced radar technology. The customer country's air defence corps will thus have at its disposal the most advanced version of the tried-and-tested Skyguard system, which is designed to engage aerial targets at medium to very short ranges.

Besides a new search radar, the Skyguard systems will be outfitted (among other things) with a new target tracking radar, a latest-generation friend-foe identification system as well as cutting-edge electronic warfare components. The missile launcher will be upgraded with a new state-of-the-art electronic pod, which will enhance the system's missile capability. Furthermore, logistical support will also be improved.

Just awarded, the contract underscores on the one hand the importance of the Skyguard system in high-performance air defence networks, and on the other the high regard enjoyed by Rheinmetall as a centre of excellence for ultramodern air defence solutions.

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