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**Follow up contract:  
Royal Danish Navy orders Rheinmetall's Millennium gun**

The Danish procurement authorities have contracted with the Düsseldorf-based Rheinmetall Group to supply additional 35mm Oerlikon Millennium guns for ships of the Royal Danish Navy. The order, which also includes spare parts and technical services, is worth around €20 million. The guns will be shipped in 2016.

The Rheinmetall Group won an initial order from Denmark for the Oerlikon Millennium gun back in 2005. Now official, this follow up order is of great importance with regard to international sales, reflecting strong customer satisfaction with existing systems and their performance over the past decade.

Two types of Danish ships will therefore soon be equipped with the Millennium gun, one of the most effective and versatile naval weapon systems anywhere.

Thanks to the flexible ISO Mount installation concept, the guns can be installed on any of the *Absalon* class or the new *Iver Huitfeldt*-class frigate. The guns will be managed by SaabTech CEROS fire control systems and Terma command and control technology.

Teamed with Rheinmetall's high-performance 35mm Ahead airburst ammunition, the Millennium gun gives the Danish Navy a close-range self-defence capability for protecting high-value assets that is second to none. A multipurpose weapon system, it is also capable of neutralizing asymmetric and symmetric threats alike, whether on the surface or in the air.

Besides Denmark, five other NATO nations use Rheinmetall's programmable 35mm Ahead airburst ammunition which, when combined with the Millennium Revolver Gun 35/1000, results in massive yet flexible firepower that can be scaled to match a wide variety of operational scenarios.

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