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Rheinmetall and ICEYE cooperate to provide Ukraine with satellite imagery on behalf of the German government

The strengthened cooperation between Rheinmetall and SAR satellite company ICEYE, announced in September 2024, is already bearing fruit. To meet Ukraine's urgent demands for SAR satellite reconnaissance capabilities, Rheinmetall and Ukraine, supported by the German government, signed a contract. The agreement further increases the SAR data and other support Ukraine has been receiving from ICEYE during the war.

Since early October 2024, Ukraine receives new satellite images taken by ICEYE's SAR (Synthetic Aperture Radar) satellites, under the collaboration between

Rheinmetall and ICEYE. This provision will supplement further reconnaissance data obtained by other sensors and provide the basis for decision-making and operational planning by the Ukrainian armed forces. The collaboration includes dedicated satellite capacity and constellation access, which allows the capacity of the entire ICEYE



satellite fleet to be utilized. Since 2018, ICEYE has launched 38 satellites for ICEYE's and its customers' use.

SAR satellites offer the advantage over conventional satellites that they can generate high-resolution images regardless of weather conditions or time of day. These are very detailed and make even the smallest objects on the earth's surface identifiable. This can bring decisive advantages for the armed forces in terms of surveillance, target acquisition, reconnaissance or their own positioning on the battlefield.

In June 2024, the Düsseldorf-based technology group announced its participation in the world's largest fleet of radar reconnaissance satellites. In September 2024, Rheinmetall and ICEYE had further intensified their cooperation. In the course of this, Rheinmetall had secured exclusive rights to market the SAR (Synthetic Aperture Radar) satellites to military and government end users in both the German and Hungarian markets.

► Key facts

- Rheinmetall and ICEYE to supply Ukraine with satellite imagery
- Funded by the German Ministry of Defence
- Participation in the world's largest fleet of SAR satellites announced in June 2024

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ICEYE has been working closely with the Ministry of Defence of Ukraine to support and help Ukraine in building space defence capabilities. In August 2022 ICEYE announced a contract with the Serhiy Prytula Charity Foundation to provide the Government of Ukraine with ICEYE's SAR satellite imaging capabilities with one of ICEYE's SAR satellites designated for the Government of Ukraine's use over the region. ICEYE also provides access to its constellation of SAR satellites, allowing the Ukrainian Armed Forces to receive radar satellite imagery on critical locations. In July 2024, ICEYE and the Ministry of Defence of Ukraine signed a Memorandum of Cooperation outlining partnering to strengthen Ukraine's space defence capabilities.