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Rheinmetall taking part in EU project for sustainable forward operating bases

Rheinmetall is participating in the INDY project, a part of the EU Green Deal. The project is supported by the European Defence Fund. INDY stands for Energy **I**ndependent and **E**fficient **D**eployable **M**ilitary **C**amps. The aim is to present EU member states with options for efficient operation of energy systems in forward operating bases.

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Today, forward operating bases are almost entirely dependent on fossil fuels. However, new technological approaches can remedy this situation. The results of the INDY study are to provide a basis for the development and use of new energy sources; the control of resources; and optimization of requirements of forward operating bases by the end of 2024.

Rheinmetall is part of an international project team from 13 European countries. The team is pooling expertise with the objective of achieving independence from fossil fuels, drawing on military and civilian EU projects as well as national projects of the member states.

Rheinmetall aims not only to make a direct contribution to improved energy security in military operations, but also to support the energy transition and the shift to renewable energy sources for forward operating bases.

Responsible for developing mobile deployable mission solutions since 2019, Rheinmetall Project Solutions GmbH brings together the Group's full range of resources and capabilities for mission support. The company also seeks to provide customers with long-term support for their missions through specific services.

Dr Deniz Akitürk, managing director of Rheinmetall Project Solutions GmbH, is proud to be involved in this project: "A significant improvement in energy ratios can also be achieved for military operations. Optimizing energy efficiency during deployed operations places special demands on technology. We look forward to using our skills and experience to support our customers' sustainability goals."

► Key facts

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