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Selex ES presents newly unified Selex ES do Brazil at LAAD 2013

Today at LAAD, Selex ES, a Finmeccanica company, announced its newly united subsidiary 'Selex ES do Brazil'. The subsidiary has been established to support the aspirations of Brazil to expand industrial capability in high technology areas such as security and defence with the aim of creating independent national support capability, technology transfer and reduced reliance on external suppliers.

With a comprehensive offer in terms of architectures, systems, products, solutions and support in the fields of defence and security, Selex ES intends to play a major role into the development of the fabric of the Brazilian industry. The Brazilian company will have a major role in sustaining partnerships with local companies and enhancing the transfer of technology to Brazilian partners, in line with the Selex ES internationalisation strategy.

Selex ES do Brazil's offices are located in Rio de Janeiro, where over 90% are Brazilian nationals employed as engineers and technicians who support production and maintenance activities at all levels, and where the Company has made a multi-million Euro investment in setting up a I and D level repair centre in country.

The company will continue to support all its customers by providing local support and resolution of all matters associated with programmes being acquired by the Brazilian armed forces, including complex technological systems such as radar, communications, command and control and cyber security.

Selex ES do Brazil facilities include Technological and Maintenance Centres for the support of complex systems, including those in service with the Brazilian Navy.

The operational and maintenance support centre itself comprises three main facilities, an area which is dedicated to integration and test, another for maintenance activities and finally a dedicated training facility for advanced learning and development programs. In particular, one part of the training facility offers e-learning training, while another is set up as a multimedia room and has been designed with augmented and virtual reality technologies as a support to maintenance and operational training.

Selex ES in Brazil

Selex ES has been in the Country since the 1970's when it was firstly awarded a contract by the Brazilian Air Force for Air Traffic Control radars. Since then the company has operated with the Armed Forces and Government institutions to provide the most advanced technology solutions. As an example Selex ES is present in all important platforms of the Brazilian Air Force such as the AMX, F-5, KC-390, P95 and Lynx, with over 140 airborne fire control and surveillance radars (M-scan and AESA, as well) in service in the Country.

The company has also been working with the Brazilian Navy for the modernisation of the Niteroi class frigates and Barroso corvette. The company has worked with the Brazilian Army for the Sistac (Sistema Tatico de Comunicacoes) program, which features the use of the Tetra system (Tetratac), an integrated digital network able to provide voice and data services by maintaining an interface with external nets and conventional radios. It represents a very important step towards the Networked capabilities of the Brazilian Army.

In addition to a substantial portfolio of capabilities and solutions within the Security and Defence areas Selex ES also offers similar highly advanced solutions in the commercial sector including integrated airports, critical infrastructures protection and management, communication networks and systems for "Smart cities".

Selex ES is as well active in pursuing all major Brazilian Security programs like SISFRON, PROTEGER and SIGAAZ and defence programs like PROSUPER and FX2.

Selex ES is proud to have been associated with Brazilian Armed Forces capability development over the last 30 years and of the related Brazilian industrial partnerships that have been established. The company believes that the creation of Selex ES do Brazil, with its facilities in Rio, will enable Selex ES to further support both Brazilian Armed forces and industrial capability development for the next 30 years and beyond.