

## **Contracts worth 140 million Euro for helicopters of Finmeccanica-AgustaWestland announced at Helitech International Show**

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- **Totally eleven AW139 and AW169 helicopters have been ordered by European and Asian customers of which eight ordered by the Royal Thai Army**
- **Over 1,000 AW139 and AW169 helicopters sold on the world market to date**

**Rome, 7 October 2015.** New contracts worth a total of 140 million Euro for Finmeccanica-AgustaWestland helicopters. During the Helitech International Show held in London, the company announced orders for the AW139 and AW169 new-generation helicopter models, by both commercial and Governmental European and Asian customers for a total amount of eleven.

Among the operators to mention which have chosen the AgustaWestland's new-generation helicopters is the Royal Thai Army, that will use eight AW139s for transport and utility services in addition to the two currently in service and the company Heliservices International GmbH which will use its new AW169 for offshore activities in the North Sea.

The helicopters ordered will be used for the implementation of a variety of missions, like passengers transport, law enforcement and offshore transport; and the entry into service of these machines, specifically ten AW139s and one AW169, is planned to take place between the end of 2015 and the end of 2016.

The AW139 and AW169 helicopters, thanks to great performances, cutting-edge technology and operating flexibility, have reached a unique success in their respective categories (intermediate for the world class leading AW139 and light intermediate for the recently certified AW169), obtaining a total of over 1,000 orders signed to date on the world market. The AW139 is the best selling helicopter in its category, with over nine hundred ordered, while the AW169 is the first new-generation helicopter in its category that has been launched on the market in the last thirty years presenting cutting-edge technological solutions in equipment, rotors, re-configuration capability for each mission, emissions reduction and safety standards.

### **NOTE TO EDITORS:**

The Finmeccanica-AgustaWestland's family of new-generation helicopters, including the AW139, AW169 and AW189 versions, is based on joint criteria aimed at optimising the management of mixed fleets and at maximising the operating flexibility, with unprecedented advantages on the world market as regards costs' reduction. The three versions in fact share the same design philosophy, the most recent certification and safety standards, many components and a same approach to maintenance and training.

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