

## Photonis exclusive supplier of image intensifier tubes in French Army Weapon new acquisition program

Bordeaux, France 10.01.2020, Photonis Technologies has been appointed as the exclusive image intensifier tube supplier of the TIGRIS Clip-On Weapon Sight for the FPSA (Fusil de Précision Semi-Automatique) program by the DGA, a program that will replace precision weapons in service since 1980s. Through this program Photonis will supply its high end 4G image intensifier tubes to be used in approximately 1,800 Clip-On Weapon Sights.

The French DGA (Direction Générale de l'Armement) has awarded OIP Sensors Systems, Belgium and its co-contractor Telefunken-Racoms, Germany, a contract to deliver approximately 2620 FN Herstal SCAR® H-PR rifles, ammunitions and day and night optronic equipment. Photonis will supply a high performance 4G image intensifier tube for the TIGRIS COWS while DEVICE ALAB, France will supply the thermal core camera of the thermal version of the TIGRIS COWS.

Deliveries are expected to begin in early 2020 and after a qualification phase to be completed by 2022. To enable the French Armed Forces to operate in all night conditions the DGA appointed Photonis to supply its 4G image intensifier tubes for clip-on weapon sights suited for the FPSAs. The 4G standard that will be used is the latest technology in intensified night vision and is specifically designed to address the stringent requirements of special forces operators.

Only 4G can offer ultra-fast Auto-Gating, the smallest halo and unrivalled spectral range from ultraviolet to near infrared. 4G provides an edge over adversaries in the darkest nights, in all terrain and operations and operators can gain from the best DRI range possible specially required for sniper rifles. "As a French company, Photonis is extremely proud to serve and deliver its best technology to the French Armed Forces. We are honored that the DGA chose 4G image intensifier tubes for their system as this will enable the military to have the best view during all night conditions," said Frederic Guilhem, Executive Commercial Officer Night Vision at Photonis.

Photonis' headquarters are based in Bordeaux in France and its manufacturing facilities are located both in France and The Netherlands. Photonis employs approximately 1,000 people worldwide and is world renowned for its high performance image intensification technology. Photonis is prime contractor for NATO countries and affiliates and its image intensifier tubes are deployed worldwide.

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