



Fraport awards Thales with a 5 year service contract for A-SMGCS System at Frankfurt am Main Airport

Farnborough International Airshow, July 14th 2008 – Fraport, the Frankfurt am Main international airport operator, and Thales have signed a data supply and technical operations contract for an upgraded Thales A-SMGCS¹ system. Thales ATM GmbH will provide a comprehensive 5 year through life support, including technical and support services on both hardware and software from its Customer Support Centre close to Frankfurt Airport (Germany).

Fraport ground traffic controllers benefit from a unique combination of the most advanced A-SMGCS functionalities for ground control, enhancing Fraport's ability to fulfil its mission with safety and operational efficiency, while coping with soaring traffic volumes in the airport area. The system ensures unprecedented levels of safety, improves reliability, promotes green approaches through shorter routing, and reduce the time and costs of operations.

Paul Kahn, Vice President and Managing Director of Thales's Navigation and Airport Solutions business, stated: "Thales is honoured that Fraport is renewing its confidence in the Group with the award of the most significant A-SMGCS system service contract in recent times. A-SMGCS is a major integration of the world's most advanced ATM functionalities, leveraging Thales's major R&D investments in next generation systems. Thales is pleased to ensure the continuation of Fraport's impeccable safety record and reputation for service excellence".

Note to the editor

¹A-SMGCS = Advanced-Surface Movement, Ground Control and Surveillance

About Thales

Thales is a leading international electronics and systems group, addressing defence, aerospace and security markets worldwide. Thales's leading-edge technology is supported by 22,000 R&D engineers who offer a capability unmatched in Europe to develop and deploy field-proven mission-critical information systems. To this end, the group's civil and military businesses develop in parallel and share a common base of technologies to serve a single objective: the security of people, property and nations. The group builds its growth on its unique multi-domestic strategy based on trusted partnerships with national customers and market players, while leveraging its global expertise to support local technology and

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