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SELEX Galileo's EOST Electro-optical sensor performs its first flight on board the Sky-Y unmanned system

The EOST electro-optic system, developed by SELEX Galileo, has been tested for the first time on board the Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) Sky-Y, produced by, fellow Finmeccanica Company, Alenia Aeronautica.

During the flight campaign, at the Vidsel test range in Sweden, EOST was proven to be a robust and reliable sensor.

EOST is one of SELEX Galileo's electro-optical products developed for airborne application. It is already in use on board various rotary and fixed wing platforms on the international and domestic markets.

SELEX Galileo has recently introduced the EOST-46 family of giro stabilized multi-sensor turrets for surveillance and tracking. EOST-46 can fit a range of EO payloads, including eye safe laser range finder, laser illuminator, TV camera, and the ERICA Plus Thermal imager operating in the medium wavelength spectrum (3÷5μ or 8÷12μ).

The EOST electro-optical sensors are currently in use on board Alenia Aeronautica's ATR42 maritime patrol aircraft, Piaggio P166 and on AgustaWestland rotary wing platforms AW101, AW109 and SUPER LYNX 300.

The EOST solutions planned by SELEX Galileo have been encouraged by growing market appraisal.

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