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## **Galileo Avionica at IDEF 2007**

Galileo Avionica, a Finmeccanica Company, is committed to strengthening its cooperation and presence in Turkey. At IDEF, the company will be exhibiting on the Finmeccanica stand, presenting its expertise in surveillance, protection, tracking, targeting, navigation and control for land sea air platforms.

Galileo Avionica presence in Turkey dates back to the Seventies when the company first started its collaboration with the Turkish Marine for OGR7 programme. For the OGR7, the Electro-optic Business Unit of Galileo continues to supply servicing and upgrading components. In 2006, Galileo Avionica was awarded with an important contract to supply, through GEM Electronics, the Turkish Marine with over 20 radar systems for navigation SPN 730-LPI Shipborne Navigation Radar with Low Probability of Interception, spare parts, servicing and assistance to the naval units of the Turkish Marine.

Today numerous industrial opportunities are opening up, a number of which are of great interest to Galileo Avionica and to other Finmeccanica companies: the ATAK2 programme to supply Attack Helicopters to the Turkish Air force (a large collaboration with local industry is foreseen); the Rapcon programme for Radar Approach Control System where Galileo Avionica can offer leading edge technologies adopted world - wide; Naval programmes such as the MILGEM Corvettes where Galileo Avionica is present with the LPI Radar SPN 730; the TF2000 Frigates where Finmeccanica is proposing a wide range of Radars, Missiles, Torpedoes, Electronic Warfare, Communication Systems and Firing.

Another very important opportunity is the IBM Integrated Border Management programme for Home Land Security, partially funded by the EU. In this framework, Galileo Avionica aims to play a key role as solution provider in advanced Surveillance Systems and Sensors.

Galileo Avionica - leader in Surveillance with the innovative and flexible System ATOS (Airborne Tactical Observation Surveillance System) - is looking with growing interest to emerging requirements which could demand for the Company FALCO UAV System and for Galileo Avionica wide range of payloads, going from Electro-optical sensors to a new and very performing Radar. **(For further details on the products displayed at IDEF, see the press note attached).**

Galileo Avionica is part of Selex Sensors and Airborne Systems (S&AS), second European player in the Electronic for Defence Sector, which operates in the UK with the Selex S&AS Ltd and in Italy with the Galileo Avionica.

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