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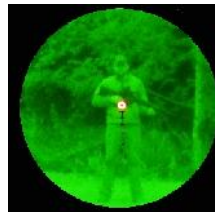
Qioptiq selected to supply Land 125 project

KITE In-Line chosen for the Austeyr F88 rifle

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Qioptiq, an Excelitas technologies company, has secured a significant multi-million pound (£) contract for the supply of KITE In-Line Weapon Sights and maintenance items to the Commonwealth of Australia Department of Defence in support of the Australia Defence Forces (ADF) LAND125 3C project.

The LAND125 3C project is concerned with equipping Australian soldiers with a new Austeyr F88 rifle and rifle accessories. The rifle accessories include the most advanced sighting systems that improve the soldier's effectiveness during night-time close combat military operations.



Dave W Evans, Head of Export Sales, Land Business Group, said "It's a real privilege to have the opportunity to again supply our weapon sights to the Australia Defence Forces, particularly knowing that their robust testing regime and procurement processes allow only a selection of the best equipment from reputable suppliers world-wide. It's also pleasing to see that our KITE family of weapon sights continues to attract a positive reputation for performance and reliability. This success with the Australia Defence Forces, a highly respected military user, will hopefully allow us to increase our sales to this region. The team at Qioptiq have always been confident that our KITE In-Line product is world-class and the best available, the selection by the Australia Defence Forces now confirms this. We're very happy with this award and our focus is now directed towards making sure that this special customer remains satisfied with the product and our performance."



Qioptiq Managing Director (St. Asaph), Steve Shaw commented, "We should take pride in the fact that to win this business, we have developed world-class products and are delighted to have been chosen by the ADF to supply equipment of this type. This is a major success for Qioptiq and demonstrates that our capability in terms of product development, manufacture and supply is outstanding. We look forward to building on this success and securing further business in Australia and in the surrounding countries."

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About KITE In-Line Weapon Sight:

KITE In-Line is a compact night sighting system that's mounted on a weapon in front of a magnified day sight. KITE In-Line uses image intensification technology to amplify the small amount of light energy available at night time, to present the soldier with a clear bright image of the night scene. It's possible to see a person at distances beyond 1,000m in night time conditions where the naked eye would struggle to see very short distances. This capability allows the soldier the ability to observe and engage any threats, providing the soldier with additional protection against an enemy using a lesser performing night sighting system.

About Qioptiq:

Qioptiq, an Excelitas Technologies Company, designs and manufactures photonic products and solutions that serve a wide range of markets and applications in the areas of medical and life sciences, industrial manufacturing, defense and aerospace, and research and development.

Qioptiq benefits from having integrated the knowledge and experience of Avimo, Gsänger, LINOS, Optem, Pilkington, Point Source, Rodenstock, Spindler & Hoyer and others. In October 2013, Qioptiq was acquired by Excelitas Technologies Corp., a global technology leader focused on delivering innovative, customized solutions to meet the lighting, detection and other high-performance technology needs of OEM customers.

The combined companies have approximately 5,300 employees in North America, Europe and Asia, serving customers across the world. Visit www.qioptiq.com and www.excelitas.com for more information.

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