

Saab to Display Lightweight Torpedo, Unveil Antiship Missile System at Euronaval

STOCKHOLM – Saab's Lightweight Torpedo (SLWT) will be displayed during the Euronaval exhibition, Paris, on Oct. 23-26, the company said in an Oct. 17 release. The company also will unveil the surface-launch version of RBS15 Gungnir, the next generation antiship missile system, at Euronaval,

The SLWT is one of the most advanced and sophisticated torpedoes on the market and has been ordered by Sweden and Finland. Saab is now pursuing additional customers on the export market, with Euronaval being an ideal opportunity to do so. The development of SLWT is with the Baltic Sea in mind, which is a marine environment with the most challenging factors for littoral antisubmarine warfare. The SLWT is a highly effective weapon for both blue water and shallow water environments around the world.

"The SLWT project is going very well. We are in the process of finalizing the second demonstration torpedo with all the features as in the final product. We are bringing key advances in torpedo technology to SLWT, which translates into endurance, accuracy and complete control," said Stefan Sjögren, program director, Lightweight Torpedoes, at Saab.

SLWT with its state-of-the-art design incorporates a fully digital homing system, offers fire-and-forget and wire-guided operation, and adapts to difficult hydroacoustic conditions. It can be launched from multiple platforms, including surface ships, helicopters, aircrafts or submarines, ensuring your success in any environment.

The surface-launch version of RBS15 Gungnir uses the all new RBS15 Mk4 surface missile. This provides greater range,

enhanced defense penetration and electronic protection, as well as a more advanced target seeker, allowing it to engage any target, in all conditions.

The RBS15 Mk4 surface missile is used in both the sea system and the land system of RBS15 Gungnir. It is designed to provide commonality through easy integration on both land- and sea-based platforms of almost any size. The system is fully backwards compatible, so an investment in Mk3 today opens a smooth path to transition into Gungnir tomorrow.

“With the RBS15 Gungnir we continue to build on the success and knowledge we have gained from the previous generations of RBS15,” said Görgen Johansson, senior vice president and head of Saab business area Dynamics. “The surface-launch version is a highly flexible missile system that can be integrated with existing command networks and on a wide range of the ships available on the market today.”

The development and production program was contracted in March 2017 with the Swedish Defence Material Administration. The RBS15 missile family is jointly produced by Saab and Diehl Defence GmbH & Co. KG and serves with various navies, coastal batteries and air forces from Sweden, Finland, Germany, Poland, Croatia, Thailand and an undisclosed country.