



ALPHA MOS SIGNS IMPORTANT CONTRACT IN DEFENCE SECTOR

Toulouse, 28th October 2009 - Alpha M.O.S., world leader in the manufacture of electronic noses and tongues for industrial applications, announces the signature of a defence contract worth 1128 M€.

This contract forms part of the vast study-project launched by the DGA (French Ministry of Defence) code-named PERSEIDES. This programme aims at developing a high-speed, ultra-sensitive device capable of detecting chemical and biological agents. These instruments will combine several analytical technologies in which Alpha Mos is a specialist, including gas chromatography, data processing and computer-related mass spectrometry.

The consortium created and placed under the supervision of Thales Security Solutions and Services has demonstrated that, up against world leaders in their national and international domains, the quality of its chosen partners and their technologies offers the best possible means of obtaining the level of performance required by the DGA.

After a preliminary six month conception and study phase, the results obtained have led to the confirmation of the following stage.

This project spans over 30 months and will enable Alpha MOS to apply its know-how in the military and security domains, with significant spin-off in civil applications also.

The confirmation of a further stage is expected for the first half of 2010. The budget is for a similar amount as the current phase and is designed to develop a second generation of analyser.

Jean-Christophe MIFSUD, CEO and founder of Alpha M.O.S., made the following statement : «We are extremely happy with this new success which underlines our company's technological advance, and the scope of its applications. We will place this project at the core of our priorities as the potential commercial fall-out is very important both in France and abroad».

About Alpha M.O.S.

Alpha MOS, which was founded by Jean Christophe MIFSUD in 1993, specializes in the digitalisation of odours and tastes. It is the market leader in the manufacture of electronic noses and tongues for industrial applications with over 800 systems sold worldwide.

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