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DSTA PARTNERS SAFRAN ON SMART TECHNOLOGIES AND TALENT DEVELOPMENT

Singapore's Defence Science and Technology Agency (DSTA) and France's Safran Electronics & Defense have entered into a collaboration to leverage smart technologies and nurture local talent.

Following the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on the sidelines of the Singapore Defence Technology Summit¹ 2023, DSTA and Safran Electronics & Defense will collaborate on efforts to ensure improved performance, availability and sustainability of their platforms operated by the Singapore Armed Forces (SAF).

The MOU will also pave the way for both organisations to explore smart technologies such as computer vision for defence applications, through the sharing of R&D outcomes and long-term capability roadmaps, as well as potential integration into existing or new systems operated by the SAF.

In addition, the partnership will further strengthen the set-up of local technical support and talent development initiatives including internship opportunities, as well as knowledge sharing courses.

"This partnership with Safran Electronics & Defense will see the strengthening of local technical support, which in turn, help enhance the availability and sustainability of their

¹ Hosted by DSTA, the Singapore Defence Technology Summit is a unique gathering of global tech leaders from government, industry, academia, and think tanks, to network, confer, and collaborate in the development of defence and security capabilities. Visit <u>https://www.techsummit.sg</u> for more details.

systems operated by the Singapore Armed Forces. It will also place focus on strengthening efforts and accelerate the application of smart technologies such as computer vision to our defence systems. As a technology organisation, innovation sits at the heart of everything in DSTA. Growing our knowledge with some of the best minds in the industry will inspire us to constantly innovate and improve our defence systems to give the SAF the technological edge," said Mr Roy Chan, DSTA's Deputy Chief Executive (Operations).

"This memorandum of understanding between DSTA and Safran Electronics & Defense sets a strong and long-term collaboration, offering sovereignty solutions to the armed forces with new-generation of equipment and systems", added Frédéric Mazzanti, Defense Division Director of Safran Electronics & Defense.

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About Defence Science and Technology Agency

The Defence Science and Technology Agency (DSTA) is a top-notch technology organisation that drives innovation and delivers state-of-the-art capabilities to make the Singapore Armed Forces a formidable fighting force. Harnessing and exploiting science and technology, our engineers and IT professionals leverage multidisciplinary expertise to equip our soldiers with advanced systems to defend Singapore. DSTA also contributes its technological expertise to support national-level developments. To achieve our mission, DSTA excels in systems engineering, digitalised platforms, cyber, software development and more.

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About Safran

Safran is an international high-technology group operating in the aviation (propulsion, equipment and interiors), defense and space markets. Its core purpose is to contribute to a safer, more sustainable world, where air transport is more environmentally friendly, comfortable and accessible. Safran has a global presence, with 83,000 employees and sales of 19.0 billion euros in 2022, and holds, alone or in partnership, world or regional leadership positions in its core markets. Safran is listed on the Euronext Paris stock exchange and is part of the CAC 40 and Euro Stoxx 50 indices.

Safran Electronics & Defense is an international company with 10,000 employees, built on proven expertise in technologies that underpin sovereignty. By combining human and artificial intelligence, the company develops the products and services that empower aerospace and defense players to observe, decide and guide. Safran Electronics & Defense also supports fellow Safran companies by sharing its state-of-the-art electronics skills and expertise.

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