

## **Grupo Oesía and Thales ratify their collaboration agreement at Eurosatory 2024**

- **The agreement deepens the synergies between the two companies in technology development for the defence, security, aerospace, naval, digital transformation and cybersecurity sectors.**
- **The collaboration envisages the development and commercialisation of dual technologies using complementary products from both companies to compete internationally.**

**Paris, 18 th June 2024.** - Grupo Oesía, a multinational company dedicated to dual-use digital and industrial engineering, and Thales, the world leader in advanced technologies, specialised in the Defence & Security, Aeronautics & Space, and Cybersecurity & Digital Identity markets, have ratified their international collaboration and cooperation agreement that will allow both companies to reinforce their leading position and compete in the global Defence and Security industry.

The ratification took place this Tuesday 18 June in the framework of Eurosatory, the most important land defence and security exhibition in Europe, which is being held in Paris from 17 to 21 June, and was attended by Luis Furnells, Executive president of Grupo Oesía, and Pascale Sourisse, Senior Executive Vice President, International Development, Thales.

The agreement covers part of the portfolio of products and services of the Oesía Group and Thales and aims to enhance the solutions offered in the international market to customers of both companies in the sectors and technologies of defence, security, aeronautics, space, naval, digital transformation and cybersecurity. It will serve to promote, through the mutualisation of disruptive technologies, national sovereignty, at the service of European strategic autonomy.

Some of the collaborations already being considered include coordination in the development and commercialisation of avionics systems, space, quantum technologies, secure communications, mission systems, simulation, air defence missile systems, optronics, SATCOM and electronic warfare. The agreement also opens the way for cooperation between the two companies in the joint development of defence equipment and systems, the maintenance of military systems, as well as collaboration on digital transformation and cybersecurity initiatives.

*"This new agreement with a benchmark company such as Thales Group is closely aligned with our business strategy, based on hyper-specialisation, commitment to disruptive technologies, technological alliances with major industry leaders and internationalisation,"* said Luis Furnells, Executive chairman of Oesía Group. *"Our international alliances, such as the one we are consolidating, are based on loyal collaboration, transparency, complementarity and strengthening the competitiveness of Spanish industry, at the service of European strategic autonomy."*

Pascale Sourisse, Senior Executive Vice President, International Development, Thales, said: *"With the ratification of this agreement, we bring together our capabilities to deliver highly technological products and services in a timely manner to all our customers, while boosting the European defence industrial base and the corresponding European strategic sovereignty, which is key in today's complex environment."*

### **About Grupo Oesía**

8 Grupo Oesía is a Spanish multinational company dedicated to technological and digital engineering, which develops and executes projects in more than 40 countries.

It has 3,200 professionals in 18 corporate headquarters in Europe, Latin America and the Middle East. Throughout almost 50 years of experience, it has innovated products and services that benefit millions of people around the world, with the aim of creating a better, more efficient, safer and sustainable world.

In its commitment to hyper-specialisation, it has 5 brands, each one an expert in its area: Oesía Networks (digital transformation); Tecnobit- Oesía Group, (cutting-edge technological products and solutions in intelligent vision, simulation and tactical and secure communications); Cipherbit-Oesía Group, (cybersecurity and secure communications (encryption)); UAV Navigation-Oesía Group, (guidance, navigation and control systems for unmanned aerial vehicles); and Inster-Oesía Group, (technology for terrestrial, naval, aerial and space satellite communications).

### **About Thales**

The Thales Group (Euronext Paris: HO) is a world leader in advanced technologies specialising in three business sectors: Defence & Security, Aeronautics & Space, and Cybersecurity & Digital Identity. It develops products and solutions that contribute to a safer, greener and more inclusive world. The Group invests close to €4 billion a year in Research & Development, especially in key areas such as quantum technologies, Edge computing, 6G and cybersecurity. Thales Group employs 81,000 people in 68 countries. In 2023, the Group generated sales of more than €18.4 billion.

### **Thales in Spain**

Thales has been present in Spain for more than 40 years and employs more than 1,000 professionals, almost all of them engineers, in the aerospace, defence, digital security and cybersecurity fields, covering all Thales markets and with 13 sites distributed throughout the country. In Madrid, Thales has a global competence centre for Border&Travel, a SOC (Security Operation Center), from which the cyberthreats of customers in Southern Europe are managed. Madrid also is also home to the space competence centre through Thales Alenia Space.

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