

## Press Release

AIRBUS DEFENCE AND SPACE

### **Airbus Recognises Top-performing Defence and Space Suppliers**

Munich, 30 November 2017 – Airbus Defence and Space has recognised its best in class suppliers in an awards ceremony at its 4<sup>th</sup> annual Supplier Conference.

Awards were presented in each of the company's commodity clusters – Equipment & Systems, Structure & Materials, and Services & IT – as well as an overall innovation award selected from among the entire chain of more than 10,000 suppliers.

Carlisle Interconnect Technologies took the Best Performance in Equipment & Systems award for its outstanding delivery performance – 99% – and flexibility in commercial discussions regarding its supply of cables and connectors.

The Best Performance in Structure & Materials award went to RUAG Space for its open and pragmatic approach to the design, manufacture and qualification of sub-systems on the Metop A&B and Sentinel 1 C&D satellites.

Accenture took the Services & IT Best Performance award for its work towards the development of an Electronic Information Exchange system, specifically to support the Airbus C295 search and rescue aircraft programme for Canada.

Finally the Best Innovator Overall award was presented to Liebherr Aerospace for its strong and reliable technology-driven performance in sharing innovative solutions and aligning technology roadmaps notably in its next generation air management and cooling systems and advanced flight control and actuation systems.

Martin Weichhardt, Head of Procurement, Supply Chain and Logistics at Airbus Defence and Space, said: “At Airbus we are acutely aware of the contribution of our suppliers to our global success and it is an absolute pleasure to recognise our top performers publicly.”

#### **About Airbus**

Airbus is a global leader in aeronautics, space and related services. In 2016 it generated revenues of €67 billion and employed a workforce of around 134,000. Airbus offers the most comprehensive range of passenger airliners from 100 to more than 600 seats and business aviation products. Airbus is also a European leader providing tanker, combat, transport and mission aircraft, as well as one of the world's leading space companies. In helicopters, Airbus provides the most efficient civil and military rotorcraft solutions worldwide.

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