

PRESS RELEASE

The National Security Shield Project will host Qatar's Largest Maritime Security Conference for the second year in October 2014

The Qatar National Security Shield (NSS) and Defense Services Marketing Council (DSMC) announced today the signing of an agreement to hold the very successful annual Qatar Maritime Security - Maritime Reconnaissance and Surveillance Conference (QMARSEC) in October 2014.

Doha, Qatar – March 26, 2014 – The 2nd Annual QMARSEC conference will take place on October 20 - 21, 2014 in Doha, Qatar under the theme “Maritime Domain Awareness The Steps To Maritime Security.”

With the official support of the Qatar Ministry of Interior (MOI) and the Qatar Armed Forces (QAF), QMARSEC has become a not-to-be-missed opportunity for the defense, space and security industry, maritime experts and regional operations commanders. QMARSEC is held each year to discuss in detail the diverse maritime security issues over a two-day conference.

Staff Brigadier (Pilot) Mohammed A. AL-Mannai, Director, Qatar National Security Shield Project stated “I am proud to Chair the QMARSEC planning committee to deliver the topics, themes and issues that matter to active duty operations commanders. Industry delegates learn how they can benefit by debating their company's best solutions to resolve maritime security threats. This year we will include specific topics that are part of Maritime Domain Awareness, to include unmanned systems and the roll of UAVs in maritime security, as well as fast patrol crafts and high speed interdiction missions.”

“We are honored that QMARSEC is now Qatar's largest maritime security conference. DSMC works to make sure that QMARSEC isn't just another event organizer conference, but delivers on the objective to serve as an incubator of partnership and growth for the defense, space and security industry. We remain committed to this goal, not just once a year, but on an ongoing basis.” states Matthew Cochran, Chairman of Defense Services Marketing Council.

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ABOUT NSS:

National security is based on achieving the state's strategic and security goals, by maintaining a safe environment for economic resources and strategic development objectives. In response to directives by H.H. the Emir, the National Security Shield Project was established to provide an integrated system with the aim of achieving a safer platform compatible with the economic, industrial and human development. Accordingly, the contract on execution and launch of the project was officially signed through the NSS Office, to supervise the execution phase, following award of the contract to Airbus Defense (formerly known as EADS Co) as a main contractor, in association with other specialized global companies which competed with international companies specialized in security and military technology.

The project component consists of constructing an integrated control and protection network to be operated through a high-tech electronic surveillance and reconnaissance stations on the State of Qatar's sea, coastal and land borders, connected to the headquarters and a multi-level control through a secured communication network, whereas information, photos and data are directly dispatched to competent centers, to be specifically built for this purpose, as well as the various training programs to qualify and train human cadres on such systems. For more information, visit <http://www.nss.gov.qa>

ABOUT DSMC:

The Defense Services Marketing Council (DSMC), established in in 2009, is an exclusive, "by invitation only" collaborative organization of business development, public relations and marketing executives who represent Defense, Space & Security related companies and service providers seeking to do business in the Middle East region. DSMC has garnered local, national, and international acclaim with its hands-on nonprofit organization marketing and offers a unique opportunity for its global partners to work with DSMC members in Defense, Space and Security companies in policy areas such as Cyber Security Networks, Offsets & Industrial Participation, Nationalization, Middle East Studies, Business Development, PR & Marketing, National Security Studies, and Total Addressable Markets Analysis (TAM) focused on increasing DSMC Members Growth. For more information, visit www.defenseservicesmarketingcouncil.com

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