

500+ Government, Military And Industry Experts From 36 Countries Set To Convene At Armoured Vehicle Conference.

LONDON, UK – 30th January 2009 - February 2nd will mark the beginning of the five day 8th Annual Light and Medium Armoured Vehicles Conference, which is being held at the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, London, UK.

Officers of up to 3 star level, VIP visitors and military influencers including international royalty, and international defence media make up the 500+ industry experts from over 200 organisations, and 36 countries which are set to convene to network and exchange ideas in a world class business environment. Fabrice Parodi, Sales Manager, O1db Medravib commented that “this is a very good opportunity for us to make a lot of contacts with the end users who express their requirements with possible partners in the industry”.

Insights and lessons learned from 50 leading military and industry experts will be providing detailed insights into the challenges being faced in theatre, potential solutions to emerging threats, lessons learned from operations and future requirements. These include exclusive briefings from 12 key nations including: the UK, Canada, France, US, Spain, Brazil, Sweden, Germany, The Netherlands, South Africa, Denmark and Norway. Brigadier General Jacques Levet, NATO commented on the 2008 event; “there has been a very wide spectrum of presentations and speakers from several countries, from government, military and industry. The technical, industrial and operational view points have been very well balanced and Lessons learned from operations has been extremely useful”.

Lieutenant Colonel Greg Burton, Canadian DND commented after last year’s event that “the conference here is a good opportunity to share procurement experience, to confirm requirements with allies and industry, and a good opportunity to network and get to know the professionals in the field”. In fact Ilan Lavie, Director, Elbit Systems remarked that “it is possibly today the most important event of its kind in the world”.

Key speakers at the 2009 event include:

- Brigadier General Salvatore Farina, Deputy Director, Battlespace Capability, Policy & Plans, Italian MOD, who will be providing insights into current operations, modernisation developments as well as Joint capability developments
- Lieutenant General Andrew Leslie, Chief of Land Staff, Canadian DND
- Major General Tim Tyler CB, Director General, Land Equipment, Defence Equipment & Support, UK MoD
- Brigadier Simon Levey, Assistant Chief of Staff, Land Equipment, HQ Land Forces, UK MoD
- Brigadier General Chris Gildenhuys, Commanding Officer, South African Armour Formation, South African Army

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