

PRESS RELEASE

KMW confirms high turnover level once again

- **Turnover of more than €1.4 billion**
- **Renewed employment creation**

Munich, April 23rd 2009. Despite the difficult market situation, Krauss-Maffei Wegmann (KMW) has maintained its level of turnover once again in 2008. It increased to over €1.4 billion [2007: 1.3 billion]. The level of orders also remains high at €2.7 billion. Over 70 percent of these relate to export orders from European, NATO and NATO-associated countries. It therefore continues to contribute towards securing the long-term success of the business.

“KMW has once again proven itself in a highly competitive environment. Our corporate structure allows a long-term, strategic market orientation, which is characterised by innovative technologies on the one hand and tried-and-tested quality products and consistent European cooperation on the other”, according to Frank Haun, Chairman of the Board of directors of KMW.

Jobs created once again

The employment levels at KMW remained stable in 2008. The overall number of employees increased slightly to 3,400 due to 200 new hires.

European network

The international positioning of KMW has contributed considerably to its previous success. As the primary contractor for leading reference products, such as the battle tank LEOPARD 2, the armoured howitzer PzH2000 or the DINGO 2, KMW possesses a broad and strong network of partnerships, co-operations and subsidiaries throughout Europe. A new German-Italian partnership with IVECO Defense Vehicles was established in 2008 for the development and joint

marketing of the six-wheel GFF4 and four-wheel VTMx. A service partnership was also established with the Polish company, Bumar Labedy, as well as a cooperation agreement with ST Kinetics in Singapore.

Further support is provided via KMW's international network with subsidiaries in Greece, the Netherlands and the United States as well as partnerships in Spain with General Dynamics Santa Barbara Systemas, in Italy with Oto Melara, in Australia with BAE Systems, in the USA with L3 Communications and in Germany with Daimler, Diehl, EADS, MAN and Rheinmetall.

The solid business foundation, based on cooperation with other companies, therefore provides an excellent basis for further European and international business success, even if aggravated market conditions can be expected in future as a result of the difficult economic climate.

Krauss-Maffei Wegmann GmbH & Co. KG leads the European market for armoured wheeled and tracked vehicles. At locations in Germany, Greece, the Netherlands and the USA, some 3400 employees manufacture and support a product portfolio ranging from air-transportable, heavily armoured wheeled vehicles (MUNGO, DINGO, GFF4 and BOXER*) through reconnaissance, anti-aircraft and artillery systems (FENNEK, GEPARD, LeFLaSys*, Armoured Howitzer 2000, AGM and DONAR) to heavy battle tanks (LEOPARD 1 and 2), armoured personnel carriers (PUMA*) and bridge-laying systems (LEGUAN and PSB2). In addition, KMW has wide-ranging system competence in the area of civil and military simulation, as well as in command and information systems and remote-controlled gun-carriages with reconnaissance and observation equipment for day and night missions. The armed forces of more than 30 nations worldwide rely on the operational systems by KMW. Get more information on www.kmweg.com.

* Joint venture with national and international partners

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