

Clavister, Thales and Blackthorn sign a Memorandum of Understanding to expand cybersecurity cooperation in Sweden

19 June 2024 – Paris, France – Clavister, a leader in European cybersecurity for mission-critical applications, today signed a long-term strategic agreement with Thales and Blackthorn, building upon a business relationship within cybersecurity and defence.

- Clavister together with Thales and Blackthorn has signed a strategic agreement for future collaboration within the cybersecurity, networking and Cloud Infrastructure domain
- The purpose of the agreement is to strengthen the cooperation between the companies based on mutually agreed principles for exploring future business opportunities within the Swedish cybersecurity- and defence markets
- Clavister is a Swedish cyber security company specialized in protecting both military and civilian customers with socially critical operations, with solutions that include firewalls and AI-based monitoring of network traffic
- Thales is a global technology leader serving the aerospace, defence, cybersecurity and digital identity markets. The Group offers military platform intercommunications, networking, routing and computing as well as software for military and governmental applications
- Blackthorn is a Swedish company that combines robust solutions for Cloud computing with human capital and advanced technology such as military information systems

Under the terms of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), the companies will work together to develop areas of cooperation within the global cybersecurity- and defence domains with the ultimate goal to benefit both companies' customers.

The purpose of this MoU is to support the companies' joint effort in addressing Swedish customers' needs, governmental and private, relating to platform cybersecurity in connection with enhanced networking, routing, computing and Cloud Infrastructure.

“Thales is committed to building strong industrial collaborations and trusted local partnerships to the benefit of our international customers. Advanced cybersecurity is critical in today's military platforms. Together with Clavister and Blackthorn we can protect Swedish Armed Forces with Swedish cybersecurity while meeting operational needs. Thales will leverage its rational and easy-to-use network solutions, delivering such solutions into programs like ASTRID 3 in France and DCIS Firefly to NATO to support Swedish Armed Forces both for the national defence and as NATO allies”, says Håkan Ahlström, Country Director Thales Sweden.

John Vestberg, CEO of Clavister commented on signing the MoU, “I think joining forces with Thales is a good example of how we as a Swedish cybersecurity expert company can add value and further enhance a mature Thales solution like SOTAS. All parts of a military platform need to be protected and the SOTAS solution is a critical communication network within the Swedish military vehicles”.

“Blackthorn represents extensive competence and state-of-the-art technology which combines the ingenuity of both Thales and Clavister software solutions into new capabilities from Tactical Edge up to Strategic level offering a unified approach to networking and connectivity, fulfilling both national and NATO requirements for interoperability – says COO Blackthorn Rickard Thörn.

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About Clavister

Clavister is a specialised Swedish cybersecurity company, protecting customers with mission-critical applications for more than two decades. Founded and headquartered in Örnköldsvik, Sweden, Clavister pioneered one of the first firewalls and continues to build robust and adaptive cybersecurity solutions since. Empowering a growing ecosystem of partners and resellers, we are serving customers in more than 100 countries with deployments across the public sector, energy, telecom and defence sectors.

The company is, since 2014, listed on Nasdaq First North.

About Thales

Thales (Euronext Paris: HO) is a global leader in advanced technologies within three domains: Defence & Security, Aeronautics & Space, and Digital Identity & Security. It develops products and solutions that help make the world safer, greener and more inclusive.

The Group invests close to €4 billion a year in Research & Development, particularly in key areas such as AI, quantum technologies, Edge computing, 6G and cybersecurity.

Thales has 81,000 employees in 68 countries. In 2023, the Group generated sales of €18.4 billion.

About Blackthorn

Blackthorn combines human capital, advanced technologies, knowledge, and experience in order to meet future challenges. Structures and strategy- that supports innovation and market needs at the centre. Operational experience and exclusive methodology are aiming to meet the modern needs through proven cost-effective and valuable Solutions.

Primary customers: Military, Police, Government and NGO's.

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