



Rosoboronexport helps make Africa safe

Rosoboronexport, part of the Rostec State Corporation, is attending the Shield Africa 2019 International Security and Defense Exhibition which is held from 22 to 24 January 2019 at the Police Academy in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire.

“Shield Africa 2019 is the first exhibition event for Rosoboronexport in the new year. This is symbolic because 2019 should be the Year of Africa for Russia’s system of military-technical cooperation, in which several important projects with the countries of the continent will be implemented. We have been fruitfully working with the largest associations in sub-Saharan Africa, such as the Southern African Development Community (SADC) and G5 Sahel. Rosoboronexport helps its partners and looks forward to increased cooperation in countering terrorism, organized crime, piracy and providing security,” said Rosoboronexport’s Director General Alexander Mikheev.

The Company is conducting an extensive business program in the framework of Shield Africa 2019, during which it presents to its existing and potential foreign customers its capabilities for supplying a wide range of weapons and military equipment for counter-terrorism and special police operations.

Ground and air vehicles for moving and delivering special-purpose units and their equipment are most in demand in African countries. In particular, the [BTR-80A](#), [BTR-82A](#) armored personnel carriers, infantry fighting vehicles, [Tigr](#) family of armored wheeled vehicles, as well as the [Mi-35M](#) transport/attack helicopter and the [Mi-17](#)-type military transport helicopters.

According to the organizers, this year’s exhibition focuses on border security and critical infrastructure protection. In this area, Rosoboronexport is ready to present a wide range of surveillance and monitoring assets, including unmanned aerial vehicles and radars.

In addition, Russian small arms, close combat weapons, special-purpose weapons and equipment, non-lethal weapons and special technical devices are of great interest in the African countries.

“We are well aware of the needs of our partners and friends and appreciate their desire to make Africa a safe territory. I’m sure that Russian-made battle-tested products are fully consistent with these goals,” added Alexander Mikheev.

[Rosoboronexport](#) is the only state-owned arms trade company in the Russian Federation authorized to export the full range of military and dual-purpose products, technologies and services. It is a subsidiary of the Rostec Corporation. Founded on 4 November, 2000, now Rosoboronexport is one of the leading world arms exporters to the international market. Its share in Russia's military exports exceeds 85 percent. Rosoboronexport cooperates with more than 700 enterprises and organizations in the Russian defence industrial complex. Russia maintains military technical cooperation with more than 100 countries around the world.



Rostec State Corporation is a Russian corporation that was established in 2007 to facilitate the development, production and export of high-tech industrial products designed for civilian and military applications. The Corporation comprises over 700 organizations that are currently part of 11 holding companies operating in the military-industrial complex and 3 holding companies working in civilian industry, as well as 80 directly managed organizations. Rostec's portfolio includes well-known brands such as AVTOVAZ, KAMAZ, Kalashnikov Concern, Russian Helicopters, VSMPO AVISMA, UralVagonZavod, etc. Rostec companies are located in 60 constituent entities of the Russian Federation and supply products to more than 70 countries. In 2016, the consolidated revenue of Rostec amounted to 1 trillion 266 billion rubles, while the consolidated net income and EBITDA amounted to 88 and 268 billion rubles respectively. In 2016, the average salary in the Corporation was 44,000 rubles. According to Rostec strategy, the main objective of the Corporation is to ensure that Russia has a technological advantage in highly competitive global markets. Rostec's key objectives include the introduction of a new techno-economic paradigm and the digitalization of the Russian economy.

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