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### Latvian Air Force Conducts Successful Live-firing of RBS 70 NG

On 13-18 June 2016 the Latvian Air Force together with the Lithuanian Air Force test-fired the RBS 70 and the latest generation RBS 70 NG during the air defence exercise “Baltic Zenith 2016” held in Šķēde, Latvia.

The exercise “Baltic Zenith 2016”, with the purpose of providing training to operators of RBS 70 air defence missile system by performing practical combat firing exercises at air targets, took place at Šķēde training range located in Vērgale parish of Pāvilosta municipality in Latvia on 13-18 June.

Approximately 90 soldiers and national guards from Latvia’s Air Defence Wing of Air Force Aviation Base and 17th Air Defence Battalion of the National Guard, as well as soldiers of the Air Defence Unit of Lithuanian Armed Forces took part in the exercise. With impressive firings and good teamwork, the exercise was a huge success, both for the operators and for Saab with its RBS 70 together with the new RBS 70 NG.

“We had a very good week together with Latvia and Lithuania, two very important customers for Saab. The operators were able to successfully hit the flying targets and after only a few hours of training with the new RBS 70 NG, they could engage the targets with full effect. This is a strong proof of the system and how easy it is to operate. We will now continue our support to the armed forces of Latvia and Lithuania”, says Michael Höglund, head of marketing and sales at Saab business unit Missile Systems within business area Dynamics.

Exercises of Air Defence Wing of Air Force Aviation Base in combat firing with air defence systems at air targets are organised at Šķēde training





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range already since 2002. Find more images from the exercise and the firing [here](#).

Saab's RBS 70 NG VSHORAD system, with its fully integrated 24/7 all-target capability, has been developed for the most demanding air defence combat situations. Its integrated sighting solution, enhanced missile operator aids, unbeatable range and unjammable laser guidance combine to produce a system with world-leading capabilities.

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