

## **PRESS RELEASE**

## Krauss-Maffei Wegmann Supports Qatar's Army Modernization

Munich, April 18<sup>th</sup> 2013 – The Emirate of Qatar is in the process of modernizing its land forces, comprising some 8500 soldiers, which operate a fleet of tanks and artillery that is in parts more than 40 years old. Therefore, Qatar signed a contract with the German defense company Krauss-Maffei Wegmann (KMW) about the delivery of 24 artillery systems PzH 2000 and 62 LEOPARD 2 main battle tanks. The project's total amount reaches €1.89 billion, including the delivery of peripheral equipment, training installations and additional services.

The systems delivered to Qatar by Krauss-Maffei Wegmann are intended to progressively replace the emirates outdated artillery and tanks of French and South African origin, which will be scrapped.

A press picture is available here:

www.kmweg.de/de/Mediacenter/Pressebilder

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\* Joint venture with national and international partners