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TenCate Advanced Armour opens sales office in United Arab Emirates to serve the Middle East region

TenCate Advanced Armour announces the opening of a permanent sales office in the Middle East. Mr Yohann Barnaud, who has been managing TenCate Advanced Armour sales in the Gulf Cooperation Council region and Eastern Europe, has been appointed director.

It is part of the TenCate Advanced Armour worldwide growth strategy to expand its local footprint in major markets for armour materials in order to support major defense programs and enhance business sustainability.

Steen Tanderup, managing director of TenCate Advanced Armour states: "We are delighted to open this office. It is the next step in our long-term strategy for providing the United Arab Emirates and the Middle East with state-of-the-art armour technologies in a manner which not only improves the defence and security capability of the country but also creates a capability which will be of benefit to industrial development".

TenCate Advanced Armour is a global leader in the design and production of lightweight armour solutions for a wide range of vehicles, from light patrol vehicles to heavy transport vehicles and main battle tanks, as well as for naval vessels, aircraft and personnel. TenCate Advanced Armour also designs and manufactures armour solutions for civil security and policing applications. The company operates from production facilities and sales offices in The Netherlands, France, Denmark, UK, USA, Singapore and India.

**TenCate Advanced Armour
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TenCate Advanced Armour is a leading global supplier of a wide range of armour composite materials for ballistic protection. TenCate Advanced Armour develops and produces a portfolio of composite and ceramic materials and designs active armour solutions for the protection of police, army, air force, navy and civilian service personnel, vehicles and vessels. TenCate Advanced Armour has facilities in Europe, Asia and North America.

Royal Ten Cate (TenCate) is a multinational company that combines textile technology with chemical processes and material technology in the development and production of functional materials with distinctive characteristics. TenCate products are sold throughout the world.

Systems and materials from TenCate come under four areas of application: safety and protection; space and aerospace; infrastructure and the environment; sport and recreation. TenCate occupies leading positions in protective fabrics, composites for space and aerospace, antiballistics, geosynthetics and synthetic turf. TenCate is listed on NYSE Euronext (AMX).