

ELT GROUP AND KING ABDULLAH UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SIGNED AN MOU ON COOPERATION IN CUTTING-EDGE TECHNOLOGIES

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ELT Group and King Abdullah University of Science and Technology (KAUST) have signed a landmark Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to boost their cooperation in cutting-edge technologies.

This strategic partnership combines ELT Group's decades of expertise in managing the electromagnetic spectrum with KAUST's world-class research ecosystem, paving the way for the development of joint projects related to advanced technologies.

The agreement aims to create a platform where scientific breakthroughs meet business applications, ensuring that cutting-edge research is not confined to academic circles but instead reaches the industrial ecosystem of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. The partnership builds on ELT Group's deep-rooted local presence, including the establishment of **Electronica for Industry LLC**, a local entity driving technology transfer, focused on localizing manufacturing, logistic support, and, more extensively, the entire value chain.

Prof. Gianluca Setti, Dean of Computer, Electrical and Mathematical Sciences and Engineering at KAUST said: *"This partnership brings KAUST's research strengths together with ELT Group's applied expertise to advance secure communications, critical-infrastructure monitoring and next-generation technologies, while building local talent and capabilities for the Kingdom."*

Daniela Pistoia, ELT Group Corporate Chief Scientist *"By joining forces with KAUST, ELT Group brings its global expertise in the EMSO (ElectroMagnetic Spectrum Operations) to one of the most ambitious research hubs of the world. This MoU will accelerate the development of next-generation technologies, while significantly contributing to the growth of local competences and the technological sovereignty of the Kingdom of Saudia Arabia."*

Through this partnership, ELT Group's and KAUST will jointly cooperate to address some of the most complex challenges, while also focusing on joint research and studies on emerging technologies, specialised training programmes and access to state-of-the-art testing facilities.

The signing took place during the Saudi Italian Business Forum in Riyadh at the presence of the Italian Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs Hon. Tajani.

ELT Group

For more than 70 years, it has been a world leader in Electronic Defense systems. Thanks to innovative management of the electromagnetic spectrum, achieved through proprietary and integrated technologies, today the brand is an international Group with a multi-domain approach that also covers Cyber, Space and Biodefense.

By the experience gained through participation in major European Defense programs including Eurofighter Typhoon, FREMM, PPA today ELT Group is present in more than 30 countries in the World with more than 3000 systems supplied, and also participates in the project for the sixth generation avionics platform GCAP (Global Combat Air Programme)

ELT Group is headquartered in Italy, but has a presence in 11 countries located on 4 continents through sales offices and companies of strategic importance and local law in Germany and Saudi Arabia.

Also part of the ELT Group are CY4GATE, which specializes in Cyber security and Cyber Intelligence, E4Life, Italy's first Biodefense company and Solynx Corporation, a US-based technology scouting company.

About King Abdullah University of Science and Technology (KAUST)

Located on the shores of the Red Sea, King Abdullah University of Science and Technology (KAUST) is an international, graduate research university in Saudi Arabia dedicated to advancing science and technology through interdisciplinary research, education, and innovation. Students, faculty, scientists, and engineers conduct fundamental and goal-oriented research to address the world's pressing challenges related to food, water, energy, and the environment. KAUST contributes to the Kingdom's transformation into a knowledge-based economy, promoting economic development and delivering public benefit.

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