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Denmark's fighter aircraft will operate from Skrydstrup. This applies to the current F-16 aircraft and the future F-35 Joint Strike Fighter.

Through this initiative, Haderslev Municipality is working with the military, defence companies and political partners to create Denmark's first centre for aircraft maintenance at Skrydstrup: ACE Denmark.

With the implementation of ACE Denmark, maintenance of advanced fighter aircraft will not move abroad but will remain in Denmark and create growth and high-tech jobs.

Vision:

The vision is to establish a public-private co-operation based on Fighter Wing Skrydstrup's skills and needs, creating a high-tech development park with positive secondary effects for the entire region on a limited Government Owned, Contractor Operated (GOCO) principle.

ACE Denmark will be the physical framework for a number of companies and institutions, together with defense contributors to the operation and maintenance of aircraft.

ACE Denmark creates synergy and development potential for the benefit of all involved, and supports a broader perspective of Denmark's security and economic interests.

The goal is to make ACE Denmark the manufacturers' preferred partner in the maintenance, operation and production of the aircraft.

Through this initiative, ACE Denmark contributes to ensuring Danish business interests while contributing to growth and the creation of high-tech jobs in the region. The alternative may be that advanced aircraft maintenance takes place abroad.

ACE Denmark will also help to strengthen Danish security interests in respect of high operational availability of Danish military aircraft.

ACE Denmark can also support restructuring and streamlining as the Air Force undergoes transition from the F-16 to the F-35.

ACE Denmark achieves the above by:

- ◆ ensuring Danish security interests through a long-term supply security and the related high level of operational availability rate of the covered aircraft
- ◆ attracting, recruiting and retaining the most talented and motivated employees
- ◆ offering jobs and a working environment where people thrive professionally and personally
- ◆ exploiting technological and operational synergies through the proximity of ACE Denmark to the cluster of military facilities and installations which today are resident in Denmark and especially the Haderslev area.

Amenities:

ACE Denmark will be situated at the fighter base at Skrydstrup, where facilities and buildings can be released in connection with the establishment adjustments expected to be made as a result of the implementation of new fighter aircraft and its new status as NATO Core Airbase.

The facilities in the other sections of the defence cluster (including the Armed Forces Supply and Distribution Depot, Haderslev Kaserne and Emergency Management Jutland) should also be included in GOCO principles in order that ACE Denmark can utilise any excess capacity.

Organization:

ACE Denmark is conceived as a foundation that acts as an "umbrella organisation". To participate in ACE Denmark, companies must be certified (EASA PART 145) and recommended by the aircraft manufacturer as a "Best Value Partner" within their respective areas of competence.



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