

iCASS system purchased by the Joint Forward Air Control Training and Standardisation Unit (JFACTSU), UK MoD

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In partnership with Selex ES, Close Air Solutions are excited to announce the purchase of the iCASS system by the Joint Forward Air Control Training and Standardisation Unit (JFACTSU), UK MoD, for their Forward Air Control training requirement at RAF Leeming. The Selex ES and CAS partnership ensures that the customer benefits from the security and international delivery experience of a world class services provider and the knowledge, deep understanding and commitment of a team dedicated to providing excellence in FAC training.

The Immersive Close Air Support Simulator (iCASS) has been specifically developed to provide FAC's with a high fidelity immersive training environment with full AAR capability.

At the core of the iCASS system is computer generated/semi-automated forces and threat generation with powerful 3D virtual simulation provided by MetaVR and Battlespace Simulations. The system meets DIS/SISO standards, interoperability being an important consideration; iCASS can interoperate with any DIS-based system using DIS protocols, such as VBS2/3.

Close Air Solutions' iCASS and the MetaVR software is already used globally to support the highest quality and tempo FAC/JTAC training.

"... Close Air solutions realistic and demanding training scenarios showcased the unique benefits of not only a simulation device, but demonstrated an outstanding ability to instruct and mentor by leveraging previous experience and expertise as both aircrew and Forward Air Controllers..."

Chief FAC Capability Section, NATO Ample Strike exercise 2014, Czech Republic.

Mike Squires, Director CAS said, "JFACTSU has been instrumental in shaping us as individuals, a company and as a provider of world class FAC training. We are still based locally to RAF Leeming and we look forward to delivering the best possible FAC training system and support as part of the team."

About Close Air Solutions (CAS):

CAS is a single source deliverer of all aspects of international Close Air Support Training for Forward Air Controllers (FAC), Joint Terminal Attack Controllers (JTACs), Aircrew, and the wider military community. Delivering innovative Forward Air Control training and consultancy services to UK and NATO forces, the primary focus remains the development of best in class FAC simulation systems. Their experience is born directly from the UK Joint Forward Air Control Training and Standards Unit, employing both ex JFACTSU instructors and JFACTSU simulator system architects. www.closeairsolutions.com

About Selex ES:

Selex ES, a Finmeccanica company, is a Tier 1 prime contractor with the strength of human and financial capital to deliver against this requirement. Selex ES employs over 17,700 people worldwide with annual revenues in excess of 3.5 billion Euros. Our 4,700 UK employees sustain a key UK industrial sector worth over £1.07 billion annually whilst investing more than £140 million in research and development. We not only support the UK MoD, but also generate significant export revenues in excess of £670 million for the country.