Swedish Police Authority awards multi-year contract to Thales for innovative travel and identity documents

- Swedish Police Authority renews trust in Thales for the supply of pioneering and highly secure travel and ID documents as well as innovative citizen enrolment services.
- Contract represents one of the largest passport programmes for the Group with around 12 million documents to be delivered to Swedish citizens over next five to seven years.
- To date, Thales contributes to more than 30 electronic passport programs worldwide and remains the leader in the Travel and ID document market.

PARIS LA DEFENSE - The world leader in digital identity & security, Thales, announces that its shareholding company AB Svenska Pass has been awarded the contract to manufacture, personalize and deliver around 12 million ePassports, national ID cards and other identity documents for Swedish citizens. In addition, Thales will provide a next generation enrolment kiosk solution to easily and securely capture applicants’ biometric data in more than 110 locations in Sweden. The deal also includes the personalization of temporary passports and support and maintenance for the duration of the contract.

The Swedish ePassports and national ID cards were initially introduced in October 2005. Sweden was one of the first countries in the world to launch such a project, and the Swedish passport is often ranked as one of the most secure passports in the world.

“Having supported our Swedish customers for more than two decades in multiple industries, this is yet another example of Thales’ strong commitment and local presence in the Nordic countries. Moreover, this contract reflects the continued growth of the secure identity market and Thales’ leadership in travel document solutions, bringing superior standards of technology. We are proud to be entrusted with delivering one of the world most sophisticated ePassports including the use of biometrics to ensure quick and secure cross-border movement for Swedish citizens” said Tommi Nordberg, VP Europe, Identity and Biometric Solutions at Thales.
Thales is able to handle the entire process for enrolment, secure documents manufacturing, personalization, and managed services. Learn more on our governmental projects here.

About Thales

Thales (Euronext Paris: HO) is a global technology leader shaping the world of tomorrow today. The Group provides solutions, services and products to customers in the aeronautics, space, transport, digital identity and security, and defence markets. With 83,000 employees in 68 countries, Thales generated sales of €19 billion in 2019 (on a pro forma basis including Gemalto over 12 months).

Thales is investing in particular in digital innovations — connectivity, Big Data, artificial intelligence and cybersecurity — technologies that support businesses, organisations and governments in their decisive moments.

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