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## SensoNor MEMS-Foundry and Saab MicroTech starts co-operation

SensoNor ASA product area MEMS-Foundry in Horten, Norway and Saab MicroTech AB in Gothenburg, Sweden has signed a cooperation agreement on the development and fabrication within the area of microtechnology (MEMS). By this co-operation, a strong industrial development resource is offered in the combination with a capable manufacturing facility.

Saab MicroTech will provide design, construction/development and simulations of devices and systems, while SensoNor will be the manufacturer of the microdevices. By performing design and development directly in a production adapted process, the risk in transfer from prototype design to manufacturing is minimised or eliminated.

SensoNor was established in 1985 as a volume manufacturer of micro electromechanical sensors. The company has several years of experience within industrial production of micro electromechanical devices in silicon, primarely accelerometers and pressure sensors. In the recent years this production has been concentrated towards the product areas Automotive and MEMS- Foundry. The goal of the MEMS- Foundry product area is to serve a number of applications within the global MEMS market, partly through establing a network of partners. The co-operation agreement with Saab MicroTech is an important part of this network.

Saab MicroTech has been generated as an industrial centre of competence for microtechnology within Saab. The purpose is partly to offer a comprehensive technology support, and partly to operate as specialist consultants in the open market. Saab MicroTech handles the microtechnology strictly from the customer's system perspective. Hence, resources have been allocated within complementary areas such as electronic design, mechanical simulation and calculations, packaging and assembly of microdevices.

Saab is one of the world's leading high-technology companies, with its main operations focusing on defense, aviation and space. The group covers a broad spectrum of competence and capabilities in systems integration.

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