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Rheinmetall's Investment in the UK: Strengthening Land Capability

Rheinmetall, a global leader in defence, continues to make significant strides in the United Kingdom by contributing to the land defence sector through innovation, robust collaboration, and a strong commitment to partnerships. As part of its ongoing efforts, Rheinmetall is playing a pivotal role in driving forward advancements in critical areas that support national security, economic growth, and the development and sustainability of high-skilled jobs while enhancing the UK's land defence capability through advanced solutions tailored for the modern battlefield. Through close cooperation with industry and government, Rheinmetall has been instrumental in developing highly specialised skills and competence, particularly in land systems technology.

Advancing and sustaining the UK's Land Defence Capability

Rheinmetall has invested in bolstering the UK's land defence capability, offering a range of advanced technologies designed to enhance the nation's operational readiness. By investing in manufacture and design capability, delivering innovative military vehicles, munitions, and integrated systems, Rheinmetall supports the British Army's ability to operate effectively across all terrains. This commitment aligns to the UK's broader objectives of increasing land defence capability through innovative, scalable solutions that ensure long-term adaptability and resilience in the face of evolving threats.

Rheinmetall invests in the UK to produce and upgrade armoured fighting vehicles, contributing to rebuilding and advancing the UK's armoured fighting vehicle capability.

Having invested in these on shore capabilities in the UK, Rheinmetall can bring forward technological innovation, product development and export orders from the UK, further sustaining this sovereign capability. These are all key enablers for Governmental inter-defence relationships which creates enhanced interoperability, joint development and procurement programmes and a more comprehensive, resilient supply base resulting in win-win partnerships in a partnership that is mutually beneficial to Rheinmetall and our customers.

► Key facts

- **UK's Land Champion:** a partner now and in the future.
- **UK Operations:** presence with ongoing investments in local facilities and technology.
- **Workforce development:** Focusing on creating and sustaining high-skilled jobs for the UK workforce.
- **Partnerships:** Strong collaborations with British and international industries.
- **Innovation:** Driving advancements in defence and automotive sectors for the UK.

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Generating Military Advantage

Rheinmetall in the UK has generated sustained military advantage and developed a highly skilled industrial base for Challenger 3 and Boxer whilst providing social value in Telford, Newcastle, Isle of Wight and across its UK supply chain.

Rheinmetall has delivered the advanced technology of the Enhanced Kinetic Energy round to deliver assured overmatch for Challenger 3 and interoperability with other European users of the smoothbore gun; a strong example of the benefits of inter-collaborative approaches to security and defence, especially between UK and Germany.

Additionally, Rheinmetall's commitment to generating military advantage extends further with the establishment of a centre dedicated to the rapid acquisition of HX trucks, which form the backbone of NATO's logistics support. This facility enabled the UK to execute rapid acquisitions, ensuring that critical logistics and operational needs are met efficiently, further enhancing the nation's ability to respond to evolving defence challenges.

Investing in British Talent and Innovation

A cornerstone of Rheinmetall's operations in the UK is its focus on enhancing local expertise and capacity. Through close cooperation with industry and government, Rheinmetall has been instrumental in developing highly specialised skills and competence, particularly in land systems technology.

In January 2024, Rheinmetall officially opened Rheinmetall House, its new offices in Bristol. This strategic investment reinforces the company's long-term commitment to the UK and positions Rheinmetall at the heart of the UK's defence innovation and collaboration efforts. The new office will serve as a hub for Rheinmetall's UK operations, supporting ongoing development projects and fostering deeper engagement with local partners and stakeholders. Rheinmetall's dedication to nurturing the next generation of talent is also exemplified by its commitment to workforce development. By offering training programmes and employment opportunities, the company is helping to equip the UK's workforce with the skills required for the modern technological landscape—contributing to both the defence sector and the broader industrial base.

Collaborating for a Stronger Future

At the heart of Rheinmetall's success in the UK is its collaborative approach. The company has forged strong relationships with local partners across various sectors, ensuring that its solutions are tailored to meet the specific needs of the British market. By working closely with these partners, Rheinmetall ensures that its offerings contribute to the UK's wider objectives of enhancing operational readiness, resilience, and capability across key industries. The company's solutions are designed to integrate seamlessly with existing infrastructure while maintaining flexibility for future adaptation, supporting the Ministry of Defence's vision for a more flexible and responsive land force.

Looking Towards a Stronger Future

As Rheinmetall continues to grow its presence in the UK, its focus remains firmly on delivering high-quality, innovative solutions that align with the nation's strategic priorities. With a clear emphasis on supporting UK land capability and a commitment to long-term partnerships, Rheinmetall will continue to focus on being the **UK's land champion – a partner now and in the future.**

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