



**PRESS RELEASE**

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## **The French naval industry goes worldwide!**

**Supported by an unprecedented number of orders from its shipyards, the French naval and maritime industry presents its exceptional savoir-faire and latest innovations at Exponaval.**

[The French Pavilion](#) at the EXPONAVAL exhibition in Chile, organised by the GICAN and supported by the DGA, welcomes a number of flagships of the French naval defence industry. The exhibition is taking place from November 29<sup>th</sup> to December 2<sup>nd</sup> 2016 on the Concon naval air station in Valparaiso.

EXPONAVAL is the main Latin-American naval exhibition and this year counts more than 100 exhibitors including 10 from France. MBDA, THALES, AMERIS, DCI, DCNS, ECA, IXBLUE, SAFRAN ELECTRONICS & DEFENCE will all be present, either as part of the French pavilion or independently at the exhibition.

More than 30 official naval delegations from 27\* countries have already confirmed their participation.

France is one of the suppliers for Chile's armed forces, particularly its navy with SCORPENE submarines and the former TCD FOUFRE.

\* Source: [www.exponaval.cl](http://www.exponaval.cl) :

*Naval delegations confirmed to date: Angola, Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, France, Germany, Saudi Arabia, Spain, Honduras, Israel, Italy, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Poland, Russia, Thailand, United Kingdom, United States, Uruguay, Venezuela.*

**The GICAN**

(French Marine Industry Group)

The GICAN is a professional organization bringing together French industrialists from the shipbuilding and maritime sector. It unites major contractors, system and equipment providers, as well as SMEs and MMCs who contribute to the design, construction, maintenance and implementation of military vessels, cruise ships, trade vessels and specialized vessels. The GICAN also plays an important role supporting maritime industries involved in Marine Renewable Energies, in promoting and protecting the oceans and coastal and port infrastructures. The GICAN helps promote businesses in France and abroad, and organizes EURONAVAL ([www.euronaival.fr](http://www.euronaival.fr)) the world event for naval defence, and EUROMARITIME ([www.euromaritime.fr](http://www.euromaritime.fr)) the European maritime economy exhibition.

#### Key figures

- More than 160 member companies
- A turnover of approximately 8,5 billion euros accumulated for the French industry
- More than 40,000 jobs

For more information:

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## **ANNEXES**

### **French naval exports:**

- Europe: Italy, Germany, UK, Belgium, Norway, Denmark
- Africa: Algeria, Egypt, Senegal, Ivory Coast, Gabon, Morocco, Mozambique, Togo, Benin, Nigeria, Angola
- Asia – Middle East: India, Malaysia, Saudi Arabia, Indonesia, Kuwait, Philippines, Singapore, UAE
- America: USA, Brazil, Surinam, Chile

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