

Cohort plc

An Introduction October 2016



Overview

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The independent technology group

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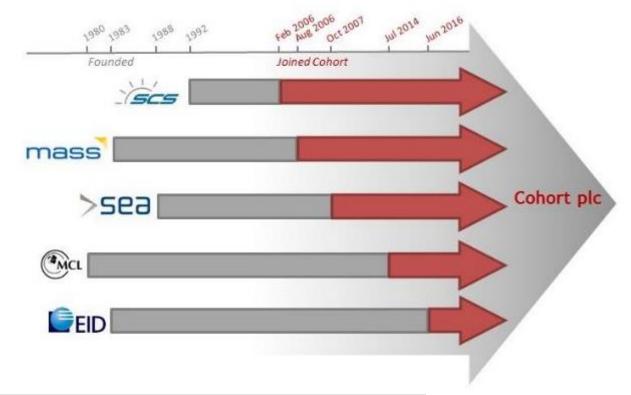
- Group of small to medium sized businesses
- Defence, security and related markets
- Agile and innovative
- Stability, customer visibility and access to capital from listing
- Sharing information and access to customers across group
- Growing organically and by acquisition

Introduction

Shape and Size



- Five member companies
- Around 800 people
- Annual revenue 2015/16 £113m
- Market capitalisation ~£150m





The Cohort Group companies





- Around 300 people
- Offices in Beckington, Bristol, Barnstaple and Aberdeen
- Areas of expertise:
 - Maritime defence systems: communications, sensors and weapons
 - Technology research and expert advice
 - Training and simulation
 - Transport systems including Roadflow
 - Subsea engineering









- Around 250 people
- St Neots and Lincoln
- Areas of expertise:
 - EW Operational Support
 - Cyber defence
 - Secure networks
 - Strategic Systems









- Around 55 employees, ~200 associates
- Theale, near Reading
- Areas of expertise
 - Major exercise support
 - Military aircraft safety









- •27 people
- Horley, Surrey
- Areas of expertise:
 - Tactical hearing protection
 - Electronic warfare and intelligence systems
 - Communications
 - Force protection









- Around 140 people
- Near Lisbon, Portugal
- Areas of expertise
 - Naval communications
 - Military C3
 - Vehicle intercoms









Market Outlook

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UK Market Prospects: A Mixed Picture

- Strongly positive 2015 Strategic Defence Review
 - Extra £12bn on equipment over 10 years
 - New class of frigates
 - Big investment in Special Forces and Cyber
- Cohort's major programmes are stable, long term and operationally important
 - Nuclear deterrent
 - Combat aircraft EWOS
 - Astute class submarines
 - Surface ship and submarine support
 - Joint Forces Command exercise programme
- MOD remains a difficult business environment
 - No new equipment money before 2018/19
 - Tight expenditure controls continuing
 - Commercially challenging: single source regime, IPR terms



Outlook

Export Markets: Continuing Strong Regional Demand

- Expecting export growth
 - Middle East
 - Southeast Asia
 - Eastern and Northern Europe
- Markets based on UK equipment sales and political ties
- Some good prime relationships
- EID brings new prime relationships and markets
- Challenges as well as opportunities







Outlook

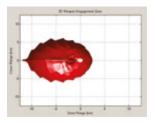
Investing for Organic Growth

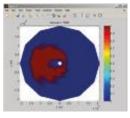
 Well-established private venture and customer-funded R&D activities at MASS and SEA – complements acquisition strategy

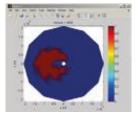
Self-funded R&D planned to increase from £1.4m in 2015/16 to £2.0m in

2016/17

- Priorities at MASS
 - FW software tools
 - Cyber tools and techniques
 - New high security cyber facility
- Priorities at SFA
 - Export naval system offerings
 - Roadflow derivatives
 - Decksim customer funded developments for MOD and Australia











Outlook

Acquisition Strategy – Promising Pipeline

- Integration of EID needs time and attention
- Continue to see opportunities to for targeted acquisitions
- Stand-alone acquisitions
 - Likely to be operating in defence and security markets
 - Ready to join a larger public group
 - Growth potential and sustainable competitive advantage
- Bolt-in acquisitions
 - To be integrated with an existing group business
 - Closely-linked capabilities and/or customer relationships
- Disciplined and cautious approach experienced team

Corporate Performance

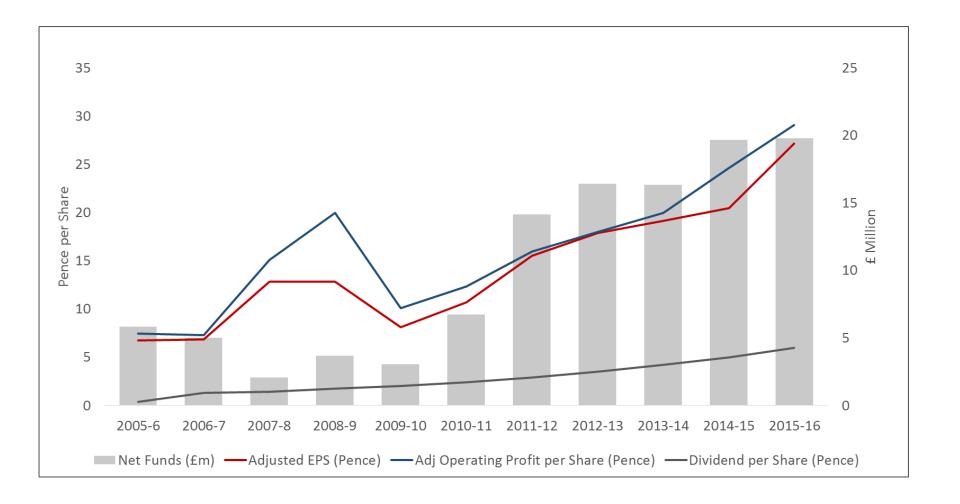
Historic Acquisitions and Disposals

Date	Business	М&А Туре	Consideration	1 st FY Adj Op Profit	1 st FY Multiple	Last FY Adj Op Profit	Last FY Multiple
1 Aug 06	MASS	Standalone Acquisition	£13.0m	£2.27m	5.7x	£5.96m	2.2x
31 Oct 07	SEA	Standalone Acquisition	£25.4m	£2.25m	11.3x	£5.44m	6.8x
1 Oct 14	J&S	SEA Bolt-in Acquisition	£11.7m	£1.06m*	11.0x		
9 Jul 14	MCL	Standalone Acquisition	£7.0m	£1.40m	10.0x	£1.40m	10.0x
28 Jun 16	EID	Standalone Acquisition	€10.8m	€2.9m*	6.5x		

^{* -} figures reported in last full year statutory accounts before acquisition by Cohort

Corporate Performance

10 year Historic Performance



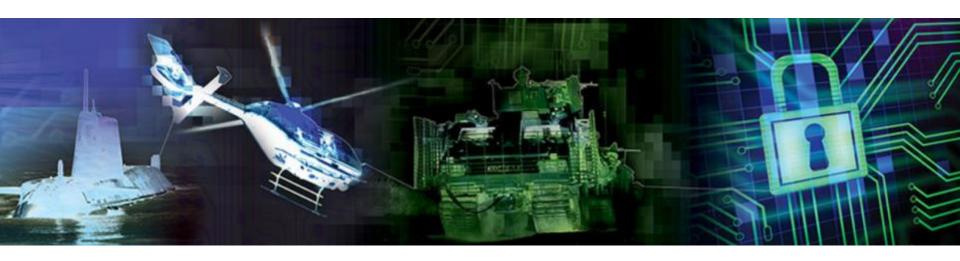
Conclusion

In Conclusion

- Strong market positions driven by technology and people
- Responsive, agile, customer-friendly
- Growth prospects both organically and by acquisition
- Increasingly strong exports
- Financially sound



SEA Maritime Defence



HMS Belfast 4th October 2016



Introduction

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 - Strategy
 - Markets and Capabilities
- 2. Products and Services
 - Submarine Communications
 - Torpedo and Decoy Launch Systems
 - Sonar Systems
 - Through Life Support

Maritime Defence - Headlines

2016 - Revenue of £31m, >60% of SEA total

- United Kingdom c.£25m
 - Submarine Comms,
 - Sonar Systems
 - Torpedo & Decoy Launcher Systems
 - In-service Support
- Exports c.£6m
 - Mature products
 - RN point of reference
- Product Development
 - Low Profile Array, ASW Sonar

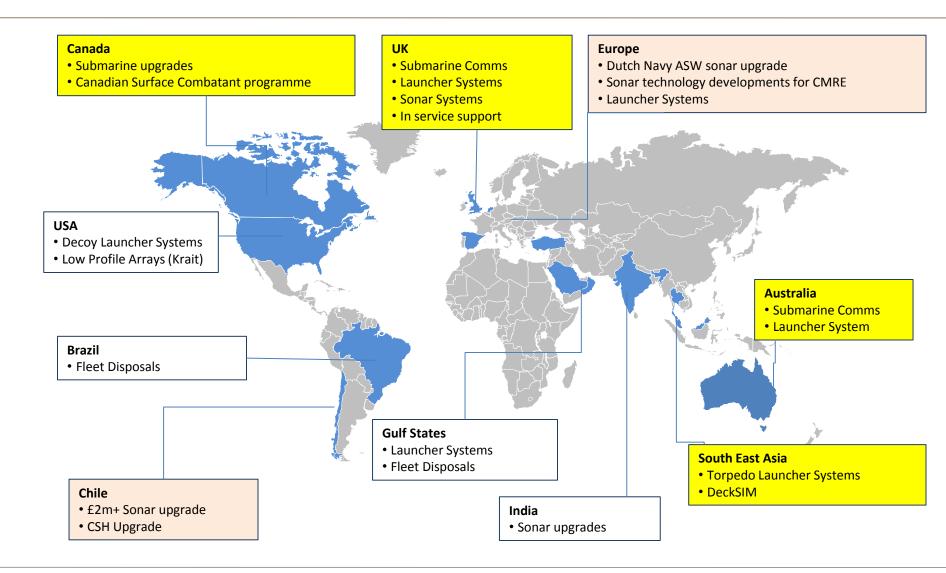
Domestic demand has enabled recent growth – now targeting export opportunities to sustain and expand this







Markets



Product Lines

Sonar



Submarine Comms



Weapon and Decoy Launch Systems



In-service Support







Submarine Communications

External Communication System (ECS)

- Secure open architecture system
 - SEA Intellectual property in
 - Intelligent, flexible Network Interface Unit
 - Management & Control Software
 - Radio system agnostic
- Scalable & flexible
 - Easy implementation of new radios and upgrades
 - Reduced user & maintainer workload
- Selected for all UK Submarines
 - Astute Class x 7
 - Vanguard SSBN x 4
 - Trafalgar SSN x 2









Submarine Communications

Continuous 'spiral development' contract

- BAES, MOD, Babcock and SEA
- £15m revenue this year
- Destined for Successor SSBN

Current Order book c.£20m (UK) Major Export Opportunities Canada

- Victoria Class submarines
 - £10m

Australia

- Collins Class replacement
 - £20m

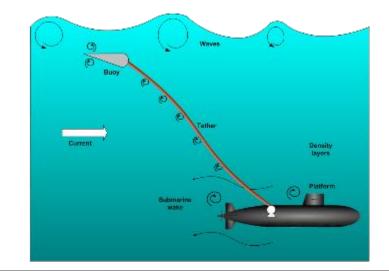
Submarine Communications Buoy

- For submerged communications
 - Inboard System development
 - Design and Manufacture for SSBN
 - £15m



Voice Terminal











Torpedo and Decoy Launcher Systems

Torpedo Launchers

- Fixed, trainable, single, multi tube, internal or external
- Torpedo agnostic
- Weapon handling & storage
- In service with RN since 1980
- Successful export product based on updated RN system
- £1.5 £2.5m dependent on configuration

Decoy and Sonobuoys Launchers

- Identical control system
- Tube size varies to suit payload









Torpedo and Decoy Launcher Systems

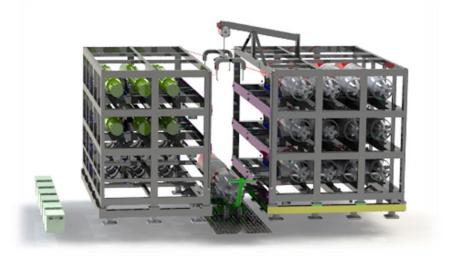
UK - Multi-year support contract to maintain Royal Navy Systems

Malaysia - Six new build frigates

- Torpedo Launcher
- Weapon Handling & Stowage system
- £19m to 2021

Thailand - One new build frigate

• £2.4m



Opportunity Pipeline of more than £70m

- Royal Navy T23 & T26 from 2017
- 6 x new frigates for KSA 2017
- 2 x new frigates for Philippines 2017
- 15 x new frigates for Canada from 2018
- 5 x new frigates for UAE 2018
- 4 x new frigates for Turkey 2018









Conventional Towed Arrays

- Typical diameter 50-90mm
- Large and very heavy
- Complex and expensive
- High power consumption
- Large drag loading
- Big platforms, lots of power









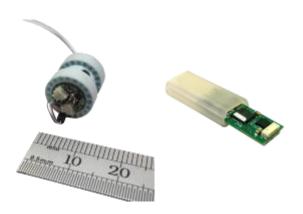
Krait - Low Profile Acoustic Array

A lightweight, acoustic sensor system for Unmanned vehicles

- Delivers
 - Maritime Domain Awareness
 - Border and choke point traffic monitoring
 - Marine Mammal monitoring
- Utilises miniature acoustic sensors and microelectronics

Product Launched two years ago

- 50m system to 'test the market'
- Extensive trials with Boeing and Liquid Robotics Inc
- UK MOD, DRDC (Canada), WASS, BAES and NATO
- 10 systems sales to date
- Further product development to deliver
 - Better acoustic sensitivity
 - Improved reliability
 - Reduced production costs





Prospects

USA (Boeing & LRI)

- Swarms of AUV's patrolling the Pacific
- Delivering persistent ocean surveillance
- Six month deployments, return to base, replace
 Krait and re-deploy
- Requirement for >40 Krait Arrays per year

UK

- Royal Navy evaluation this autumn
- Sister system purchased by MOD for Submarine signature measurement
- Future towed array system for Successor

South East Asia

- Cost effective offshore surveillance
- Limited budgets, manpower, skills base and support infrastructure – Krait offers an affordable military capability







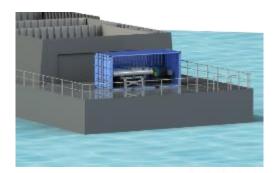


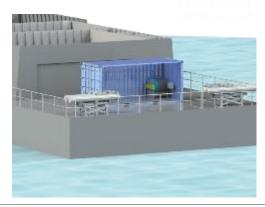
Product Development

Lightweight Anti-Submarine Warfare System

- Exploits LPA & Launchers Capability
- Three variants
 - Acoustic detection only
 - Self protection mode
 - Full offensive weapon system
- Inboard signal processing, track localization and target classification
- Integrated decoy and torpedo launch system
- Commercial lightweight winch
- Containerised or standalone
- Aimed at thriving OPV and small frigate market
- Targeting affordable price for SE Asia















Through Life System Support

Multi year, firm price in-service support contracts

• £7-8m pa

1. Sonar Systems

 Towed Arrays, Active ASW systems, Under water telephones, echosounders and Oceanographic sensors



2. Launcher Systems

- Torpedo and Decoy Launchers
- 3. Combat System Infrastructure
- 4. Submarine Weapon Launch System
- 5. DeckSIM Training Aid
 - Hi-fidelity, 3D VR trainer for flight deck operations
 - Configurable for any aircraft type or deck
 - Sales to RN, Norway, Australia





Summary and conclusions

- An innovative business investing in new technology
- Focused on growing export markets
- Benefitting from the market access and visibility offered by the Cohort group
- Co-operation with EID brings new markets and opportunities





Thank You

Questions



SHAPING THE FUTURE

... in defence communications

since 1983





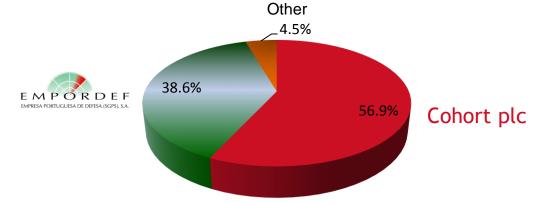
- ➤ Established in 1983, EID is a high-tech Portuguese business with deep know-how and long experience in the fields of
 - Electronics and microelectronics
 - Communications
 - Command & control
- The company is focused on the design, manufacture and supply of advanced, high performance equipment and systems, mainly for the worldwide defence community





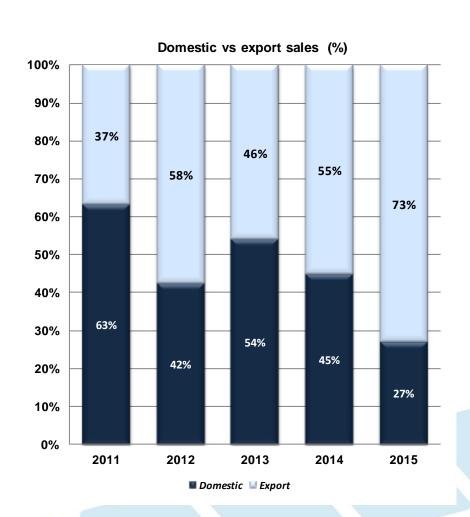


- Cohort owns a controlling stake, has agreement to move to 80%
- Remainder held by Portuguese government agencies



- Quality Management System and security clearances for European and NATO customers
- Workforce: 140 people, most of them electronics & software engineers





- Strong customer demand
- > Technically advanced products
- > Highly competitive prices







- > Acquisition brings EID's markets, customers and technology to Cohort
- Strengthens EID's UK position and relationships





- > Naval communications
- > Tactical communications
- > Field communications
- Messaging
- > Systems integration



ICCS provides powerful and sophisticated tools to enable a single operator to manage the ship's communications resources.

- ✓ Flexible distribution of voice and data signals, either plain or secure.
- ✓ Powerful internal communication capabilities including point-to-point and conference circuits.
- ✓ Remote control of the integrated communications equipment, including real-time status monitoring
- ✓ Embedded training facilities
- ✓ Gateway to the Combat Management System





- ✓ICCS was first deployed in 1985, on board a Portuguese Navy frigate
- √The system has been continuously improved (in functionality and underpinning technology) and is now in its 6th generation (and counting...)
- ✓ Since the mid-1990's, all new ships of the Portuguese, Dutch and Spanish navies have been equipped with ICCS
- ✓ Over 140 systems sold to 11 navies



Intercom systems for vehicles and boats









- Integration of communications in armoured vehicles, small vessels and shelters
- Up to 15 crew members, 6 radios and 4 computers

- A compact solution for main battle tanks, light armoured vehicles and fast patrol boats
- Up to 7 crew members, 3 radios and 2 computers
- Main Customers: Portuguese, Egyptian, Algerian, Indonesian and Malaysian Armies; German, Singapore, UAE and East Timor Navies
 - 2500 systems supplied, of which 2100 for the international market

















Personal radio: TWH-100 series

- Encrypted high quality voice and data with GPS
- Low probability of interception
- Up to 2km range
- Automatic retransmission mode (up to 4x range)
- Software upgradeable





Main Customers

Egyptian and Turkmenistan armies, Portuguese,
 Spanish, Indonesian and Malaysian navies



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Field Communications

CD-116/IP Switchboard

- Up to 64 Analogue telephones
- Internal call manager
- IP, ISDN and analogue networks;
- Built-in IP router & switch



BLC-201 Field Telephone

- CB, CBS or LB operation
- Up to 35Km
- Rugged and lightweight



Main Customers

- Armies of Australia, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Brazil, Egypt, Malaysia, Saudi Arabia and UAE
- Over 500 switchboards and 10 000 telephones supplied

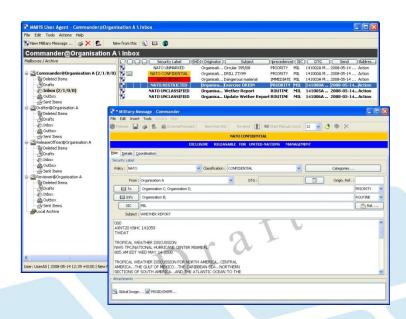


Military Messaging

Integrated messaging solutions for strategic & tactical environments

- 30 years of experience in military messaging, from development to logistic support
- Sole supplier to the Portuguese Armed Forces





MOST4 MMHS

- Compliant with NATO standards
- Gateways to email and other systems
- "Microsoft Outlook like" user interface





- Strategic communications systems for Portuguese armed forces
- Broadcast and Ship-Shore data communications systems
- Military Messaging systems (Strategic & Tactical)
- HF radio systems for Air Traffic Control
- Vessel Traffic Systems





Our technology development road map includes:

- > A new generation naval communications system
- An enhanced, state-of-the-art intercom system, targeting the most sophisticated customers
- A fully fledged personal radio in the UHF range, with higher power output
- New messaging software, in line with emerging NATO standards





The average R&D investment is 13% of sales







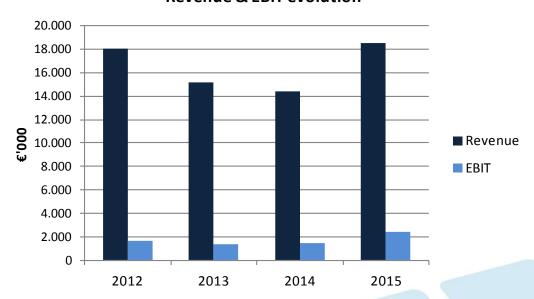


- Modern CAD facilities
- High-spec electronics manufacturing
- > Automated inspection and test



Historic performance indicators

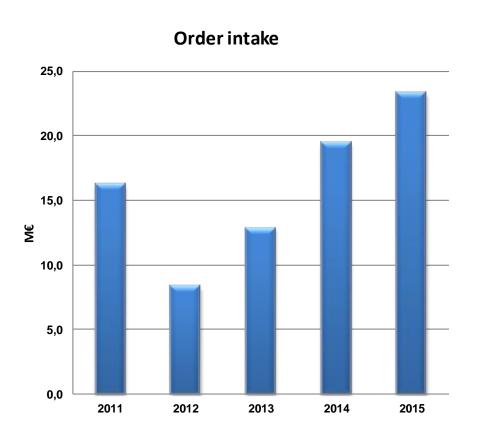
Revenue & EBIT evolution



Average EBIT: 10% of the revenue



Historic performance indicators





- > An innovative and agile defence communications business
- Strong export performance demonstrates both technical edge and price competitiveness
- Order intake has grown rapidly and in-year order cover is strong
- Cohort Group membership brings greater strength in UK, new market opportunities and strong financial backing