

Pasquale di Bartolomeo, MBDA Italia's managing director, and MBDA's executive group director for Sales & Business Development

It is of great pride that MBDA Italia will be a significant part of the Tempest programme, a system of systems that will be at the heart of combat air for the participating countries in the coming decades."

This is how Pasquale di Bartolomeo, MBDA Italia's managing director, and MBDA's executive group director for Sales & Business Development, commented on the news announced today at FIA Connect (a virtual Farnborough International Airshow) that underlines the deepening of talks between Italy, the United Kingdom and Sweden.

"Our presence in the programme is centred on the next generation weapon systems and their integration, in particular in Italy by sharing our expertise in guidance and navigation, and in building seekers, developed over the years thanks to international programs," he added.

Mr di Bartolomeo concluded: "This expertise will contribute to a cutting-edge project, one that also shows the ability to build a combat air system through international collaboration, sharing the best capabilities of any participating nation."