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# RUAG joins AMV35 team for Australian Land bid

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BAE Systems Australia has announced a new alliance with RUAG Australia to strengthen its bid on the Land 400 Phase 2 programme to provide combat reconnaissance vehicles (CRVs) to the Australian Army.

A press release on 21 February said BAE Systems and its main partner on the bid, Finnish group Patria, have selected RUAG Australia to produce ballistic armour protection for their AMV35 vehicle offering. The AMV35 is based on Patria's 8x8 Armoured Modular Vehicle (AMV).

BAE Systems said that if the AMV35 wins the contract, RUAG's parent company in Switzerland will transfer technologies to Australia to facilitate localised manufacturing of the armour protection system.

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