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## **SURVITEC APPOINTS RICHARD MEARS TO LEAD REALIGNED DEFENCE AND AEROSPACE DIVISION**

Leading safety partner to the defence industry Survitec, is supporting the restructure of its defence division with the appointment of Richard Mears. The new director for Global Defence & Aerospace Sales joined Survitec on 15 July and will take responsibility for the division's sales and customer service.

Richard was CEO and President at QinetiQ Inc (USA), a company he joined as Director of International Business Development. Prior to this he held various senior International business development director roles at Babcock and Northrop Grumman.

Martin Whittaker, Managing Director for Defence and Aerospace for Survitec said: "We are delighted to welcome Richard to Survitec as the new Director for Global Defence & Aerospace Sales. He brings with him a deep understanding of International market dynamics and a wealth of customer service experience."

Richard said on his appointment: "There has never been a more exciting time to join Survitec. Its decades-long reputation of being a high-end equipment supplier to the defence and aerospace industries is further strengthened as it evolves into a service partner to these sectors. I am delighted to be joining Survitec and a high-performing sales team that is well-positioned to further increase our international growth, global order intake and increased revenues."

Survitec has recently restructured its Defence & Aerospace division to further align the business to its key markets. This has involved close examination of its product lines and distribution channels, as well as a renewed emphasis on its international and regional customer service mix, for a consistently high client experience.



**Picture Caption:**

Richard Mears has been appointed Survitec director for Global Defence & Aerospace Sales



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Survitec is a global leader in survival and safety solutions to the marine, defence, aviation and energy markets. Survitec has over 3,000 employees worldwide covering 8 manufacturing facilities, 15 offshore support centres and over 70 owned service centres. It is further supported by a network of over 500 3rd party service centres and distributors. Throughout its 160-year history, Survitec has remained at the forefront of innovation, design and application engineering and is the trusted name when it comes to critical safety and survival solutions. Survitec's significant pedigree, resource and capability footprint is complemented by an incredibly diverse, fully certified air, land and sea portfolio. This offering enables Survitec's customers to meet critically important performance, safety and duty of care objectives, even in the most demanding environments.

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