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**SELEX Sistemi Integrati wins contract worth 105 million dollars for the new Doha Airport in Qatar**

The new airport in Doha, Qatar, is going to be the first Large System realised by SELEX Sistemi Integrati, a Finmeccanica company, in the ATC (Air Traffic Control) domain. The company will play a leading role, also as integrator of all the equipments for air traffic and meteorological control for the new airport.

SELEX Sistemi Integrati signed a contract with the New Doha International Airport (NDIA) Steering Committee for the value of more than 105 million dollars to design and provide systems for air and ground traffic control. The futuristic airport, which will be completed within 2015, will be able to host about 50 million passengers per year, 320.000 take off and landings per year and a plane parking for 100 aircrafts, included six Airbus A380 at the same time.

In particular, SELEX Sistemi Integrati will provide radars for air and surface traffic control, a complex control centre made of 36 operator working positions enabled for radar data processing and flight plans management, an automated system for departures and arrivals, a complete meteorological system, plus a computerized system for ground movements, nav aids and ground sensors management. Besides, the company will supply a system for data transfer of all airport communications, which will be realised through the installation of an optical fibre ring, due to surround the whole airport area. All systems will be delivered within 21 months from the contract signature.

Already present in Qatar since early Eighties with the delivery of two radars and a control centre for the current Doha Airport, with today's signature SELEX Sistemi Integrati confirms its technological leadership in the ATC/ATM domain and its presence in the Gulf countries. In fact, the Italian company already equipped airports in Abu Dhabi in the United Arab Emirates, and Jeddah e Riyadh in Saudi Arabia. The most recent contract signed by SELEX Sistemi Integrati in the Gulf area refers to the supply to Yemen of a VTS (Vessel Traffic System) system for coastal surveillance, which will contribute to the security along the Yemenite coasts.