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A confident situational awareness picture is paramount in patrolling own territorial waters, from the littoral to the 200 nm border of the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ). This is needed in order to conduct efficient surveillance, policing, inspection, Search & Rescue (SAR), and even combat missions.

The SCANTER 4603 radar provides fully automatic volume surveillance and early detection of multiple simultaneous air- and surface targets. With an extended horizontal detection range of up to 96 nmi, the SCANTER 4603 radar provides a confident situational awareness picture.

The SCANTER 4603 radar is ideally suited for Offshore Patrol Vessels, Fast Attack Craft, Corvettes, and Amphibious Vessels (LPS/LST).

Operational capabilities

Small target detection
The SCANTER 4603 radar relies on X-band for market leading spatial resolution. The high spatial resolution translates into superior target separation, ensuring reliable detection and tracking of very small air and surface targets, and produces a clear and confident high-resolution situational awareness picture (day and night and in all weather conditions). For operations such as surveillance, patrolling, law enforcement, interception, boarding, insertion & extraction, and SAR, the SCANTER 4603 with high spatial resolution is the ideal choice.

Search & Rescue
The combination of simultaneous detection of small surface targets and helicopter control makes the SCANTER 4603 radar a valuable asset in supporting SAR operations.

Operational profiles
To support missions for combat, surveillance, policing, inspection, and SAR, the SCANTER 4603 radar utilizes operational profiles with adaptive suppression of sea and land clutter. The operational profiles ensure easy transition between missions and provide superior target separation to improve planning and coordination for increased mission effectiveness. Dedicated combat profiles with high update rates combined with enhanced accuracy of surface target positions provide Track-While-Scan (TWS) functionality.

Product characteristics

The advanced digital signal processing combined with antenna characteristics (including high gain and narrow beam) delivers unparalleled spatial resolution. The switchable polarization between horizontal and circular ensures rain penetration using X-band, and high resolution for small target detection.

IFF integration
The SCANTER 4603 radar is prepared for integration of various IFF interrogators, providing full advisory and positive aircraft control beyond the capability of a 3D primary surveillance sensor.

Automatic environmental adaptation
To provide a confident domain awareness around own unit, regardless of weather conditions, SCANTER 4603 comes with adaptive suppression of sea and land clutter. Automatic environmental adaptation reduces the load on the operator and ensures a clear and confident high-resolution situational awareness picture.

Electronic counter-countermeasure
All SCANTER naval radars come with ECCM (Electronic Counter CounterMeasure) anti-jamming features for increased platform effectiveness and protection of own platform. Jamming from EW equipment is eliminated by using e.g. low-side-lobe antennas, waveform diversity, pulse compression, reduced sectors, spread spectrum transmission, interference filtering, and Pulse Repetition Frequency (PRF) staggering.

Low life cycle cost
The SCANTER 4603 radar relies on GaN solid state technology to boost performance and reduce maintenance requirements. Line replaceable units are used throughout the family of sensors, ensuring long time sustainment and low life cycle costs. GaN solid state technology provides an MTBF/MTBCF 3 times better than competing technologies.

Configuration options
The SCANTER 4603 comes in a number of power versions and can be combined with various antenna configurations.

Proven track record
Terma has more than 60 years of Surveillance & Mission Systems experience and more than 3,000 radar systems in service worldwide. Navies, Coast Guards, and other high-demanding authorities around the world rely on our high resolution surveillance capabilities for securing the maritime domain and the sea lines of communication.
Operating in the aerospace, defense, and security sector, Terma supports customers and partners all over the world. With more than 1,300 committed employees globally, we develop and manufacture mission-critical products and solutions that meet exacting customer requirements.

At Terma, we believe in the premise that creating customer value is not just about strong engineering and manufacturing skills. It is also about being able to apply these skills in the context of our customers’ specific needs. Only through close collaboration and dialog can we deliver a level of partnership and integration unmatched in the industry.

Our business activities, products, and systems include: command and control systems; radar systems; self-protection systems for ships and aircraft; space technology; and advanced aerostructures for the aircraft industry.

Terma has decades of hands-on know-how in supporting and maintaining mission-critical systems in some of the world’s most hostile areas. Terma Support & Services offers Through Life support of all our products to maximize operational availability, enhance platform lifetime, and ensure the best possible cost of ownership.

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