The $35 billion SEA 5000 program will see the replacement of eight Anzac class frigates with a new fleet of nine anti-submarine warfare frigates. The vessels will be equipped with a range of offensive and self-protection systems and will incorporate the Australian-developed CEA Phased-Array Radar. Three designers have been short-listed to participate in the next stage of the Competitive Evaluation Program (CEP):

• BAE Systems (United Kingdom) with the Type 26 Frigate;
• Fincantieri (Italy) with the FREMM Frigate; and
• Navantia (Spain) with a redesigned F100 class vessel.

All three of the short listed companies and CEA Technologies have confirmed their participation at PACIFIC 2017. The Program is a key pillar of the Government’s plan to modernise Australia’s naval capabilities and create a sustainable naval shipbuilding industry.

The company says that innovation is in its DNA and that it pushes the boundaries, breaks convention and continues to develop clever solutions to keep people and society safe. The company’s engineers are experienced software, hardware and combat systems integration professionals. Saab Australia employs more than 350 staff, among them highly competent systems integrators and combat systems integration engineers.

The company will also display its range of surveillance systems, underwater vehicles, missile systems, mixed reality, unmanned vehicles, surface vessel technology and integrated communications systems.

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The Royal Australian Navy will demonstrate its new generation helicopters at the Australian International Airshow and Aerospace & Defence Exposition (28 February - 5 March).

Among them will be the MH-60R and the MRH-90 Taipan. The MRH-90 Taipan Romeo is the Navy’s latest submarine hunter and anti-surface warfare helicopter. It boasts a sophisticated suite of sensors and weapons systems including an Arleigh Burke-class destroyer and the USS Harry S. Truman-class aircraft carrier.

The Seahawk is also capable of search and rescue, logistic support, personal transport and medical evacuation. The Taipan is a multi-role helicopter and has replaced the Navy’s Fleet of Sea King Helicopters. Visit the Airshow website: www.airshow.com.au

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