

## DIRECTOR OF THE PIAP INSTITUTE: WE WILL DELIVER ONE ROBOT FOR THE MILITARY IN 2019, AND IN 2020 AND 2021 - 17 EXAMPLES EACH YEAR

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**According to the contract signed on Tuesday, PIAP is going to deliver a single robot to the Polish military in 2019 and 17 robots each year, during the years 2020-2021 - stated the Director the PIAP institute, professor Piotr Szykarczyk. He also announced that the value of the auxiliary equipment constitutes at least half of the value of the robots themselves.**

Director of the Industrial Research Institute for Automation and Measurements (PIAP) stressed the fact that the contract signed last Tuesday constitutes the second delivery of PIAP's products that is destined to be received by the Polish military. *Its relevance comes in a form of the fact that when selling the product abroad, we need to answer a question whether our soldiers use these robots. Now, with a much greater courage, we will be able to say that indeed, they are using them* - Szykarczyk said.

As clarified by the PIAP's representative, the PIAP RMI® Robot showcased on Tuesday (Robot Mobilny Interwencyjny - Mobile Intervention Robot) is going to act as a basis for robots that would be received by the military. According to the PIAP's director, RMI® meets most of the requirements. The most important modifications will concern the survivability of the system, as well as integration of that system with tools, sensors and armament indicated by the Armed Forces. The whole design will also undergo modernization. Professor Szykarczyk stressed that PIAP yields full control over the technologies the company uses in its robots.

*The delivery schedule is very specific. Next year a single example, following a test programme, will be handed off to the user for testing. 17 examples would follow, during both subsequent years.*

*Professor Piotr Szykarczyk, Director of the PIAP Industrial Research Institute for Automation and Measurements.*

When asked about the contract value (81 million zlotys is the pricetag for 35 robot kits), the Director noted that not only does the price cover robots, but it also concerns the equipment of these robots At least half of the price of a single example covers the equipment of the robot - Szykarczyk noted.