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## Missile Defense: A European Perspective

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# Outline

- The Debate in Germany
- Russia's Concerns
- French Interests
- Poland & The Czech Republic
- NATO Activities

# The Debate in Germany

- Threat Perception
- "Traditionalists" vs. "Defenders"
- Too many Cold War Arguments

# Russia's Concerns

- MD: A Threat to Russia?
- No further NATO Enlargement
- No US/NATO Troops in new NATO Member States

# Poland & The Czech Republic

- Strong Ties with the USA
- US "Boots on the Ground"
- Defense Support (Armament)
- US Investments

# French Interests

- A "Silent Revolution" on MD
- More Influence in NATO Affairs
- Economy & Technology

# NATO Activities

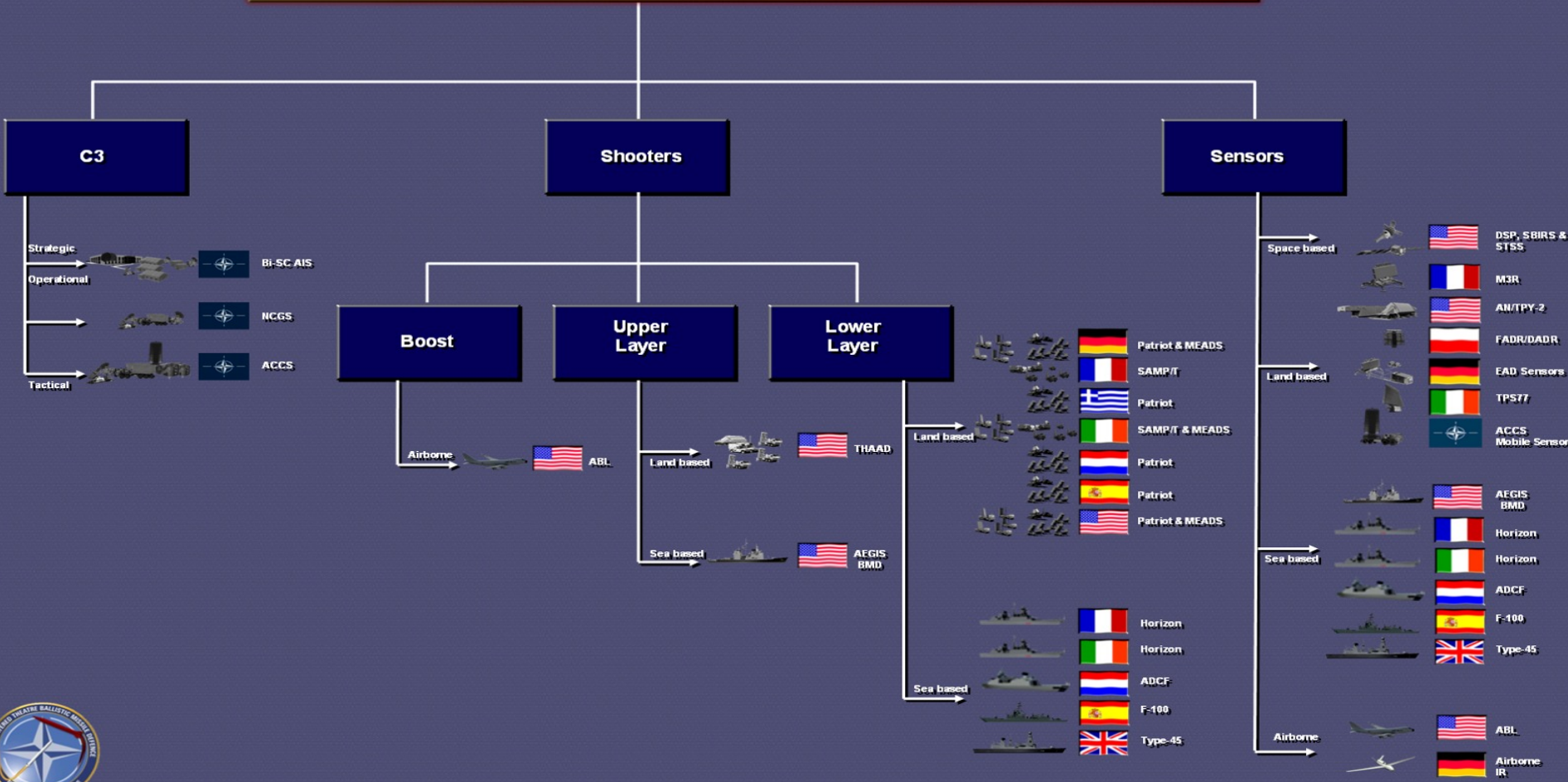
- MD Feasibility Study
- ALTBMD
- US Protection for Europe?

# ICBM Iran → USA





# NATO ALTBMD



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