

Press Release

e-GEOS will lead a European industrial team that will develop an innovative ISR (Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance) platform, using Earth Observation data

- **e-GEOS, set up by Telespazio (a Leonardo subsidiary) and the Italian Space Agency, was awarded a contract by the European Commission as part of the European Defence Industrial Development Programme (EDIDP)**
- **Via e-GEOS, Leonardo consolidates its leadership position in the geoinformation sector, contributing towards extending Europe's competitiveness**

Rome, 19 June 2020 - e-GEOS, a Company set up by Telespazio (80%) and the Italian Space Agency (20%) has been awarded a contract by the European Commission for the PEONEER (Persistent Earth Observation for actioNable intElligence survEillance and Reconnaissance) project, which is part of the European Union's European Defence Industrial Development Programme (EDIDP).

As head of a team of European industrial companies, e-GEOS will develop an Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance software platform, able to improve and speed up decision-making processes. This will be done using data from satellites and other sources, as well as artificial intelligence technologies, for automated real-time processing of information.

This platform will support the Defence Ministries in carrying out intelligence operations, by automatically extracting and recognising information, using artificial intelligence techniques, for land and maritime applications.

e-GEOS will head an industrial consortium made up of: Airbus Defence and Space and Earthcube (France); Hisdesat Servicios Estrategicos and ATEM NUEVAS TECNOLOGIAS (Spain); TERMA Group (Denmark), Elsis (Lithuania); Spacemetric (Sweden); TOVEK, spol. s r.o (Czech Republic); and DefSecIntel Solutions (Estonia).

"For e-GEOS this important recognition on the part of the European Commission is a decisive step in the Company's positioning in the Defence and Intelligence sector. We wish to thank the Italian Defence Ministry for all the support they have given us in recent months", said Paolo Minciocchi, CEO of e-GEOS and Head of Telespazio's Geoinformation Line of Business.

e-GEOS, an Italian Space Agency (20%) and Telespazio (80%) company, is a leading international player in the geo-spatial business. e-GEOS offers a whole range of products and services in the Earth Observation and in the geo-spatial application domains, based on both optical and radar satellites as well as on aerial surveys. e-GEOS operates its Earth Observation centres in Matera and Neustrelitz, where data from multiple satellites are received and processed, also for near-real-time monitoring. As the European hub for very high resolution data, e-GEOS grants a unique access to COSMO-SkyMed, IRS, ALOS, DigitalGlobe, Radarsat-1&2 satellites.