OneWeb and Telespazio sign Distribution Partnership Agreement to deliver OneWeb services in Europe

The joint venture between Leonardo and Thales already offers hosting services for the OneWeb gateways

23 February 2022 – OneWeb, the low Earth orbit (LEO) satellite communications company, and Telespazio, a joint venture between Leonardo (67%) and Thales (33%), have signed a Distribution Partnership Agreement to deliver OneWeb services to commercial and government customers in Europe.

This agreement once again confirms the already running cooperation between OneWeb and Telespazio so far based on the hosting facilities and services at Telespazio’s teleports for OneWeb’s gateways in Europe and Latin America.

Telespazio is a dynamic and growing presence in the area of satellite telecommunication services for commercial and government customers in Europe and worldwide.

This specific agreement has been signed by Telespazio France, a Telespazio subsidiary with head office in Toulouse. As part of Telespazio Group, Telespazio France owns several key framework contracts in France to deliver managed services to the French Government, the French Ministry of Defence and other government departments to support end users engaged in critical missions.

OneWeb and Telespazio France will be closely focused on meeting customer expectations in terms of quality, performance and budgets to enable new usage, improve mobility and bring additional flexibility for end users. The partnership will further enhance Telespazio France’s high throughput and low latency and help to meet the new requirements and expectations of the company’s end users.

OneWeb has an extensive network, designed for global coverage, which is uniquely capable of bridging a long-standing connectivity gap and building secure communications capabilities in underserved regions. The business will further benefit from Telespazio France’s experience and outstanding references as a trusted and recognized service provider to deliver its innovative LEO satellite telecommunication services to a large customer base.

Dylan Browne, Head of Government Services, OneWeb said: “We are extremely proud to be in partnership with Telespazio France, given their outstanding experience and track-record. We look forward to introducing services together in the coming year.”

Jean-Marc Gardin, Telespazio France CEO commented: “We are really proud to partner with OneWeb. Moreover, we feel like we are taking an innovative new step in the area of satellite communication services. We believe that the relationship between humankind and space is
essential to our life on Earth and that this partnership is fully in line with these values and this vision.”

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**About OneWeb**

OneWeb is a global communications network powered from space, headquartered in London, enabling connectivity for governments, businesses and communities. It is implementing a constellation of Low Earth Orbit satellites with a network of global gateway stations and a range of user terminals to provide an affordable, fast, high-bandwidth and low-latency communications service, connected to the IoT future, and a pathway to 5G for everyone, everywhere. Find out more at http://www.oneweb.world

**About Telespazio**

Telespazio, a Leonardo (67%) and Thales (33%) joint venture, is one of the world’s leading operators in satellite services and space. Founded in 1961 and based in Rome, in 2020 Telespazio generated revenues of EUR 540 million while employing 3,000 people in nine countries through its various subsidiaries and joint ventures. www.telespazio.com

Based in Toulouse, Bordeaux, Paris and Kourou (French Guyana), the flagship cities of France’s space sector, Telespazio France is a key player in space infrastructure operations and value-added satellite-based services. With more than 30 years of expertise, employing more than 435 people, the French subsidiary covers all of the key domains of space: Telecommunications, Earth observation and navigation. www.telespazio.fr/

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