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## Telespazio and Hughes Europe launch Konnect VHTS services

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Telespazio, a Leonardo (67%) and Thales (33%) joint venture, will collaborate with Hughes Europe, an EchoStar company (Nasdaq: SATS), to introduce cutting-edge connectivity services through the innovative Eutelsat Konnect VHTS (K-VHTS) satellite, built by Thales Alenia Space, a Thales (67%) and Leonardo (33%) joint venture.

The K-VHTS satellite is known for having a very high throughput, delivering 230 beams over Western Europe and a Ka-band capacity of 500 Gbps, which makes it the largest geostationary satellite ordered to date in Europe. The K-VHTS satellite is built on the Hughes JUPITER™ System, and the companies will utilize Hughes JUPITER terminals.

The use of cloud-based applications is increasing and driving the need for reliable, high-performance connections. The collaboration between Telespazio and Hughes Europe will enable governments to use modern applications and provide online services to their citizens.

Telespazio is the exclusive commercial provider for the defense, government, and security services.

The collaboration seeks to harness the extensive experience of Hughes in satellite broadband managed services and user terminal manufacturing, complemented by Telespazio's outstanding history as a service provider in the Satcom industry.

The agreement between the two industry leaders will take charge of the K-VHTS services launch phase, targeting both the Government and Enterprise broadband market segments across Europe. The companies are poised to bring forth exciting possibilities in the realm of satellite connectivity and services.

“I am pleased to share with a champion like Hughes Network Systems Europe the ambition to provide revolutionary services for the government and enterprise markets. Our respective expertise and geographic presence form the ideal basis for achieving our goals” says Alessandro Caranci, SVP Satellite Communication Line of Business of Telespazio.

“The Hughes JUPITER System is the de facto standard for satellite implementations worldwide. The Konnect VHTS satellite uses our JUPITER system, and we are excited to work with Telespazio and provide customers with reliable, high-speed connectivity solutions,” said Chris Britton, managing director, Hughes Europe. “This announcement reflects the value of our longstanding relationship and a shared commitment to support our customers with extraordinary technology and exceptional customer service.”

For more information and to follow along on the journey, visit the [Telespazio](#) and [Hughes Europe websites](#).