

**PRESS RELEASE**

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**Telespazio hosted a European SatCom Event at Fucino Space Centre**

On September 11 and 12, Telespazio - a Leonardo and Thales 67/33 joint venture - hosted the 26th EU SatCom Market Joint Procurement Arrangement Meeting Group (JPA MG) at its Fucino Space Centre. This event gathered representatives from EU Ministries of Defence (MoDs); EU CSDP actors and EU Agencies in a hybrid format, facilitating interactive discussions on the latest advancements in satellite communications (SatCom) and their importance to European defence.

Participants had the unique opportunity to visit the Fucino Space Centre, the world's largest commercial teleport, and explore one of Europe's most historic SatCom locations.

Running parallel to the JPA MG meeting, Telespazio also hosted the 8th EU SatCom Market Event, bringing together approximately 20 trusted industry partners. These partners exhibited their cutting-edge technologies and services, all featured in the EU SatCom Market Services Catalogue.

From GEO, MEO to LEO satellites, and both fixed and mobile communication solutions, the event provided a platform for discussing the ongoing technological progress in the space and security sectors, European strategies for future space endeavors, and the need for stronger collaboration between governments and industry to enhance Europe's defence capabilities.

Alessandro Caranci, SVP LoB SATCOM of Telespazio, declared: *"Telespazio, as a trusted Meta Operator for governmental and military customers, is facilitating in an agnostic way the access to increasingly various and disruptive space solutions to end-users he knows intimately. Thus, making sure to offer the most adapted solution or mix of solutions at optimum economic conditions."*

The Telespazio Fucino Space Centre is expected to take on an increasingly significant role in managing key EU space programs. This event further stimulated cooperation between institutional and private sector partners, underlining the critical importance of this collaboration for Europe's defence and space capabilities.

Corinne MAILLES, Deputy CEO of Telespazio France, said: *"Our role of meta operator for EU Satcom Market requires a close cooperation with European Defence Agency, Contributing Members end-users and an extensive set of industry providers who all have in common a sole objective: serve efficiently with utmost resilience and reactivity the Contributing Members Forces in their operations"*.

Earlier this year, in January 2024, Telespazio was awarded the framework contract for Commercial SatCom Services by the European Defence Agency (EDA), through its subsidiary Telespazio France. This contract solidifies Telespazio's position as a leading provider of space technologies and services for EU Member States and institutions as well as CSDP actors. Since its inception, Telespazio has consistently been a trusted partner for institutions across Europe, offering world-

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Telespazio, a Leonardo and Thales 67:33 joint venture, is one of the world's leading operators in space services. Its activities range from the design and development of space systems to the management of launch services and in-orbit satellite control, from Earth observation, integrated communications, satellite navigation and localisation services to scientific programmes. The company plays a leading role in the reference markets, supported by its infrastructure and the technological experience acquired in over 60 years of activity, which include participation in space programmes such as Galileo, EGNOS, Copernicus and COSMO-SkyMed. Telespazio, which is Thales Alenia Space's partner in the "Space Alliance", generated sales of EUR 700 million in 2023 while employing 3,300 people in 15 different countries.

class expertise in the management of space assets and SatCom services to enhance the continent's defence and security operations.