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Telespazio wins a contract with the Romanian National Television

Telespazio, a joint venture between Leonardo (67%) and Thales (33%), has won, through its subsidiary RARTEL, a tender for the supply of the satellite distribution services for the channel bouquet of the Romanian National Television (TVR).

The contract, which has a value of approximately €16 million for a duration of 5 years, envisages the satellite distribution of all the high-definition TVR channels over the Romanian territory and of the "TVR International" channel throughout the whole of Europe, through the DTH (Direct To Home) digital TV platforms of Telespazio on the Eutelsat HotBird satellite operating at the Fucino Space Centre and monitored by the Lario Space Centre.

Telespazio will also distribute the "TVR International" signal in North America, through the Galaxy 19 satellite, and in Australia and New Zealand, by means of the Optus D2 satellite.

The transmission of Romanian National Television channels follows other public television stations broadcast by Telespazio via satellite. Among these are RAI, Al Jazeera, Telewizja Polska from Poland, and RLK Sat from Cyprus.

Telespazio can rely on its long experience in the radio-television broadcasting and satellite communications sector, with a portfolio of technologically advanced products and services capable of guaranteeing customers secure, reliable and available solutions on a global scale. Telespazio, thanks to the infrastructures of the Fucino and Lario space centres and to the systems it built and operates at the facilities of its customers, is the national leader, as well as one of the major European players, in the satellite radio-television market.

Telespazio has been operating in Romania since 1998 through RARTEL SA, a company in which it is the majority shareholder in a joint venture with RADIOCOM (Societatea Națională de Radiocomunicații SA, controlled by the Ministry of Transport). RARTEL is based in Bucharest and is specialised in satellite services and applications.