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SPACE APPLICATIONS SERVICES JOINS STARLAB AS STRATEGIC PARTNER AND EQUITY OWNER



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Space Applications Services, a Belgian leader in space engineering and payload integration, has joined Starlab Space LLC as a strategic partner and equity owner. This partnership represents a major milestone for Space Applications Services, expands Starlab's global footprint as the next-generation commercial space station designed to succeed the International Space Station, and enhances the capabilities available to Starlab customers.

Through this collaboration, Space Applications Services will contribute its recognized expertise in space systems, mission operations, and payload integration. The company is notably behind the International Commercial Experiment Cubes (ICECubes) service, as well as advanced avionics and mission control software solutions. These capabilities will strengthen Starlab's offering and create new opportunities for the European scientific and industrial community.

"We are proud to join Starlab as both an investor and a partner," said Richard Aked, CEO of Space Applications Services. "This is a major milestone for Belgium's space industry in the development of the next commercial space station. This collaboration aligns with our mission to broaden access to space and foster scientific innovation."

The partnership also includes the development of Space Innovation Laboratories across Europe. These ground-based facilities will provide universities and companies with access to microgravity research environments, preparing future experiments for Starlab's orbital platform.

"The addition of Space Applications Services confirms our ambition to move rapidly from design to reality. Together, we are building the next generation of commercial space stations and opening the door to a new era of exploration and research," added Marshall Smith, CEO of StarLab.

About Space Applications Services

Headquartered in Zaventem, Belgium, Space Applications Services develops advanced technologies for human spaceflight, exploration, and Earth observation. The company works with agencies such as ESA, NASA, and the European Commission, delivering mission-critical systems including robotics, avionics, astronaut training, and ISS operations.

About Starlab

Starlab Space is a global joint venture bringing together Voyager Technologies, Airbus, Mitsubishi Corporation, MDA Space, Palantir Technologies, and Space Applications Services, with strategic partners including Hilton, Northrop Grumman, and The Ohio State University. Starlab is developing a next-generation commercial space station to ensure continued human presence in low-Earth orbit and support scientific research after the ISS.



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