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Space ISAC Celebrates National Space Month with the Opening of General Membership

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COLORADO SPRINGS, CO, May 1, 2020 – Today on the first day of National Space Month, the [Space Information Sharing and Analysis Center](#) (ISAC) announced the opening of general membership applications to join the Space ISAC. Potential new members are encouraged to visit s-isac.org/membership to begin the application process.

The Space ISAC serves to facilitate collaboration across the global space industry to enhance our ability to prepare for and respond to vulnerabilities, incidents, and threats; to disseminate timely and actionable information among member entities; and to serve as the primary communications channel for the space sector with respect to this information. This will be made possible through collaboration of a broad membership that spans the entire horizon of the space industry, including organizations large and small involved in the space supply chain, space missions, education and research, space business systems, cybersecurity, and more.

David Weissmiller, Chair of the Space ISAC Member and Benefits Committee and Director of

Parsons Space Solutions, said, “The Space ISAC is excited to announce our grand opening of our membership for the international space industry. On behalf of the Board of Directors, we welcome you. Our team of has been diligently working to bring you the first industry-led, collaboration-driven, threat analysis organization of its kind. This is an unprecedented opportunity to share lessons learned, receive threat analysis feedback from government stake holders and represent your company as a space industry leader. If you are in the space community, you should be a part of the Space ISAC. This includes space launch, satellite command and control, space support, cyber security and all other space market sectors. Come visit our website and let our staff answer your questions. I look forward to talking with you in the future.”

Organizations eligible for membership are those involved in space situational awareness; space intelligence, surveillance, and recon; space environment; NUDET detection; space mission systems; satellite design and development; satellite and payload integration; positioning, navigation, and timing; satellite communications; missile warning; space lift; cloud and data processing; launch vehicle manufacturing; ground systems; and/or cybersecurity. Potential members will be vetted to ensure organizational integrity and protect the Space ISAC’s trusted sharing environment.

Once through the application and vetting process, Space ISAC members will have:

- **ACCESS:** to a global network of space sector leaders, analysts, executives and practitioners from the private and public sectors to share critical information and best practices.
- **INTELLIGENCE:** by the end of Summer 2020, Space ISAC will launch its threat-sharing and analysis portal to enable in a high-trust, peer sharing environment shares among its members and trusted sources critical cyber-intelligence, alerts, indicators, member insights, threat assessments, and analysis.
- **COLLABORATION:** facilitation of collaboration across the global space industry to enhance preparedness and response to vulnerabilities, incidents, and threats and to disseminate timely and actionable information among member entities.
- **ASSISTANCE:** offers members multiple efforts to learn and strengthen space mission performance despite the potential ongoing occurrence of cyber and physical attacks.
- **RESOURCES:** workshops, an annual summit, meetings, webinars and working groups and open lines of communication with the global space community.

Together, Space ISAC members will lead the global space community to identify and respond to threats and mitigating risks to the space mission and regularly convene to protect the space sector and reduce operational costs by sharing threat intel, analyzing trends, conducting workshops and gaining firsthand knowledge through training.

Erin Miller, Vice President of Operations for Space ISAC at the National Cybersecurity Center,

said, “Today as we open the Space ISAC to general membership, we are opening access for the entire global space community to share threats with one another to mitigate risks to missions, including future launches, cloud computing systems, satellite communications, supply chain and business systems. The risks facing the space industry's growth are numerous, so sharing best practices and benchmarking will revolutionize our ability to travel to the moon, to Mars, communicate using 5G & 6G networks and maintain our geolocation services.”

The Space ISAC is the only space-dedicated ISAC and is made possible through the investment by its board and founding members. Its board, which [held its third meeting in March](#), is comprised of leaders in the space industry, cybersecurity sectors, academia, and FFRDCs, and includes [Kratos Defense & Security Solutions, Inc.](#) (NASDAQ: KTOS), [Booz Allen Hamilton](#) (NYSE: BAH), [MITRE](#), [SES](#), [Lockheed Martin](#) (NYSE: LMT), [Northrop Grumman](#) (NYSE: NOC), [Parsons Corporation](#) (NYSE: PSN), [Purdue University](#), the [Space Dynamics Laboratory](#), the [Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory](#), the [Aerospace Corporation](#), and the [University of Colorado Colorado Springs](#). Each board member has a role in fulfilling the mission of the ISAC.

To visit the brand-new Space ISAC website, please visit: www.s-isac.org.

BACKGROUND

ISACs are sector-specific, member-driven organizations stood up by the commercial sector with support from the federal government to collect, analyze, and disseminate cyber and physical security threats and risk mitigation information to critical infrastructure owners, operators, and members to increase resiliency.

The need for a Space ISAC was conceived by the Science & Technology Partnership Forum in 2017 in response to recognized information sharing gaps within the cybersecurity and space community with the goal of enhancing the community's ability to prepare for and respond to vulnerabilities, incidents, and threats; disseminate timely information; and serve as the primary communications channel for the sector with respect to this information. The Forum shared this vision at the 34th Space Symposium in April 2018. In September 2018, the White House published the [White House's National Cyber Strategy](#), which stated that “the Administration will enhance efforts to protect our space assets and support infrastructure from evolving cyber threats,” while working “with industry and international partners to strengthen the cyber resilience of existing and future space systems.”

The Space ISAC was announced in April 2019 during a classified session at the 35th Space Symposium and is headquartered in Colorado Springs, CO, co-located with the National Cybersecurity Center (NCC). NCC serves as the executive, operational, and administrative function of the Space ISAC.

FOUNDING MEMBERS

About Kratos Defense & Security Solutions, Inc.

Kratos develops and fields transformative, affordable technology, platforms and systems for United States National Security related customers, allies and commercial enterprises. Kratos is changing the way breakthrough technology for these industries are rapidly brought to market through proven commercial and venture capital backed approaches, including proactive research and streamlined development processes. Kratos specializes in unmanned systems, satellite communications, cyber security/warfare, microwave electronics, missile defense, hypersonic systems, training and combat systems, and next-generation turbojet and turbo-fan engine development. For more information go to www.KratosDefense.com.

About Booz Allen Hamilton

For more than 100 years, military, government, and business leaders have turned to Booz Allen Hamilton (NYSE: BAH) to solve their most complex problems. As a consulting firm with experts in analytics, digital, engineering, and cyber, we help organizations transform. We are a key partner on some of the most innovative programs for governments worldwide and trusted by their most sensitive agencies. We work shoulder to shoulder with clients, using a mission-first approach to choose the right strategy and technology to help them realize their vision. With global headquarters in McLean, Virginia and more than 80 offices worldwide, our firm employs more than 26,100 people and had revenue of \$6.7 billion for the 12 months ending March 31, 2019. To learn more, visit www.BoozAllen.com.

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SES is the world's leading satellite operator with over 70 satellites in two different orbits, Geostationary Orbit (GEO) and Medium Earth Orbit (MEO). It provides a diverse range of customers with global video distribution and data connectivity services through two business units: SES Video and SES Networks. SES Video reaches over 355 million TV homes, through Direct-to-Home (DTH) platforms and cable, terrestrial, and IPTV networks globally. SES Video delivers a full suite of innovative end-to-end value-added services for both linear and digital distribution, and includes the ASTRA satellite system, which has the largest DTH television reach in Europe. SES Networks provides global managed data services, connecting people in a variety of sectors including telecommunications, maritime, aeronautical, and energy, as well as governments and institutions across the world. The SES Networks portfolio includes GovSat, a 50/50 public-private partnership between SES and the Luxembourg government, and O3b, the only non-geostationary system delivering fibre-like broadband services today. Further information is available at: www.ses.com.

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Headquartered in Bethesda, Maryland, Lockheed Martin (NYSE: LMT) is a global security and aerospace company that employs approximately 105,000 people worldwide and is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture, integration and sustainment of advanced technology systems, products and services. For more information, visit www.lockheedmartin.com/cyber.

About Parsons

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Purdue University, a top public research institution, offers higher education at its highest proven value. Committed to affordability, the university has frozen tuition and most fees at 2012-13 levels, all while offering degrees from top-10-ranked Colleges of Engineering, Agriculture, and Pharmacy. Purdue is ranked 17th for public universities by U.S. News and World Report and established the nation's first Department of Computer Science in 1962. Its cybersecurity program is similarly groundbreaking and is currently ranked the No. 2 cyber school. With 24 alumni who became NASA astronauts, including the first and most recent person on the moon, Purdue is called the "Cradle of Astronauts." Committed to pursuing scientific discoveries and engineered solutions, Purdue has streamlined pathways for faculty and student innovators who have a vision for engaging with the private sector and moving the world forward. Further information is available at: www.purdue.edu.

About the Space Dynamics Laboratory

The Space Dynamics Laboratory (SDL) has been solving the technical challenges faced by the military, science community, and industry for six decades and supports NASA's vision to reveal the unknown for the benefit of humankind. As one of 14 University Affiliated Research Centers, SDL serves as a subject matter expert in its core research areas to the U.S. Government, ensuring that essential engineering and technology capabilities are maintained. SDL is a research laboratory headquartered in North Logan, UT, and has offices in Albuquerque, NM; Bedford, MA; Dayton, OH; Huntsville, AL; Houston, TX; Los Angeles, CA; Stafford, VA; and Washington, DC. For more information, visit www.sdl.usu.edu.

About Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory

The Applied Physics Laboratory, a not-for-profit division of The Johns Hopkins University, meets critical national challenges through the innovative application of science and technology. For more information, visit www.jhuapl.edu.

About The Aerospace Corporation

The Aerospace Corporation is a national nonprofit corporation that operates a federally funded research and development center and has approximately 4,000 employees. With major locations in El Segundo, CA; Albuquerque, NM; Colorado Springs, CO; and the Washington, DC region, Aerospace addresses complex problems across the space enterprise and other areas of national significance through agility, innovation, and objective technical leadership. For more information, visit www.aerospace.org. Follow us on Twitter: [@AerospaceCorp](https://twitter.com/AerospaceCorp).

About University of Colorado Colorado Springs

The University of Colorado Colorado Springs (UCCS) offers 52 bachelor's, 24 master's and eight doctoral degree programs. UCCS enrolls more than 12,000 students on campus. For more information, visit www.uccs.edu.

About the National Cybersecurity Center

The National Cybersecurity Center (NCC) is recognized as a leader in cybersecurity and serves as the executive, operational, and administrative arm of the Space ISAC. Locating the Space ISAC at the NCC allows Space ISAC members to have access to Colorado's space and cybersecurity ecosystems within the commercial and defense sectors and to the talents of the premier higher education institutions developing cybersecurity engineers. Together, NCC and the Space ISAC serve cyber influencers from the commercial sector, academia, government, and military and empower people to secure commercial, international, and military space communications from attacks on our global space assets. They are jointly building a research and development capability, cybersecurity training curriculum, and an analysis portal. With the addition of the Space ISAC, NCC is offering training on secure GPS and hosts a dialogue on the importance of international and commercial satellites on military communication at the annual Cyber Symposium. Visit www.cyber-center.org for more information.

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