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Satellite & NewSpace Snapshot

INDUSTRY INSIGHTS - LATEST NEWS

May but no Mayday – Satellite & Space has been busy with good news and major announcements!

The white heat of technology was visible in our markets this month with things heating up as we get closer to summer. We saw an April chock-full of investments, partnerships, launch agreements, funding rounds and more. It's left us with a lot to discuss in this month's snapshot of Satellite & Space, and this we are grateful for.

Before we begin however, we pay our respects to a hero who left this planet for the final time this month, on the journey to complete solitude that we all must eventually take. Ad astra, Michael Collins.

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[OneWeb Launches Another 36 Satellites And Are On Track To Hit Their Five to 50 Target](#)

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Eutelsat Take Significant Equity Stake In OneWeb

A major announcement here as Eutelsat acquire a similar stake in OneWeb to that of Bharti Global and the British Government. This represents a major vote of confidence in OneWeb and a great chance for both companies to explore LEO/GEO opportunities. The phoenix continues to rise!

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Spire Global Sign Second Agreement with Findus Venture

Spire have announced their second agreement with Australian NewSpace investor Findus Venture. Their collaboration will see them launch ADLER-2 to study aerosols in the atmosphere and monitor orbital debris in LEO. They've got their work cut out!

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SpaceLink Continue Growth And Add Several Top Space Execs To Team

Featuring for the second month running highlights the continued growth of SpaceLink, as does the addition of not one, nor two, but three seasoned space executives to the team. Buckle up, because SpaceLink are zooming along the information highway for space economy!

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Isar Aerospace Sign Exclusive Twenty-Year Launch Pad Agreement

Launch solutions provider Isar Aerospace has secured exclusive access to Nordic island Andøya's launch pad for up to twenty years. It was then announced that Airbus will use Isar for a small EO satellite launch in LEO. Good show!

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Amazon Secure ULA Atlas-V Rocket For Nine Kuiper Launches

United Launch Alliance have announced that Amazon has secured their ATLAS-V rocket for nine launches for their lofty LEO endeavour, Project Kuiper. Another step towards constructing the bridge over the digital divide.

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Satellite Vu Raise \$5m For Thermal Insights To Support Green Revolution

Infrared Earth Observation company, Satellite Vu, have announced their successful seed round, led by Seraphim Capital, that will work towards launching a world's first constellation capable of imaging any buildings' thermal footprint every 1-2 hours. A noble cause, driving forward a net zero emissions mission!

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Hawkeye 360 Secure \$55m In Funding Round C

Hawkeye 360 have secured \$55m in additional funding, led by NightDragon, bringing their total raised to over \$155m. The funding will support the development and launch of three additional satellite clusters as part of Hawkeye's overall constellation plans.

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Innovative Satellite Internet Company, Astranis, Raise \$250m In Newest Round

Geostationary communications operator and manufacturer, Astranis, have raised \$250m, bringing their total funding to \$350m with a company valuation of \$1.4b. This will allow them to scale production of their platform and they are building their first commercial satellite as I type!

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