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## Lunar Eclipse Stand Aside! The Satellite and NewSpace is Lighting up the Night Sky.

Despite the solar eclipse casting darkness on the earth the Satellite and Newspace industry shines brighter than ever!

April marked a pivotal moment for NewSpace advancements with the unveiling of significant geospatial contracts, major launch partnerships, and astronomical ventures in space exploration all pointing towards promising horizons.

Furthermore, as discussions of a merger between two industry giants are picked back up, we are left at the edge of our seats eagerly anticipating what is to come next!

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## Featured Companies

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| SES             | Space X               |
| Intelsat        | Intuitive Machines    |
| Satellogic      | Exolaunch             |
| TESAT-Spacecomm | HawkEye360            |
| Airbus          | PLD Space             |
| Vast            | Kepler Communications |

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## SES to acquire Intelsat

SES and Intelsat have reached an agreement to become one multi-orbit operator, with SES acquiring Intelsat for €2.8 billion pending regulatory approvals. This merger will greatly enhance the company's competitive offerings allowing for greater coverage, resiliency and capabilities of their product and services.

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## Neuraspace launched their latest STM Platform

Neuraspace has launched SYNC, a free version of their Space Traffic Management Platform, alongside their subscription based PRO tier. Both tiers enable real-time cooperation among satellite operators providing crucial insight to track objects and mitigate collision risks.

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## Satelloic Partners and O.N.E. Amazon to build 'Internet of Forrest'

Satelloic signed a letter of intent with O.N.E Amazon to build their 'Internet of Forests' to monitor the Amazon's ecosystem. Using Satelloic's high-resolution imaging satellites and ai technologies the large-scale sensor network will monitor key variables within the Amazon forest to track environmental and social change.

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## Exolaunch signs with HawkEye360 on Multiple Launch Agreement

European launch service provider, Exolaunch announced a multi-mission agreement for their launch and deployment services with geospatial intelligence company HawkEye360. This promising collaboration will cover the launch and deployment for at least 10 of HawkEye360's radio satellites with the first three launching earlier this April.

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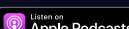
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## Kepler Communications to lead in the development of In-Space Optical Communication Network

Kepler Communications has partnered with TESAT-Spacecom and Airbus to build the first operational optical multi-orbit transport network. The project will capitalise of Kepler's spacecraft expertise, TESAT's optical technology and Airbus system engineering and will support LEO initiative like ESA's HyDRON programme.

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## Vast's selects Space X Laser Terminal for Haven-1

Vast's Haven-1, scheduled to be the world's first commercial space station will be equipped with Space X Starlink laser terminal to provide connectivity to its crew users, internal racks, and external instruments. Furthermore, beyond Haven-1, Vast and Space X have also reached an agreement to supply Starlink connectivity to future Vast platforms.

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## Intuitive Machines awarded \$30 million Contract from NASA

NASA has awarded Intuitive Machines Inc \$30 million to conduct a feasibility assessment for a Lunar Terrain Vehicle (LTV) deployment on the Moon. Intuitive Machines, the prime contractor on this initiative will utilize its Moon Reusable Autonomous Crewed Exploration Rover (RACER) partners to develop a robust LTV architecture, designed to return humans to the lunar surface under NASA's Artemis Campaign.

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## PLD Space Raises Funding for Expansion of Miura 5 Rocket

Spanish company PLD Space announced they have successfully raised 120 million euros in funding. The company is developing innovative small launch vehicles and will use the funding to expand their workforce and ramp up efforts on the production facilities of their small launch vehicles Miura 5 placing them in a great position ahead of their commercial launches in 2026.

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