

Planetek Hellas awarded €11.5 Million Contracts from ESA for the Governmental HUB of the Greek Earth Observation Satellite Constellation

Athens, Greece, [September 23, 2024] – Planetek Hellas, a Greek company operating from Athens since 2006 and a leading provider in Europe of geospatial solutions, proudly announces that has been awarded two contracts worth €11.5 million from the European Space Agency (ESA). These contracts are for the development and delivery of a comprehensive Governmental Hub for the Greek Earth Observation Satellite Constellation. This initiative is part of the Axis III of the National Greek Space Satellite Project which is funded by the National Recovery and Resilience Plan, Greece 2.0 and represents a significant milestone in Greece's commitment to advancing space technology and enhancing the national capabilities in Earth Observation.



Illustrative image representing the concept of a Governmental HUB for the Greek Earth Observation Satellite Constellation

Under the first contract, valued at €10M, Planetek Hellas will deliver an Integrated End-to-End Governmental Hub capable of processing and disseminating data generated by the Earth Observation (EO) Satellites that Greece plans to deploy in orbit. This hub will serve as the central processing unit for all data collected, ensuring seamless distribution and accessibility for various governmental entities. The hub will integrate also five distinct service subsystems —Agriculture, Forest, Water, Safety & Security, and Land— assigned by ESA to different Prime contractors. These subsystems are designed to transform raw satellite data into actionable information, tailored to meet the specific needs of governmental users across multiple sectors.

Under the second contract, valued at €1.5M, Planetek Hellas is honored to lead the Safety & Security of these five service subsystems, providing critical data analysis and insights to enhance national security and emergency response capabilities.

For the Governmental Hub, Planetek Hellas will have as subcontractors well know Greek companies, including Space Hellas SA, Neupublic SA and Knowledge SA, while a number of other entities will support as external procurers. While, for the Safety & Security service subsystem Planetek Hellas will work together with the National Intelligence Agency (EYII), the Center for Security Studies (KEMEA), the Foundation for Research and Technology - Hellas (FORTH), the National Technical University of Athens (NTUA), and the National Observatory of Athens (NOA). This collaboration between Planetek Hellas, ESA, and the Greek government signifies a major advancement in Earth observation capabilities, positioning Greece as a leader in the application of

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satellite EO data for governmental use. The Governmental Hub is expected to be a transformative initiative of the Hellenic Ministry of Digital Governance, driving innovation, enhancing national security and civil protection, and contributing to the sustainable management of Greece's natural resources and agriculture.

The official signing ceremony for these contracts between Planetek Hellas and ESA, will take place in Athens, on November 14, 2024 in presence of the Hellenic Ministry of Digital Governance.

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In a few words:



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Planetek Hellas is a Greek company, active in the field of Satellite Earth Observation, Space Data Infrastructure, and Space & Ground Segment Software Development, since its establishment in 2006. Company customers currently include some of the most important bodies at the European level, such as the European Space Agency, the European Commission, the European Union Satellite Center, the European Environment Agency, and some of the biggest Industries in the domain such as Airbus, Indra, e-Geos, GMV and other. The company is a founding member of the Hellenic Space Industries Cluster and a full member of the "Hellenic Space Technology and Applications Industry" Association. www.planetek.gr

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