



#### Linking space to user needs

# **European Union Agency for the Space Programme**

Update from Market, Downstream and Innovation Department



# Update on EUSPA Market, Downstream and Innovation



- CASSINI initiative new webpages
  - EU Space Academy
    - New content for entry level security course coming
    - 1-to-1 Mentoring to be opened soon
  - CASSINI Challenges 2025 open
  - CASSINI Business Accelerator next batch open
  - CASSINI Matchmaking @ Slush in Helsinki
  - CASSINI Investor network and Growth facility
- User Consultation forum 2024
  - Online event 08 October
  - Registration open

### **CASSINI** is a €1 Bn initiative to support #EUSpace

#### **The EU Space Programme**

opernicus EO programme looking at our planet



GNSS service for positioning & timing info



Boosts GNSS's performances in Europe



Ensure secure communication capabilities







Informs about use and hazards of space

## CASSINI #EUSpace

**€1 Bn EU initiative** to support space startups & SMEs in 2021-2027

Covers the **full EU Space Programme**, from upstream tech to downstream applications

https://www.cassini.eu/cassini-initiative



#### **CASSINI** backs each stage of the space entrepreneurship journey

EU Space Academy

Hackathons& Mentoring

Challenges

BusinessAccelerator

Matchmaking

Growth Facility

Entrepreneurship Days

many other start-up & cross industry events in the EU

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#### **CASSINI** targets the commercialisation of space across Europe

### The EU Space Academy introduces innovators to #EUSpace

New content published 1-to-1 Mentoring will be available soon





**Online learning platform** offering lectures, workshops, & 1-to-1 mentoring to #EUSpace innovators

**Raising awareness of #EUSpace opportunities**, fostering the commercial use of space technology

**Facilitating investment readiness** of enthusiasts & entrepreneurs entering the space industry

### The CASSINI Challenges boost #EUSpace commercial solutions

# 2025 Challenges now open!





**CASSINI** #EUSpace Challenges

**Online innovation competition** boosting Galileo and Copernicus data solutions showing clear market uptake

Entrepreneur teams & early-stage startups shall **address real-world domains** such as health or mobility

Winners receive **cash prizes & networking opportunities** to evolve their products and bring them to market

https://www.euspa.europa.eu/cassinichallenges



### The CASSINI Business Accelerator programme helps start-ups grow

Open Call for Applications for Batch 4 August 19 - September 30

6 months (

20 start-ups

€75 k equity free



#### **CASSINI** #EUSpace Business Accelerator

Acceleration programme offering coaching, training & events to boost the commercial evolution of top space start-ups

Helps **participants developing sales and fundraising skills**, extending their network & accessing local stakeholders

**Tailored to space companies in growth stage** that have a product on the market & already achieved precommercial success

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### The CASSINI Matchmaking connects start-ups with new partners

# CASSINI & EUSPA @ SLUSH 2024

Investors

Start-ups

Corporates

**Dedicated events for introducing start-ups**, scaleup companies and SMEs to investors and corporates

**Start-ups receive pitch training, curated intros**, and 1-to-1 meetings, to help them secure funding & form partnerships

CASSINI #EUSpace Matchmaking

**Investors connect** with investment-ready companies & **corporates can have early access** to fresh tech inputs

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### The CASSINI Growth Facility deploys up to €1 Bn risk capital



CASSINI #EUSpace Growth Facility

The initiative **fosters investment into EU-based space companies** 

Provides up to **€1 Bn risk capital** to VC funds

**Promotes #EUSpace business**, stimulating Family Office investments and institutional loans



# EUSPA User Consultation Forum 8 October 2024 online – Registration open



EUSPA's User Consultation Platform (UCP) is a systematic consultation involving business and industry leaders, entrepreneurs, service providers, innovators, and other EU Space user communities to express their needs and requirements, share best practices and present case studies.



https://www.euspa-ucp.eu/

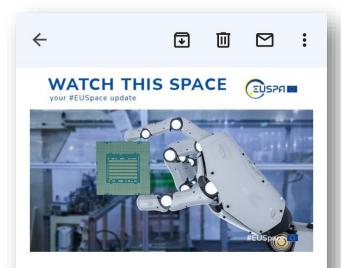


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#### K When less is more

• EU Space technology can help farmers use less fertilisers and pesticides, often resulting in cost savings, higher yields and increased sustainability.

1 March 2023

#### The winner takes it all!

 The stakes were high, the competition fierce, and the ideas impressive, but after reviewing almost 100 applications, the results of the first round of the #myEUspace competition are in.

#### 1 Industry confirms Galileo OSNMA market readiness

 The Public Observation Final Workshop was met with great enthusiasm and participants praised both the added value of the service and the possibilities it is opening.

📈 Space by numbers

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From funding mechanisms to market intelligence and the Space Academy, this article highlights eight great ways EUSPA supports space entrepreneurs.

#### 1 Is CASSINI for me?

 Wondering if the CASSINI Business Accelerator is right for you? Find out by joining our virtual Q&A session on 14 March.

• And don't forget, the deadline for applying is the end of the month - so apply today!





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Apply today and help shape the future of #EUSpace!