

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**  
**BETWEEN**  
**THE UNITED KINGDOM SPACE AGENCY**  
**AND**  
**THE HELLENIC SPACE AGENCY**  
**REGARDING CIVIL SPACE COOPERATION FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES**

The United Kingdom (UK) Space Agency, an Executive Agency of the Government of the United Kingdom within the Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy having its headquarters at Polaris House, North Star Avenue, Swindon, Wiltshire, SN2 1SZ, United Kingdom, represented by its Chief Executive Officer;

and

The Hellenic Space Agency (hereinafter referred to as "HSA"), a legal entity ('Societe Anonyme') established under the laws of Greece (in accordance with the articles 18-24 of L. 4508/2017) whose registered office is located at Alexandrou Pantou & Fragoudi 11, Kallithea, GR 101 63 ("HSA"), represented by, its Chairman, Mr Christodoulos Protopapas

hereinafter referred to individually as 'Participant' or collectively as 'Participants',

**HAVING** regard to the wishes of the Participants to cooperate on civil space activities for their mutual benefit;

**CONSIDERING** the common interest of the UK and Hellenic Republic in the use of space technology for peaceful purposes;


**RECOGNISING** the advantages and benefits arising from international cooperation in the space field;

**HAVE REACHED THE FOLLOWING UNDERSTANDINGS:**

**1 Purpose**

1.1 The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding ('MoU') is to:

- a) provide a framework for collaborative activities and for reviewing areas of common interest in the civil aspects of space;



- b) facilitate the interchange of information, technology and personnel in areas of mutual interest;
- c) nominate relevant points of contact for both Participants.

## **2 Areas of Cooperation**

2.1 Subject to the laws and regulations applicable to them, the Participants, through consultation, will decide upon the specific items and scope of cooperation within the framework of this MoU. The proposed collaborative activities are as follow:

- a) Participants will facilitate collaboration as appropriate, including the exchange of information and expertise, in the UK and Hellenic Republic space sectors, including:
  - Space science, technology and applications;
  - Exchange of views on space policy, law and regulation;
  - Human capital development in the space field and related areas;
- b) Participants will jointly identify suitable projects of common interest that can be supported and developed in both countries;
- c) Other areas of cooperation may be identified by mutual consent of the Participants.

## **3 Financial and legal provisions**

3.1 Both Participants acknowledge that any activities undertaken through the MoU will:

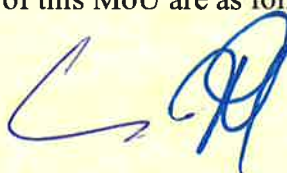
- a) comply with all relevant export controls on a case-by-case basis; and
- b) respect intellectual property rights in accordance with all applicable laws.

3.2 The Participants also acknowledge that this MoU will place no financial, legal or other type of commitment on either Participant or their Governments.

## **4 Implementation**

4.1 The Participants will establish a joint steering committee under the framework of this MoU to monitor the effectiveness and applicability of the present MoU and examine proposals relating to plans for cooperation. This will be co-chaired by the Participants at a senior management level or their representatives.

4.2 The Participants will arrange meetings by mutual consent to review progress on the implementation of this MoU. The persons nominated by the Participants as responsible for overseeing the implementation of this MoU are as follow:



For UK Space Agency: Mr. Arfan Chaudhry  
Head of International Policy

For HSA: Dr Antonios Paschalis  
Member of the HSA Board of Council

or such other person notified to the other Participant.

## **5 Amendment**

5.1 This MoU may be amended by mutual consent of the Participants. The Participant wishing to make an amendment will notify the other in writing. Any amendment will take effect when each Participant has notified the other in writing of its consent to the amendment.

## **6 Status**

6.1 This MoU is not legally binding. A cooperation instrument made under this MoU may, or may not, generate legally binding obligations depending on the intent of the Participants, as expressed in the provisions of this cooperation instrument.

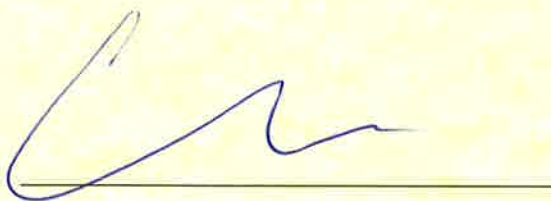
6.2 This MoU will be without prejudice to the cooperation of either Participant with other States, Space Agencies or any other entity.

## **7 Duration and termination**

7.1 This MoU will come into effect on the date of signature by both Participants and will continue in operation until terminated by either Participant giving six months' written notice to the other.

Signed in duplicate in Athens on 21/12/ 2018 in the English language.

For  
the UK Space Agency:

A blue ink signature of Dr. Graham Turnock, consisting of a large, stylized 'G' followed by a horizontal line and a small flourish.

Dr. Graham Turnock  
Chief Executive

For  
the Hellenic Space Agency:

A blue ink signature of Christodoulos Protopapas, featuring a complex, overlapping loop structure.

Christodoulos Protopapas  
HSA Chairman