

# OPTIMISING SPACE BENEFITS THROUGH EFFECTIVE USE OF AEROSPACE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS

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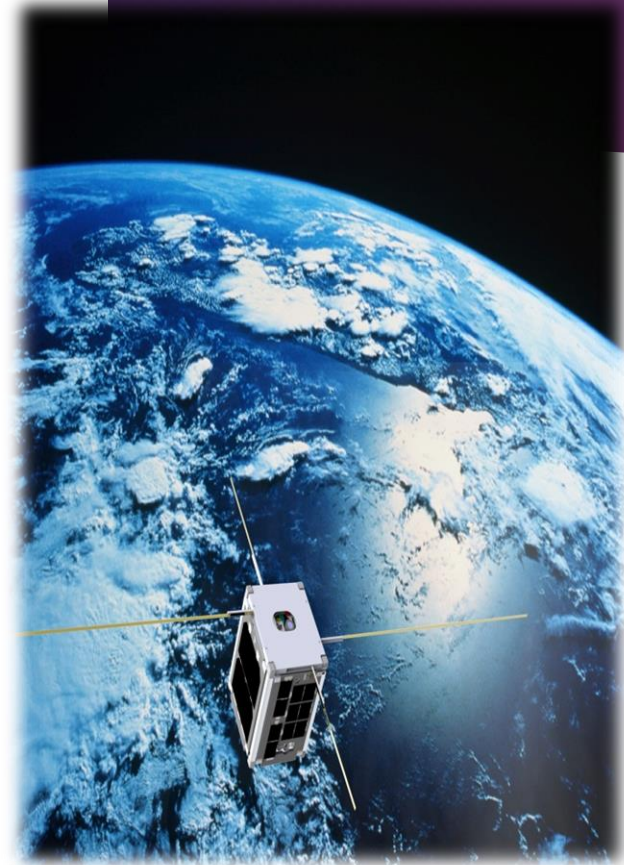
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# INTRODUCTION



## SPACE PROGRAMS HAMPERED BY LACK OF APPRECIATION OF SPACE BENEFITS

- ❑ Governments The Main Enabler of Space Programs
  - ❑ Focus on Space Applications To Address Immediate Socio-Economic Imperatives
  - ❑ Research and Development Very Limited To Traditional Science and Engineering Discipline: The Strong Lobby Groups Attract Desired Funding, e.g Astronomy on SKA
  - ❑ Main Users of Space Communications Services Relying on International Platforms: No Appetite for Local Space Industry
  - ❑ Public Not Fully Apprised of Space Use and Exploration, Hence, Public Funds Hard To Access

## OVERVIEW OF SOUTH AFRICAN SPACE MARKET

- INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTEMENTS ABOUT \$36BILLION, MAINLY SAELLITE BROADCASTING
  - SATELLITE SERVICES ABOUT \$3 BILLION
  - SPACE APPLICATIONS ABOUT \$10 BILLION  
e.g REMOTE SENSING, NAVIGATION, etc
  - ❖ NO LAUNCH SERVICES
- DESIRED INVESTMENT LEVELS
- \$40m FOR REMOTE SENSING SATELLLITES
  - \$150m FOR GEO SATELLITE;
  - SCIENCE AND HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT, **e.g** SKA
  - LAUNCH CAPABILITY APPROX \$100m
  - ❖ AT LEAST \$300m SET ASIDE FOR A COHERENT SPACE PROGRAM IN SA

# BENEFITS OF AEROSPACE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS

- ❑ Aerospace technology demonstration
- ❑ Space Education Awareness
- ❑ Satellite Deployment
  - ❖ Small payloads :CPUT Cube Sat 2013 and more to come
- ❑ Hypersonic Airlines
- ❑ Point to point transportation for passengers and Cargo

# THE BENEFITS OF NEW AEROSPACE SYSTEMS

## ❑ ECONOMIC BENEFITS

- ❑ LOWER COSTS OF NEW AEROSPACE SYSTEMS
- ❑ INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENTS
- ❑ ENHANCING LOCAL SPACE CAPABILITIES

## ❑ ADDRESSING SCEPTICS AND GEOPOLITICS

- ▶ Economic Catalyst
- ▶ Socio Cohesion
- ▶ Regional Intregation
- ▶ National Pride

# ENHANCING INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

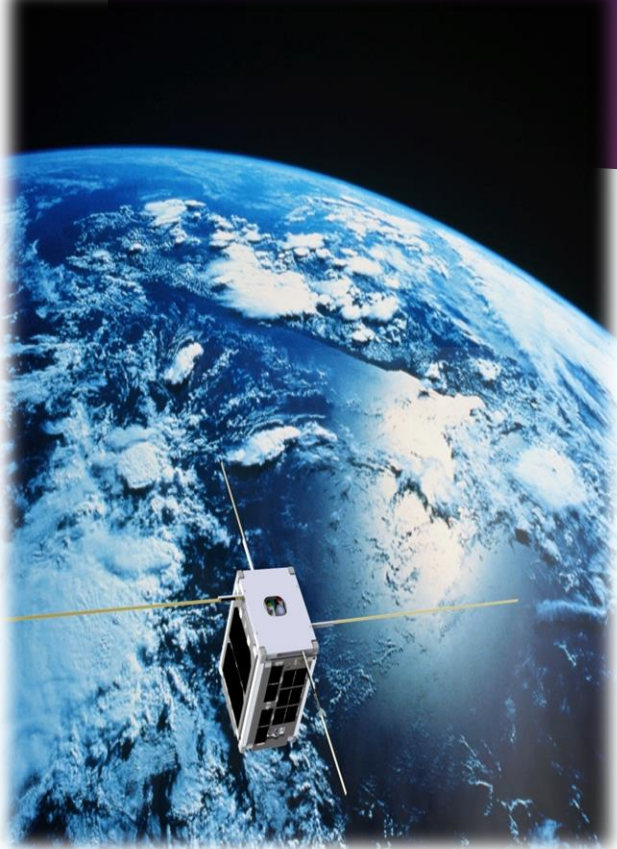
## ❑ SA NATIONAL SPACE POLICY

- ❑ PEACEFUL USES WITH EMPHASIS ON COOPERATION
- ❑ CONTINENTAL FOCUS, e.g AFRICAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE ON SPACE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
- ❑ AFRICAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT RESOURCE CONSTELLATION
- ❑ AFRI-GEOSS

## ❑ GLOBAL ALLIANCES

- ❑ BILATERALS WITH EU, USA
- ❑ BRICS, IBSA, etc

# THE CURRENT NATIONAL SPACE LAW REVIEW PROCESS



- ❑ South Africa's current space programme has outgrown the legislative framework foreseen in the SASAA;
- ❑ Space applications such as remote sensing, PNT, not addressed;
- ❑ Regulations: launch, operation, guidance, and re-entry of space objects;
- ❑ Focus on national developmental needs;
  - Space commercialisation and industrialisation;
  - Strengthen administrative institutions;
  - Cross reference other relevant legislation. ICASA etc
  - Flexible regulations



# REGULATE TO ENHANCE SPACE CAPABILITY

- ▶ Enhance closer cooperation between Government, private entities, NGO's;
- ▶ Focus on space industry development in National Developmental Objectives
- ▶ Increased space awareness in policy making processes, e.g political party manifesto; parliamentary presence (strong lobby like SKA);
- ▶ Locate space in highest office of the land;
- ▶ Strong capacity-building initiatives with international institutions like COPUOS, Regional Centres, etc

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