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More than 160 people took part in the event organized by the German Aerospace Center (DLR) and the NKS network COSMOS2020. Representatives of the EU Commission, the Research Executive Agency (REA) and the European GNSS Agency (GSA) presented information on the sixth space call in Horizon 2020, as well as tips on how to apply. Own project ideas could be presented in pitch sessions.

All presentations are now available on the event's website and are freely accessible.

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EU Space Programme European Parliament Committee adopts draft report

On 21 November, Parliament's industry, research and energy committee adopted a draft report written by Massimiliano Salini on establishing the EU's space programme and the European Union Agency for the space programme. The proposed €16 billion budget for 2021-2027 covers programmes such as Galileo, Copernicus and Space Situational Awareness.

Space technology is indispensable for a number of important services Europeans depend on and it can play a crucial role in effectively tackling new challenges such as climate change, border controls and helping to keep people living in the EU safe. However, not a single EU country has the capacities to reach for the stars alone. "The new space programme bets on Europe and aims at strengthening its global leadership in the domains of Earth observation, navigation and technological research," said Salini. "Although Europe is currently the second space power in the world, we need to foster an ever-greater cooperation if we want this to keep our leadership."

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The European Commission aims at stimulating light satellites launchers. The projects should be innovative, implementable, affordable in development and exploitation phases, and commercially viable. The approach should be holistic and produce results beyond (but complementary to) existing solutions. The goal is to enhance European access to space and ensure technological non dependence and thereby provide strategic and competitive advantages for European companies, SMEs, universities and research organisations.

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Galileo User Satisfaction Survey Report is Published

At the end of 2017, the European GNSS Agency (GSA) launched its Galileo User Satisfaction Survey to collect information from current and potential Galileo users. The main outcomes and conclusions are now published.

The survey aimed at gathering valuable information regarding the perception and expectations about Galileo service, the specific needs by the users within different market-related segments and use & suggestions for improvement of the European GNSS Service Centre(GSC).

According to the report, 55% of all respondents said they were already using Galileo – an impressive figure coming just one year after the launch of Initial Services. Of these users, 89% said they were satisfied with Galileo's current level of service. Furthermore, 94% would recommend Galileo to other users. In terms of suggestions for improving Galileo, respondents said they wanted to see improved availability of Galileo services and even better positioning accuracy. As to the GSC, the main suggestions coming from users included a need for a more enhanced website and an increase in range of available GSC products.

The main conclusions and outputs will feed into the European Global Navigation Satellite Systems Agency (GSA) and Galileo continuous quality improvement process, required for achieving the highest levels of use, performance, service and user support.

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