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**ESA Business Incubation**

ESA Business Incubation is an initiative that will create new business opportunities and jobs for non-space companies and broaden the market for space industry. The Technology Transfer Programme Office coordinates three Business Incubation centres which each offer technical expertise in several fields, as well as advice and support with business development. The ESA Business Incubation centres are located at the European Space Research and Technology Centre (ESA/ESTEC) in Noordwijk, The Netherlands, at the European Space Operations Centre (ESA/ESOC) in Darmstadt, Germany and at the European Centre for Earth Observation (ESA/ESRIN) in Frascati, Italy. Moreover, ESA Business Incubation is linked to a network of business incubators within Europe.

**Location ESOC**

ESOC is located in Darmstadt, and is the home of one of ESA’s Business Incubation (EBI) centres: the Incubation Centre for Advanced Satellite Navigation Applications. Considering the long-standing expertise of ESA’s Navigation Office and its contracting companies in the field of satellite navigation, ESA – under its business incubation initiative – and the regional Government of Hessen decided to establish a business incubation centre for Galileo-related navigation applications – the Centrum für Satellitennavigation Hessen GmbH (CESAH). The centre has teamed up with renowned research institutions, IT and consultancy firms and key Galileo-user industries, all located in the Rhine-Main metropolitan area. Studies have shown that Galileo, Europe’s future satellite navigation system, will help develop a tremendous global market for highly accurate navigation and positioning solutions.
Be part of a new business dimension - with a strong team supporting you!

The ESA Business Incubation centre at ESOC provides start-up companies through CESAH with operational services, know-how in a high-tech environment and easy access to ESA’s technical specialists. The service package offered includes:

- Pre-seed funding and access to other sources of finance;
- Access to expert engineering support from ESA, universities and industry;
- Access to resources such as test facilities, laboratories and workshops in ESA, universities and industry;
- "Hands-on" assistance;
- Business development support and advice;
- Access to strategic partnership and networking through CESAH;
- Office space and shared facilities

How can we help you?

Entrepreneurs
Contact us if you have an innovative idea or a business plan based on using a space technology or system in a non-space environment. If you are ready for commercial development, submit your proposal to join the ESA Business Incubation scheme!

Space Companies
Contact us to outsource the spin-off initiatives of your employees in an innovative win-win scheme.

Research Centres and Universities
Encourage your staff to set up their own companies to bring leading-edge research to the marketplace via ESA Business Incubation.

We’re open to your questions and ideas!
Our experts are available to answer your questions about the ESA Business Incubation programme. Full details on how to become an incubatee within the ESA Business Incubation scheme and the application procedures can be found on our website. We look forward to hearing from you!

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