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RIEGL'S MARKET PRESENCE GROWS IN LATIN AMERICA

Expanding their presence in Latin America through this strategic distribution partnership, RIEGL is excited to welcome **Continex** to the growing base of renowned RIEGL partners.
Continex, with operations in Panama since 1998, are suppliers of a wide variety of products for surveying, geographic information systems (GIS), UAS, bathymetry, laser levelling, digital photogrammetry, wide format scanners, digital mapping, and maintenance and rental of topographic equipment. They bring over **20+ years of experience** in the survey industry, representing the best in topographic equipment and technology available. Continex works with several top brands for the engineering and surveying market with authorized technical service. **www.riegl.com**

FARO ACQUIRES ATS AB

provider of 3D measurement, imaging and realization solutions for 3D Metrology, AEC (Architecture, Engineering & Construction), and Public Safety Analytics, announced that the Company has acquired **Advanced Technical Solutions** in based provider of 3D digital twin in 1990, ATS has had particular success in the automotive space where the firm has agreements in place with several well-known global automotive manufacturers. The acquisition will integrate ATS software and proprietary Traceable 3D system, which enables highly accurate and repeatable 3D scans, into the Faro Webshare Cloud platform. ATS' system connects the physical to to bolster Faro's ability to improve customers' time to decision with 10x faster 3D imaging at up to 1mm accuracy. www.faro.com

EOS POSITIONING SYSTEMS ANNOUNCES COMPATIBILITY OF EOS LASER MAPPING AND EOS LOCATE WITH ESRI ARCGIS FIELD MAPS (BETA)

Eos Positioning Systems (Eos), the Canadian manufacturer of the popular high-accuracy Arrow Series GNSS receivers, has announced the compatibility of two popular **Eos field data-collection solutions** with the Esri ArcGIS Field Maps beta. Eos Locate for ArcGIS is the world's first real-time, survey-grade solution for **mapping underground utilities** with ArcGIS field apps. Eos Laser Mapping for ArcGIS is the world's first laser-offset solution for **mapping assets from afar** with high accuracy, without having to physically occupy them. Customers transitioning to Field Maps from Collector will be able to take advantage of additional capabilities (e.g., smart forms, markups) without having to deploy new training or workflows, according to Esri Program Manager Doug Morgenthaler.



NAVVIS RELEASES INDOORVIEWER 2.7

NavVis, the global provider of indoor spatial intelligence technology and enterprise solutions, announced the release of NavVis IndoorViewer 2.7. With this major software release users can look forward to a number of **additional features** to the measurement tool including the ability to **annotate measurements** as well as being able to export and share them as **PDF documents**. NavVis IndoorViewer is an innovative web-based deliverable that, in just a few clicks, turns laser scan data into **basic building models**

displayed as 360° realistic digital buildings, point clouds and customizable floorplans. The next generation software, which is also available as a cloud-based SaaS solution – **NavVis**

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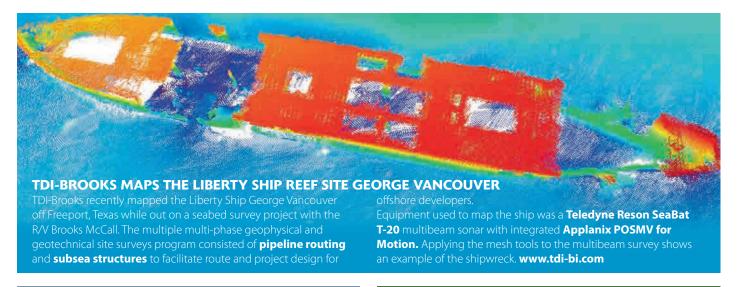
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OGC WELCOMES MICROSOFT TO THE OGC COMMUNITY AS A PRINCIPAL MEMBER

As a Principal Member of OGC, Microsoft will participate across OGC activities and serve in OGC's Planning Committee to explore market and technology trends relevant to OGC's global mission to make location information more Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, and Reusable (FAIR). OGC Principal Members ensure that OGC's policies and procedures remain effective and agile in a changing technological environment, and participate in **final approval decisions** for all OGC standards as well as nominations to the **Board of Directors**. As an OGC Principal Member, Microsoft will work alongside other world-leading organizations looking to advance the location information industry, including Airbus Defence & Space, the Indian Department of Science and Technology, Esri, Feng Chia University, Google, Hexagon, Leidos, Maxar, Oracle, Trimble Navigation, and the US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). www.ogc.org



VEXCEL RELEASES ULTRAMAP VERSION 5.0

Vexcel Imaging announces the release of UltraMap version 5.0, the latest update of its all-in-one aerial photogrammetry software featuring comprehensive **DTM generation** and full integration of **Ortho Production** in **UltraMap Studio**. With the introduction of a completely new Digital Terrain Model (DTM) algorithm based on automatic semantic image segmentation and intelligent filtering, UltraMap 5.0 now generates comprehensive DSMs and DTMs for export at unprecedented quality. Additionally, several new features have been implemented to facilitate and speed up the data in one interface and simple re-processing for ortho products, to the full integration of Ortho Production in UltraMap Studio and **new quality control tools** like visualization of non-ground over their data throughout the entire value chain to create 3D spatial data products that meet the highest photogrammetric standards. www.vexcel-imaging.com



ENHANCED GEOLOGY AND MINE DESIGN IN VULCAN 2020

Desktop tools that enable mining professionals to interact with their data are the building blocks upon which Maptek innovation was founded. Almost 40 years on from the early borehole modelling tools, Maptek has this week released Vulcan 2020, featuring integrated geology and optimised mine design. Today Vulcan is populated with functionality that provides holistic benefits to modern mining operations. These translate into **increased productivity** for specific applications - such as geological modelling, automated mine design and grade control - as well as improvement to the mining business in terms of cost efficiencies, where examples include **drillhole optimisation** and **dynamic reserving**. New in Vulcan 2020, Vulcan Drillhole Optimiser helps exploration projects,

open pit and underground operations to confidently develop infill drilling plans that maximise resource recovery. **www.maptek.com**





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SPAIN'S ANDALUSIAN FIRE AUTHORITY FAST-TRACKS DEPLOYMENT OF GLOBALSTAR SPOT GEN3 SATELLITE MESSENGERS

Globalstar Europe Satellite Services Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of Globalstar, and a provider of satellite messaging and emergency notification technologies, announces that 550 **SPOT Gen3TM** satellite-enabled safety devices have been deployed to safeguard and track firefighters across the vast expanse of Andalusia in southern Spain. For this rapidlydelivered project, SPOT Gen3 satellite messengers are the backbone of an advanced fire management technology platform from wildfire solutions specialist **Technosylva** to monitor and protect the region's fire response teams and vehicles. This was a particularly urgent requirement by INFOCA, the administrative authority for forest and wildfire management, a department of the Junta de Andalucia, the local government for this region. INFOCA needed a fast deployment of a farreaching, reliable tracking system to monitor and protect firefighters as Spain deals with the many complications and risks created by the global Covid-19 pandemic. www.globalstar.com



BAE SYSTEMS COMPLETES ACQUISITION OF MILITARY GPS BUSINESS

BAE Systems has completed its acquisition of the **Collins Aerospace Military Global Positioning System** (GPS) business from Raytheon Technologies Corporation, bringing decades of experience, innovative technology, and an extensive installed base of products to the company. As announced in January, this asset purchase is a unique opportunity to acquire a high-quality, technology-based business that augments the existing BAE Systems Electronic Systems portfolio through the addition of **world-class GPS anti-jamming and anti-spoofing technology** that enables reliable navigation and guidance for a range of defence missions. Based in Cedar Rapids and Coralville, lowa, with a workforce of approximately 700 employees, the Military GPS business has been a pioneer in its field for more than 40 years and has a global installed base in excess of 1.5 million devices on more than 280 airborne, ground, and weapon system platforms. **www.baesystems.com**

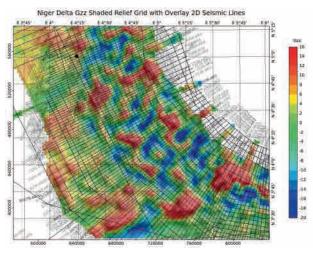


ESRI AND UNITED NATIONS CREATE COVID-19 POPULATION VULNERABILITY DASHBOARD

Esri, a global provider of location intelligence, announced it has collaborated with the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) to create the UNFPA COVID-19 Population Vulnerability Dashboard. This new **interactive tool** will provide public health workers, policy makers, and the general public with access to useful information on populations vulnerable to coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) in order to target preparedness and response and to help save lives. The dashboard highlights population vulnerabilities at the national and subnational levels, using data from the latest **Integrated Public Use Microdata Series** (IPUMS) census samples for 94 countries. It identifies populations at older ages, including those living alone, and includes risk factors for COVID-19 transmission such as residential density (household size and persons per room) and access to piped water and other amenities. **www.esri.com**

CGG MULTI-PHYSICS UPDATES LCT SOFTWARE WITH INNOVATIONS FOR IMAGING POTENTIAL FIELD DATA

CGG Multi-Physics has released an important update to its LCT potential field software suite. Oil and gas exploration geoscientists use LCT to model, process and interpret their gravity and magnetic data for guiding integrated subsurface **imaging.** The improved capabilities available in the new LCT R2017.06 release are based on existing user feedback. In particular, enhancements to the software's intuitive and powerful workflows improve ease-of-use, bring overall risk reduction benefits and increase productivity to levels unavailable in previous versions. Critical techniques required for comprehensive geological forward modelling, inversion, and management of potential field data have also been extended and enhanced to rapidly deliver an accurate model of the subsurface. For example, the new LightTable module supports and integrates LCT's existing 3MOD and 2MOD modules for producing realistic geological models. www.cgg.com



SENTINEL-1C RADAR ANTENNA HAS SPREAD ITS WINGS FOR THE FIRST TIME

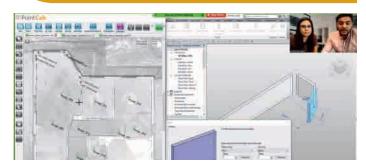
Fixed to a special device, simulating zero gravity conditions, the 12.3 metre wide and 860 kg SAR (Synthetic Aperture Radar) radar antenna of the Copernicus Sentinel-1C satellite has successfully spread its wings at the **Airbus Integrated Technology Centre in Friedrichshafen** (Germany) for the first time. Sentinel-1C is the third of the Sentinel-1 radar satellite series and will ensure data continuity for the many services offered by the EU's **Copernicus programme**. The Sentinel-1C satellite equipped with the **SAR Instrument** (C-band radar) will provide radar images of the entire Earth's surface as part of the Copernicus programme funded by the European Union and the European Space Agency (ESA). Thales Alenia Space is prime contractor for Sentinel-1C and its twin Sentinel-1 D. Airbus Defence and Space is responsible for both radars. **www.airbus.com**



TELESPAZIO WILL PROVIDE SATELLITE CONNECTIVITY FOR THE IRISH MARINE BUOY OBSERVATION NETWORK

Telespazio has been awarded a contract to maintain satellite connectivity to the Irish Marine Data Buoy Observation Network. The Irish Marine Data Buoy Observation Network has been managed for over 20 years by the Marine Institute in collaboration with Met Éireann and is designed to **improve** weather forecasts and safety at sea around Ireland. The Irish Marine Buoy Observation Network comprises five deep field offshore buoys that gather real-time weather and **oceanographic data** from around the Irish coast. The network provides crucial data for weather forecasting, risk management for shipping, advance warnings for the fishing community and coastal towns and villages, as well as oceanography research and data on Ireland's deep waters. Thanks to the new contract, each buoy will continue to use the Iridium Short Burst Data (SBD), an efficient network transport with capability for transmitting real-time short data messages via satellite.

www.telespazio.com



SEILER DESIGN SOLUTIONS ANNOUNCES PARTNERSHIP WITH POINTCAB

Seiler Design Solutions, a provider of scan-to-BIM products and services, announced a partnership with PointCab out of Stuttgart, Germany. The new agreement adds the **PointCab point cloud processing software** to Seiler's robust offering of solutions for the **Geospatial** and **AEC** (Architecture Engineering Construction) industries. "The Seiler product catalogue is designed to provide the full **scan-to-BIM workflow**. We distribute laser scanners and are also an Autodesk Gold Partner. By adding PointCab to our portfolio we're offering a fast and incredibly easy-to-use workflow that links the point cloud to BIM and is tailored to our customer's needs," says Lanny Schnipper, Vice President of Seiler Instrument & Manufacturing Company. In addition to welcoming PointCab to its catalog, Seiler will also become the Master Reseller and go-to-address for PointCab in the U.S. **www.seiler-ds.com**

DRONE AND FAST MAPPING FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

Autel Robotics and Pix4D are announcing a new partnership specially tailored to meet the needs of the public safety sector: Autel Evo II Rugged Bundles will now include **Pix4Dreact**, Pix4D's 2D fast-mapping software at no extra charge. Now compatible with all Autel Evo II camera models for real colour mapping, Pix4Dreact is specifically designed to provide quick and reliable **situational awareness** to first-responders while in the field. Fast, lightweight, easy-to-use and robust, it can produce high-quality **2-dimensional orthomosaic maps** when time is of the essence. It is the perfect software companion to the **Autel Evo II**, enabling teams on the ground to respond quickly and safely. These new bundles include the Autel Evo II drone (available with 8k, 6k, or Dual camera options), a hard carrying case, one additional flight battery and a yearly license of Pix4Dreact. **www.pix4d.com**

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The U.S. Space Force Space and Missile Systems Center successfully delivered the fourth **Global Positioning System** (GPS) III satellite to Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Florida, carried aboard a C-17 Globemaster III originating from Joint satellite will be processed at the **Astrotech Space Operations** facility in Florida to ensure the full functionality of the satellite, the satellite in its protective fairing. At the completion of these activities, the satellite will be horizontally integrated with the SpaceX Falcon 9 launch vehicle. www.lockheedmartin.com

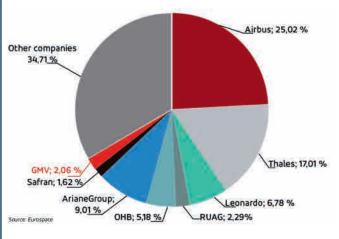
PHASE ONE INDUSTRIAL AND ACECORE **ANNOUNCE INTEGRATION OF CAMERA AND DRONE TECHNOLOGIES**

Phase One Industrial, a provider of medium- and large-format metric cameras and imaging solutions for aerial applications, has signed an agreement with Acecore Technologies, a developer and manufacturer of **Unmanned Aerial Vehicles** (UAVs) for cinema and creative, industrial, and security markets. Together, these companies' high-end products are opening new opportunities in drone-based high-accuracy mapping and **inspection** markets. Phase One Industrial developed the **iXM series** – revolutionary and uniquely designed cameras for UAV-based aerial imagery that redefine the boundaries of technological innovation. The iXM 100MP and iXM 50MP are high-productivity metric cameras with a range of specially designed RSM lenses. The iXM cameras are ready for easy integration with a wide range of UAV platforms, delivering superior quality aerial imaging and flexible operation to satisfy diverse mapping, surveying, and inspection applications.



GMV IS EUROPE'S 7TH BIGGEST EMPLOYER IN THE SPACE SECTOR

Eurospace's 24th facts & figures annual report on Europe's space industry highlights the role played by the technology multinational GMV over recent years, accounting for 2.06% of full time employment in 2019 out of total of 47,895 workers (+5.7%). From the employment point of view, therefore, **GMV is** disputing with RUAG the sixth ranking in Europe's space **sector,** behind the big firms like Airbus, Thales, Ariane, Leonardo and OHB. Eurospace's yearly survey is backed by all major space firms and gives a faithful snapshot of the sector. www.gmv.com





HawkEye 360, the first commercial company to use satellites to create a new class of radio frequency (RF) data and data analytics, announced that it is offering a daily Regional Awareness Subscription (RAS) service. Leveraging the company's **RFGeo product**, RAS delivers **mission-critical insights** by allowing organizations to identify, monitor, and analyze signal behavior over time. Large-scale **RF signal mapping** provides deeper situational awareness in these regions, with the data sets enabling trend analysis using traditional and artificial intelligence algorithms. HawkEye 360 will work with customers to define a **Regional Awareness Subscription** that can span millions of square kilometers. Current RAS collection areas include the Mediterranean, South China Sea, and the Korean Peninsula. HawkEye 360 curates a collection plan that routinely gathers a combination of high-demand signals. The company delivers the data in an open standard **GeoJSON** format that seamlessly integrates with most applications. www.he360.com



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