

### AMBITION

# Opportunities in Space for 5G/6G Non-Terrestrial Networks

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## Space for 5G / 6G Non-Terrestrial Networks



### **Objective 1**

Achieve full integration of satellite with terrestrial 5G/6G networks

### **Objective 2**

Engage vertical market stakeholders in 5G/6G integrated pilots (satellite and terrestrial)

### **Objective 3**

Drive standardisation activities to ensure full inclusion of satellite in 5G and 6G standards







# Drive Standardization Activities to Ensure Full Inclusion (Cesa of Satellite in 5G and 6G Standards

 3GPP rel. 17: near term 5G Non-Terrestrial-Network (NTN), assuming transparent payload architecture and FDD in FR1 (<6GHz)</li>

 3GPP rel. 18+: future satellites supporting 5G/6G, making use of regenerative payloads with more sophisticated on-board processing (ASICs, DSPs and high-speed data converters). Support of mm-wave, sub-THz/optical technologies also required in some scenarios (e.g., ISL)





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### 5G/6G Hub at ESA - ECSAT, Harwell (UK)



- An integrated 5G hybrid private network
  - 5G network
  - A satellite multi-orbit simulator
  - Two GEO links + two LEO links
- Automated switching between configurations via simple user interface
- Local compute and storage, supporting edge processing and operations
- Augmented Reality demonstrations
- A collaborative place for 5G Engineering activities, Demonstrations and Showcase





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# Multi-orbit link: ECSAT / ESTEC / 6GIC / Capgemini





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# Achieve full integration of satellite with terrestrial 5G/6G networks

- Demonstrate added value of space in 5G / 6G services and applications
- Develop satellite communication products integrated in 5G / 6G networks
- Testbeds for trials and pilots, particularly with vertical industry stakeholders

### ARTES 4.0 Generic Programme Lines Supporting the full spectrum of activities





# Multi-Orbit Satellite Terminals converging towards 5G/6G @esa



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ALL.SPACE's first-of-its-kind terminal completes simultaneous, full performance, multi-link trials across all orbits

Separation of Joeysat (Source: ESA)

### SatixFy Technology Enables First 5G link

Harwell, UK – SatixFy Communications Ltd. ("SatixFy"), a leader in nextgeneration satellite communication systems based on in-house

SatixFy Signs Deal & Partnership MOU with Astrome to Develop 5G GigaMesh 2.0

SatixFy Communications Ltd. ("SatixFy") (NYSE AMERICAN: SATX), a leader in next-generation satellite communication systems based on in-

UK antenna manufacturer reveals plans for modular terminal

Powered by isotropic systems



ALL.SPACE joins UK Government and European Space Agency consortium led by CGI to develop hybrid satellite communications for trains

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# Satellite / Terrestrial hybrid connectivity on the North Yorkshire Moors Railway (NYMR) – happening this week



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## Flagship Strategy: Multi-Orbit 5G/6G Space Network



- Advance network beyond 5G with multi-orbit constellations
- Research and industrial activities into architecture and technology options:
  HAPS
  VLEO
  LEO
  MEO
  HEO
  GEO
  - ➤...and much more





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