

Paris Air Show 2015: Airbus Group In Satellite Partnership With OneWeb

Le Bourget, 15 June 2015 – On the first day of the Paris Air Show, Airbus Defence and Space announced that it had been selected by OneWeb Ltd. as its industrial partner for the design and manufacturing of its fleet of microsatellites.



Photo Caption: French President François Hollande (second to left) discusses with Airbus Group CEO Tom Enders (centre) and OneWeb Ltd. CEO Gregor Wyler (right). Marwan Lahoud, Airbus Group Chief Strategy and Marketing Officer and GIFAS President (left) looks on.

“By producing hundreds of small satellites we will partner OneWeb to connect the World,” said Airbus Group CEO Tom Enders. “This is a very important agreement and shows the industrial capacity and flexibility of our company to adapt to the changing requirements of the global space market. We can produce hundreds of commercial aircraft each year, and thus we will be able to deliver what’s required for this project.”

The initial production of 900 satellites, each weighing less than 150 kilogrammes, is planned for launch into low Earth orbit beginning in 2018 to deliver affordable Internet access globally.

About Airbus Group

Airbus Group is a global leader in aeronautics, space and related services. In 2014, the Group – comprising Airbus, Airbus Defence and Space and Airbus Helicopters – generated revenues of € 60.7 billion and employed a workforce of around 138,600.

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