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SPACECOM DRAWS BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS TO SPUR THE COMMERCIAL SPACE INDUSTRY

HOUSTON – The end of November brought more than 2,500 government, industry and aerospace professionals from around the world to Houston’s George R. Brown Convention Center for [SpaceCom – America’s Commercial Space Conference and Exposition](#). Coming together for the first time, four U.S. government agencies – Department of Energy, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Commerce and NASA – discussed the need for public and private sectors to collaborate as the space industry develops into a trillion-dollar economy.

“With government agencies and the commercial space industry in alignment, furthered by NASA’s commitment to commercial partnerships, there is a great impetus for a sustainable and rapidly growing space economy,” said James Causey, executive director for SpaceCom. Causey continued, “SpaceCom acts as a catalyst for all these activities by bringing together the key stakeholders to address the pressing issues for a successful future in space.”

SpaceCom 2019 featured more than 150 industry leaders who served as faculty over the two-day event. The program featured four tracks focused on returning to the moon to stay, critical regulatory considerations, the trillion-dollar LEO economy, and cross-industry opportunities. This year’s keynote featured Bill Nye of The Planetary Society, as well as other influential market leaders, including Tom Cremins of NASA, Carissa Christensen of Bryce Space and Technology, Paul M. Dabbar of the Department of Energy, Kent Rominger of Northrop Grumman and Anilkumar Dave of the Italian Space Agency.

SPACECOM 2019 HIGHLIGHTS

Global Spaceport Alliance’s Commercial Spaceport Summit

The Summit, held on November 19, had participation from more than 60 executives including representation from 17 spaceports throughout the world.

SpaceCom Entrepreneur Summit

The SpaceCom Entrepreneur Summit (SES) brought together over 50 startups and explored how to raise funding and stimulate growth in the commercial space sector. Forty of these startups were showcased in the Entrepreneur Pavilion on the show floor. The event culminated with the Entrepreneur Summit Competition Finals & Awards Presentation where the audience members and the panel of judges awarded Olis Robotics CoreOS and Digital Workspace with Machine Learning the prize of \$100,000 in Google Cloud credits.

VIP Reception

SpaceCom’s VIP Reception was an invite-only event with the largest attendance to date. Thanks to our sponsors that make this exclusive event possible: Winstead Attorneys (title sponsor), ASRC Federal, Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership, Dell Technologies, Italian Trade Agency, Midland Development Corporation and SpaceBit.

Bill Nye Keynote Address

Bill Nye discussed The Planetary Society’s LightSail project as an example of the democratization of space. He also held a book signing in the SpaceCom exhibit hall.

NASA Theater

Throughout the event NASA Centers and Department of Energy representatives shared technology challenges to get to the moon.

SpaceCom 2020 is poised to grow and continue to be the meeting place to discuss the commercial space industry. Save the date for next year’s event at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston, TX, November 17-19. To take part in next year’s event, please visit www.spacecomexpo.com.

About SpaceCom

[SpaceCom – America's Commercial Space Conference and Exposition](#), is where aerospace, industry and government meet to network, gain insights on commercial space growth and investment opportunities from experts, and discover cutting-edge technology in an interactive exhibit hall. The event is produced by [National Trade Productions](#) in partnership with [Houston First Corporation](#), in collaboration with [NASA](#), [Department of Commerce](#) and [Department of Energy](#). For more information, visit www.spacecomexpo.com.

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