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## Space ISAC Launches New Website: S-ISAC.org

**COLORADO SPRINGS, CO, Tuesday, April 14, 2020** – Conceived by the Science & Technology Partnership Forum in 2017 in response to recognized information-sharing gaps within the cybersecurity and space community, the [Space Information Sharing and Analysis Center](http://www.s-isac.org) (ISAC) was announced in April 2019 during a classified session at the 35<sup>th</sup> Space Symposium in Colorado Springs, CO. The Space ISAC held its inaugural board meeting in November 2019.

Today, the Space ISAC unveils its new website, a new resource for collaboration to protect space missions and global space assets. The launch of this new website is an important milestone as the Space ISAC approaches initial operating capability and readies for the launch of its threat intelligence platform.

**David Weissmiller**, Chair of the Space ISAC Member and Benefits Committee and Director of Parsons Space Solutions, said, “The Space-ISAC is excited to roll out its new website. This is the front door for new members to see what the Space ISAC provides and how important our collaborative contribution is to the global security of the space domain. The challenges we face in space impact everyone. Now more than ever, we need resilient global space capabilities and persistent threat monitoring to keep our technology, our economies, and our day-to-day lives moving forward. We are all in this together and we are all part of the solution. We invite everyone to stop by, take a look, and get excited about being a part of this growing team.”

“While many of us are focused on dealing with the current pandemic, whether with personal issues or protecting our workforce, we can’t let our guard down. We are stronger together. The Space ISAC was formed expressly to allow the space community to benefit from our combined experiences and strengths as we protect the assets and capabilities so important to our economies and security,” said **Michael Ryschkewitsch**, Co-chair of the Space ISAC Membership and Benefits Committee and Head of Space Exploration at the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory.

**Erin Miller**, Vice President of Operations for Space ISAC, at the National Cybersecurity Center, said, “Space ISAC is celebrating its one-year anniversary and website launch. We’re offering the global space community a new avenue to reach the Space ISAC and begin the dialogue about sharing threat intelligence in a trusted ISAC environment. The website will serve as an enduring resource to the space sector with access to articles, white papers and trend reports.”

The Space ISAC serves to facilitate collaboration across the global space industry to enhance our ability to prepare for and respond to vulnerabilities, incidents, and threats; to disseminate timely and actionable information among member entities; and to serve as the primary communications channel for the sector with respect to this information.

To visit the brand-new Space ISAC website, please visit: [www.s-isac.org](http://www.s-isac.org).

## **Background**

ISACs are sector-specific, member-driven organizations stood up by the commercial sector with support from the federal government to collect, analyze, and disseminate cyber and physical security threats and risk mitigation information to critical infrastructure owners, operators, and members to increase resiliency.

The Space ISAC is the only space-dedicated ISAC and is made possible through the investment by its board and founding members. Initial founding members of the Space ISAC, which include [Kratos Defense & Security Solutions, Inc.](#) (NASDAQ: KTOS), [Booz Allen Hamilton](#) (NYSE: BAH), [MITRE](#), [SES](#), [Lockheed Martin](#) (NYSE: LMT), [Northrop Grumman](#) (NYSE: NOC), [Parsons Corporation](#) (NYSE: PSN), [Purdue University](#), the [Space Dynamics Laboratory](#), and the [Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory](#) are each granted a seat on the board of directors and has a role in fulfilling the mission of the ISAC: to facilitate collaboration across the global space industry to enhance our ability to prepare for and respond to vulnerabilities, incidents, and threats; to disseminate timely and actionable information among member firms; and to serve as the primary communications channel for the sector with respect to this information.

The need for a Space ISAC was conceived by the Science & Technology Partnership Forum in 2017 in response to recognized information sharing gaps within the cybersecurity and space community with the goal of enhancing the community's ability to prepare for and respond to vulnerabilities, incidents, and threats; disseminate timely information; and serve as the primary communications channel for the sector with respect to this information. The Forum shared this vision at the 34<sup>th</sup> Space Symposium in April 2018. In September 2018, the White House published the [White House's National Cyber Strategy](#), which stated that "the Administration will enhance efforts to protect our space assets and support infrastructure from evolving cyber threats," while working "with industry and international partners to strengthen the cyber resilience of existing and future space systems."

The Space ISAC was announced in April 2019 during a classified session at the 35<sup>th</sup> Space Symposium and is located at the National Cybersecurity Center in Colorado Springs, CO.

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established the nation's first Department of Computer Science in 1962. Its cybersecurity program is similarly groundbreaking and is currently ranked the No. 2 cyber school. With 24 alumni who became NASA astronauts, including the first and most recent person on the moon, Purdue is called the "Cradle of Astronauts." Committed to pursuing scientific discoveries and engineered solutions, Purdue has streamlined pathways for faculty and student innovators who have a vision for engaging with the private sector and moving the world forward. Further information is available at: [www.purdue.edu](http://www.purdue.edu).

#### **About the Space Dynamics Laboratory**

The Space Dynamics Laboratory (SDL) has been solving the technical challenges faced by the military, science community, and industry for six decades and supports NASA's vision to reveal the unknown for the benefit of humankind. As one of 14 University Affiliated Research Centers, SDL serves as a subject matter expert in its core research areas to the U.S. Government, ensuring that essential engineering and technology capabilities are maintained. SDL is a research laboratory headquartered in North Logan, UT, and has offices in Albuquerque, NM; Bedford, MA; Dayton, OH; Huntsville, AL; Houston, TX; Los Angeles, CA; Stafford, VA; and Washington, DC. For more information, visit [www.sdl.usu.edu](http://www.sdl.usu.edu).

#### **About Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory**

The Applied Physics Laboratory, a not-for-profit division of The Johns Hopkins University, meets critical national challenges through the innovative application of science and technology. For more information, visit [www.jhuapl.edu](http://www.jhuapl.edu).

#### **About the National Cybersecurity Center**

The [National Cybersecurity Center](http://www.ncc.gov) (NCC) is recognized as a leader in cybersecurity and serves as the operational arm of the Space ISAC. Locating the Space ISAC at the NCC allows Space ISAC members to have access to Colorado's space and cybersecurity ecosystems within the commercial and defense sectors and to the talents of the premier higher education institutions developing cybersecurity engineers. Together, NCC and the Space ISAC serve cyber influencers from the commercial sector, academia, government, and military and empower people to secure commercial, international, and military space communications from attacks on our global space assets. They are jointly building a research and development capability, cybersecurity training curriculum, and an analysis portal. With the addition of the Space ISAC, NCC is offering training on secure GPS and hosts a dialogue on the importance of international and commercial satellites on military communication at the annual Cyber Symposium. Visit [www.cyber-center.org](http://www.cyber-center.org) for more information.

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