

# **AIPAS**

## **Italian Association of Space SMEs**



## **ITALIAN AEROSPACE SMEs ASSOCIATION**

**AIPAS was created in 1998 with the objective to serve the needs of Small and Medium sized companies operating in the space sector.**

**AIPAS is a No-Profit Association and it aims at:**

- ❖ promoting in the various national and international centres the general interests of Space SMEs;**
- ❖ tackling the fundamental problems of the Aerospace market by elaborating, monitoring and observing activities on the field;**
- ❖ promoting and examining the legislative, administrative, economical and financial provisions that are of interest of its Associates;**
- ❖ promoting and organising collective participation in industrial/commercial fairs;**
- ❖ encouraging companies to work together and to create consortia;**
- ❖ Joining other national and international Associations or Agencies in the interest of its Associates.**



## ITALIAN AEROSPACE SMEs ASSOCIATION

### AIPAS BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION:

**Giovanni Sylos Labini (President)**  
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# CURRENT AIPAS MEMBERS

27 Associated companies, within:

- 2 CONSORTIA

- 3 Big Companies:

❖ EADS-Astrium;

❖ CGS SpA (OHB group);

❖ Intecs SpA.

Representing more than 50 space SMEs.



- AERONAUTICAL SERVICE Srl
- AGT Srl
- ALMASpace Srl
- ALTA SpA
- ALTER ITALY
- ANTARES Scral
- C.A.M.A Snc
- CGS SpA – Compagnia Generale per lo Spazio (ex Carlo Gavazzi Space)
- EADS-Astrium SAS
- ETS Sistemi Industriali Srl
- IMT Srl
- Ingegneri Speranza Srl
- INNOVA Consorzio per l'Informatica e la Telematica Srl (Consortium)
- INTECS SpA
- ISIS R&D Srl
- MEC Srl
- Media Lario Srl
- NEAT Srl
- PLANETEK ITALIA Srl
- SAB AEROSPACE Srl
- SATOR Astronomia Srl
- SITAEL Aerospace Srl
- SPACE ENGINEERING SpA
- TECHNO SYSTEM DEV. Srl
- TELEMATIC SOLUTIONS SpA
- TSAT SpA
- TEMIS Srl

## **AIPAS ACTIVITIES NATIONAL LEVEL**

- **Networking among associated members: creation of Consortia and groups of research;**
- **Encouraging dialogue and cooperation between SMEs and large enterprises;**
- **Collaboration with ASI for the definition of an effective policy towards SMEs and monitoring of the results;**
- **Representation of Italian space SMEs at the National GMES Steering Committee;**
- **Participation at national and international events, i.e. Sat Expo 2009, IAC, EU SPACE SME WEEK (Rome, May 2009)**
- **AIPAS takes part at every survey and/or study concerning space industry in Italy**

- ❖ AIPAS is the founder of SME4SPACE, a panel of SME space Associations representing most of the ESA Member States.
- ❖ The aim of this new organisation is to voice Space SMEs' viewpoint in an organised and coordinated way and to facilitate the access of SMEs to space activities in general and to ESA programmes in particular.



On June 2007, during Le Bourget in Paris, ESA Director General J.J. Dordain and SME4SPACE Chairman, G. Sylos-Labini, signed a Memorandum of Agreement.

### SME4SPACE MEMBERS:

1. AIPAS – Italy – [www.aipas.it](http://www.aipas.it)
2. ASTOS – UK – [www.astos.org.uk](http://www.astos.org.uk)
3. CSA – Repubblica Ceca – [www.czechspace.eu](http://www.czechspace.eu)
4. AKRK of DLR – Germania – [www.dlr.de](http://www.dlr.de)
5. VRI – Belgio – [www.vrind.be](http://www.vrind.be)
6. POLSPACE – Polonia – [www.polSPACE.pl](http://www.polSPACE.pl)
7. SYDERAL – Svizzera – [www.syderal.ch](http://www.syderal.ch)
8. Hungarian Space Cluster – Ungheria – [www.hunSPACE.org](http://www.hunSPACE.org)
9. Lithuania National Space Association – Lituania – [www.space-lt.eu](http://www.space-lt.eu)
10. Hellenic Association Of Space Industry – Grecia – [www.hellenic-asi.org](http://www.hellenic-asi.org)
11. SpaceNed – Paesi Bassi – [www.spacened.nl](http://www.spacened.nl)

- Position Paper in view of the Ministerial Council of November 2008
- SPACE4SME project, a survey commissioned by the ESA – SME Unit with the purpose of identifying the difficulties facing European Space SMEs in their efforts to participate in ESA programmes and recommendations
- First SPACE SME WEEK, in cooperation with ASI, ESA and the other Italian Associations, in the framework of the first SME Week, promoted by the EU