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Telespazio inaugurates a new Teleport in Maricá and a new Gateway for OneWeb's LEO satellite constellation

Telespazio Brasil, a subsidiary of Telespazio (a Leonardo and Thales 67/33% joint venture) today presented its new Maricá satellite teleport in the State of Rio de Janeiro (Brazil), which is hosting the new OneWeb low-Earth orbit satellite Gateway.

Both the infrastructures were inaugurated with the ceremony of the ribbon cutting attended by the Secretary of Rio de Janeiro's Civil House, **Nicola Miccione**, the Executive Secretary of the Communications Ministry (MCOM), **Sônia Faustino Mendes**, the Italian Ambassador in Brazil, **Francesco Azzarello**, the General Consul of Italy in Rio de Janeiro, **Massimiliano Iacchini**, the General Consul of the United Kingdom in Rio de Janeiro, **Anjoum Noorani**, Maricá's Mayor, **Fabiano Horta** and several political and military authorities.

The event also counted with the presence of the Coordinator of Space Activities at Leonardo and CEO of Telespazio **Luigi Pasquali**, Telespazio Latin America Regional Director and CEO of Telespazio Brasil **Marzio Laurenti**, and the Head of Regulatory and Government Affairs at OneWeb **Christopher Casarrubias**.

With a surface area of 150.000m² Telespazio Teleport in Maricá is one of the most advanced satellite teleports in Latin America. Maricá can host several satellites earth stations, LEO and GEO satellites infrastructures, Earth observation ground stations ensuring the highest level of availability and security. The Teleport has a great location due the proximity of state and federal roads (RJ-106 and BR-101), airports and the major business center in Rio. Served with redundant internet connection and fiber connectivity to the main datacenters in Rio de Janeiro and São Paulo.

The OneWeb Gateway occupies an area of 50.000m² and is currently operating with 15 antennas. It is served by a fully equipped redundant data center in the same location. The Gateway will be part of OneWeb's LATAM ground system to deliver true broadband experience with low-latency and high-security communications for government institutions, defense, Oil & Gas and aviation industries, as well as for mobile network companies bringing 3G, 4G and 5G to all parts of Brazil.

The partnership between Telespazio and OneWeb dates back to 2019, when another OneWeb Gateway was installed at Telespazio's Scanzano Space Center, in Palermo (Italy), which currently has 15 operative antennas.

"The inauguration of the Marica Teleport is a key piece in Telespazio's global strategy on Ground Segment. Brazil, where we have been present since 1997, and more generally Latin America, is a region with economic potential only partially expressed, with some economies in strong growth and with a clear satellite vocation both for SATCOM and Geoinformation services. It is an emerging

market, interesting as much as competitive, in which Telespazio renews its commitment”, pointed **Luigi Pasquali**, Coordinator of Space Activities at Leonardo and CEO of Telespazio.

“The new Marica Teleport is part of Telespazio strategy that aims from one side to enlarge our SATCOM portfolio - as the fundamental inclusion of LEO capabilities from OneWeb - and from another side to offer ground-as-services opportunities to the satellite operators, as OneWeb, that we are proud to have as a partner and a customer. Our intention is to concentrate in this Teleport our future satellites ground infrastructure”, stated **Marzio Laurenti**, Latin America Regional Director of Telespazio and CEO of Telespazio Brasil.

Christopher Casarrubias, Head of Regulatory and Government Affairs at OneWeb commented: “We are delighted to take our longstanding relationship with Telespazio to the next phase with the completion of this satellite gateway in Brazil. This gateway will be one of the most advanced in Latin America and help to bring reliable connectivity to Brazilian communities and customers across the country. As OneWeb looks ahead to the completion of our constellation and global coverage this year, this marks a significant milestone for our business and for the people and business in Brazil.”

About OneWeb

OneWeb is a global communications network powered from space, headquartered in London, enabling connectivity for governments, businesses, and communities. It is implementing a constellation of Low Earth Orbit satellites with a network of global gateway stations and a range of user terminals to provide an affordable, fast, high-bandwidth and low-latency communications service, connected to the IoT future and a pathway to 5G for everyone, everywhere. Find out more at <http://www.oneweb.world>

About Telespazio Brazil

Telespazio Brasil is a subsidiary of Telespazio, world leader in satellite services with more than 60 years of experience in the space field. Present in Brazil since 1997 and headquartered in Rio de Janeiro, Telespazio Brasil is today one of the main providers of Satellite Telecommunications and Geo-Information applications in the country. It offers a wide range of cutting-edge solutions in the context of satellite telecommunications, multimedia services, satellite ground systems services, Earth observation services and applications for the Corporate, Government markets and institutional clients. In the field of Earth observation, Telespazio Brasil sells satellite data generated by the Italian radar constellation COSMO-SkyMed on behalf of e-GEOS (80% Telespazio; 20% ASI). <https://www.telespazio.com/pt/latam>

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