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# The role of skills to support EU space strategies

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*The lack of staff is a challenge for Europe's companies. We must invest much more in training and further education. **This is why I am proposing to make 2023 the European Year of Skills.***

*President of the European Commission, Ursula von der Leyen*

*14.09.2022, State of the Union*

# EUROPEAN SKILLS AGENDA

1. **A Pact for Skills** including upscaling sectoral Blueprints

**Joining forces**

2. Strengthening skills intelligence
3. National Skills Strategies and Public Employment Services
4. Recommendation on VET
5. European Universities
6. Skills to support twin transitions
7. STEM graduates, entrepreneurial and transversal skills
8. Skills for Life

**Skilling for a job**

**Tools for lifelong learning**

9. Individual learning accounts
10. Micro-credentials
11. Europass

**Unlocking investment**

12. Framework to unlock Member States' and private investments in skills

# HOW?





## Aerospace and Defence:

- Aircraft production;
- Space manufacturing and services;
- Defence products and technologies.

1. Skills pact for Aerospace and Defence, 10 November 2020
2. SPACE4GEO – Large scale skills partnership on Space Data, Services and Applications 25 April 2023



# SUPPORT SERVICES

## Networking Hub

Support in finding partners and first meetings

Link with existing EU tools e.g. Europass, Skills Panorama

Promotion of the activities of the Pact members

## Knowledge Hub

Webinars, seminars, peer learning activities

Updates on the EU policies and instruments

Information on projects, tools, instruments and best practices

## Guidance & Resources Hub

Access to information on relevant EU funding

Guidance to identify financial possibilities

Facilitation of exchange between the Pact and national/ regional authorities

**EU and national funding**



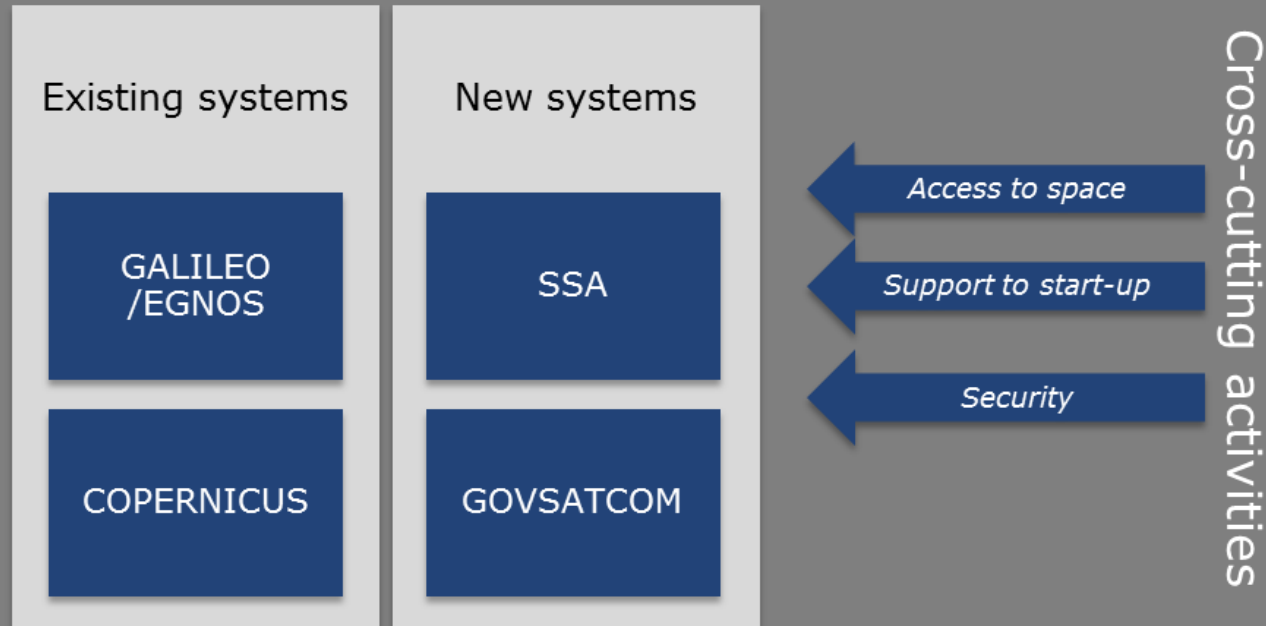
# New policy priorities require new skillsets



- Green transition (climate neutrality, sustainable development)
- Digital transition (enhancing competitiveness)
- EU's strategic autonomy in key sectors and resilience of critical value chains
- Uptake of space data services and applications
- Address emerging needs related to security and defence.
- Equal opportunity and inclusiveness



# Union Space Programme 2021 – 2027



Art 6 – Actions in support of an innovative and competitive Union space sector: the provision of **education and training activities**, in particular for professionals, entrepreneurs, graduates and students, notably through synergies with initiatives at national and regional levels, for the **development of advanced skills**.





# Horizon R&I & Erasmus+ Programmes





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Q&A

