

## Acronyms

<b>AIA</b>	Aerospace Industries Association
<b>AIS</b>	Automatic Identification System
<b>ASI</b>	Agenzia Spaziale Italiana (Italian Space Agency)
<b>BERD</b>	Business Enterprise Research and Development
<b>BNSC</b>	British National Space Centre
<b>BRIC</b>	Brazil, Russian Federation, India and China
<b>BRIIC</b>	Brazil, Russian Federation, India, Indonesia and China
<b>CAST</b>	China Aerospace Science and Technology Group
<b>CDTI</b>	Centro Para el Desarrollo Tecnológico Industrial (Spain)
<b>CEOS</b>	Committee on Earth Observation Satellites
<b>CNES</b>	Centre National d'Études Spatiales (French Space Agency)
<b>CSA</b>	Canadian Space Agency
<b>DBS</b>	Direct Broadcasting Satellite
<b>DLR</b>	Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt (German Aerospace Center)
<b>DTH</b>	Direct-to-Home Satellite
<b>EC</b>	European Commission
<b>EPO</b>	European Patent Office
<b>ESA</b>	European Space Agency
<b>FAA</b>	Federal Aviation Administration
<b>FSS</b>	Fixed Satellite Service
<b>FTE</b>	Full-time Equivalent
<b>GBAORD</b>	Government Budget Appropriations or Outlays for Research and Development
<b>GEO</b>	Geostationary orbit
<b>GIFAS</b>	Groupement des Industries Françaises Aéronautiques et Spatiales
<b>GPS</b>	Global Positioning System
<b>GSO</b>	Geosynchronous orbit
<b>IFP</b>	International Futures Programme
<b>INSEE</b>	Institut National de la Statistique et des Etudes Economiques
<b>ISRO</b>	Indian Space Research Organisation
<b>ITAR</b>	International Traffic in Arms Regulations
<b>ITCS</b>	International Trade in Commodity Statistics
<b>ITU</b>	International Telecommunications Union
<b>JAXA</b>	Japanese Aerospace Exploration Agency
<b>KARI</b>	Korean Aerospace Research institute
<b>LEO</b>	Low earth orbit
<b>MSS</b>	Mobile Satellite Service
<b>NAICS</b>	North American Industry Classification System
<b>NASA</b>	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
<b>NOAA</b>	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
<b>NSC</b>	Norwegian Space Centre

<b>OECD</b>	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
<b>PCT</b>	Patent Co-operation Treaty
<b>PPP</b>	Purchase Power Parities
<b>Roscosmos</b>	Russian Federal Space Agency
<b>SANSA</b>	South African National Space Agency
<b>SJAC</b>	Society of Japanese Aerospace Companies
<b>SME</b>	Small and medium enterprises
<b>SSO</b>	Sun synchronous orbit
<b>SSO</b>	Swiss Space Office
<b>UKSA</b>	United Kingdom Space Agency
<b>USGS</b>	United States Geological Survey
<b>USPTO</b>	United States Patent and Trademark Office



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