



9th Edition of Bengaluru Space Expo (BSX) 2026
International Conference on Space
Harnessing Space for Global Progress: Innovation, Policy, and Growth
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PLENARY SESSIONS

DAY 2 - 8 September 2026 (Jacaranda Hall)

0900 – 1000 Hrs	Arrival and Networking Tea & Coffee
1000 – 1100 Hrs	Earth Observation (EO) to Intelligence: Driving Societal & Business Impacts
1100 – 1130 Hrs	Keynote Address by Director, PMAD, IN-SPACE on <i>“Industry Enablement through Policy & Regulatory Reform: IN-SPACE Initiatives to Accelerate the Indian Space Economy”</i>
1130 – 1230 Hrs	Human Spaceflight & Deep Space Exploration: The Next Frontier
1230 – 1330 Hrs	Sustainable Access to Space: Greener Launch Systems, Debris Mitigation & Responsible Mission Operations
1330 – 1340 Hrs	Special Address by Secretary, ITBT, Karnataka on <i>“Karnataka Space Ecosystem & Space Tech Policy 2025-30”</i>
1345 – 1430 Hrs	Networking Lunch
1430 – 1500 Hrs	Keynote Address by JS, IN-SPACE on <i>Industry Enablement through Space Manufacturing Clusters: IN-SPACE Assistance for Unlock Space Manufacturing at Scale</i>
1500 – 1600 Hrs	Enhanced Focus on AI and Emerging Technologies: Driving Space Research, Innovation, and Commercial Growth
1600 – 1615 Hrs	Talk by Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla, Indian Astronaut
1615 – 1715 Hrs	Accelerating the NewSpace Economy through a Triple Helix Collaboration
1715 – 1745 Hrs	Networking Tea & Coffee

PARALLEL COUNTRY & FOCUSED SESSIONS

DAY 2 – 8 September 2026 (Cassia Hall)

1030 – 1130 Hrs	UK and India: Driving Growth in the Space Economy
1145 – 1245 Hrs	Europe- India Space Connect: Building Partnerships for the NewSpace Economy
1500 – 1700 Hrs	Startup Investor Session - <i>Investing in Infinity: Boosting Ideas to Orbit</i>



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Plenary Session IV

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1000 - 1100 Hrs Earth Observation (EO) to Intelligence: Driving Societal & Business Impacts

Session will explore how Earth Observation technologies are transforming decision-making across sectors by delivering actionable intelligence for societal good and commercial growth. Discussion will focus on how EO data supports climate resilience, disaster management, agriculture, urban planning, and infrastructure monitoring, while also enabling new business models for industry. It will also highlight how advanced analytics, AI, and satellite technologies are enabling data-driven solutions that create societal benefits and unlock new commercial opportunities. Speakers will highlight current gaps, user-industry needs, and the pathways to scale EO adoption through improved accessibility, analytics, and policy support, ultimately showcasing EO's role in driving both national development and market opportunities.

1000 - 1003 Hrs *Opening Remarks & moderation by Session Chair* **Dr. Prakash Chauhan**, Director, NRSC*

1003 – 1100 Hrs *Panelists*

Dr Chandra Prakash Singh, Deputy Director-Technical Directorate, INSPACe

Mr Jack Kendall, Dr. Sc., CEO, Nordfen, Switzerland

Mr Suyash Singh, CEO & Co-Founder, GalaxEye Space

Mr Vishesh Vatsal, Co-Founder & CTO, Hyspace Technologies

Mr Ankit Bhateja, Founder & Director, Xovian Aerospace

Mr Krishanu Acharya, CEO and Co-Founder Suhora Technologies

Mr Sathvik Shetty, Director, India LatConnect60, Australia

Closing Remarks by Session Chair



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Special Session II

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1100 - 1130 Hrs Keynote Address by Director, PMAD, IN-SPACe

1100 - 1130 Hrs	Industry Enablement through Policy & Regulatory Reform: IN-SPACE Initiatives to Accelerate the Indian Space Economy	Dr. Prafulla Kumar Jain Director - Program Management and Authorisation, IN-SPACE
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Plenary Session V

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1130 - 1230 Hrs Human Spaceflight & Deep Space Exploration: The Next Frontier

India's remarkable achievements in space science from the historic Chandrayaan-3 lunar landing to the NISAR mission and the ambitious Gaganyaan programme are redefining its role in global NewSpace leadership. The session will explore India's growing capabilities in human spaceflight and deep-space exploration, highlighting technological advancements, industry participation, international perspectives and emerging opportunities shaping the future of sustained human presence beyond Earth. Discussions will also cover human-rated systems, space habitats, advanced technologies, life-support systems, and lunar and planetary exploration, while examining opportunities for international perspectives to enable the next generation of human spaceflight and deep-space missions.

1130 - 1137 Hrs *Opening Remarks by Session Chair* **Dr Biju S.R.**, Director, Human Space Flight Centre (HSFC), ISRO

Moderation by **Dr Aastha Jhala**, Founder, AAKA Space

1137 - 1230 Hrs *Panelists* **Air Commodore Ravish Malhotra (Rtd)**, Distinguished IFA Test Pilot & India's Pioneer Astronaut

Mr SS Vinod, Project Director, Ganganyaan, ISRO

AVM Rahul Gupta, ACAS Ops (Space), DTE of Ops (Space), Air HQ

Air Commodore Prasanth Balakrishnan Nair KC, Indian Astronaut, ISRO

Mr Tony Forsythe, Head - Technology, UK Space Agency

Mr Masayuki Urata, Regional Manager, Asia Pacific Sales Group, ispace Inc., Japan

Ms Natalia Platonova, Head- Global Marketing, Glavkosmos JSC, Russia

Closing Remarks by Session Chair



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Plenary Session VI

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1230 - 1330 Hrs Sustainable Access to Space: Greener Launch Systems, Debris Mitigation & Responsible Mission Operations

Session will underscore the critical importance of achieving sustainable access to space through cleaner launch technologies, effective debris-mitigation measures, space situational awareness (SSA), space traffic management, and responsible mission operations. It will explore advancements such as green propellants, reusable launch systems, lightweight and high-efficiency solar technologies, including next-generation printed solar cells, and design-for-deorbit principles that help reduce launch mass, improve mission efficiency, and curb the growing challenge of orbital debris. Discussion will also cover essential practices for responsible operations such as space-traffic management, collision-avoidance frameworks, and sustainability standards for satellites and large constellations.

1230 - 1233 Hrs	<i>Opening remarks and moderation by session moderator</i>	Mr Sudheer N Kumar Vice President, XDLINX Space Labs
1233 - 1330 Hrs	<i>Panelists</i>	Mr Manish Saxena , Director, SCN-PO, ISRO Mr Umang M Parikh , General Manager- Ground Segment, NewSpace India Limited (NSIL) Mr Tushar Jadhav , Co-founder, Manastu Space Technologies Private Limited Mr Tanveer Ahmed , Co-founder & CTO, Digantara Dr Chiranjeevi Phanindra , Founder & CEO, Cosmoserve Space Mr Sakthikumar R. , Founder & CEO, OrbitAID Aerospace Private Limited Mr Anand Verma , CEO, Perovskia Solar, Switzerland

Closing Remarks by Session Moderator



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Special Session IV

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1430 - 1500 Hrs Keynote Address by Joint Secretary, IN-SPACE

1430 – 1500 Hrs	Industry Enablement through Space Manufacturing Clusters: IN-SPACE Assistance for Unlock Space Manufacturing at Scale	Shri Anupam Anand, IAS Joint Secretary IN-SPACE
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Plenary Session VII

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1500 - 1600 Hrs Enhanced Focus on AI and Emerging Technologies: Driving Space Research, Innovation, and Commercial Growth

Session will examine how cutting-edge technologies including Artificial Intelligence, edge computing, advanced manufacturing & 3D printing, advanced propulsion & space mobility, electronics, avionics & indigenous technology, quantum and other next-generation technologies relevant to future space architectures, shaping the future of space R&D, improving mission efficiency, and unlocking new commercial opportunities, thereby transforming space ecosystem. It may also highlight the role of private and startups in fostering innovation, accelerating research, and enabling commercial growth to drive a globally competitive and technologically advanced space sector.

1500 - 1507 Hrs *Opening Remarks by Session Chair* **Dr UP Rajeev**, Director, Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC), ISRO

Moderation by **Dr Vinod Chippalkatti**, CTO, Centum Electronics

1507 – 1600 Hrs *Panelists* **Mr MS Anurup**, Director, STPO, ISRO, DoS, GoI

Mr Srinath Ravichandran, Co-founder & CEO, Agnikul Cosmos

Mr Yashas Karanam, Co-founder & COO, Bellatrix Aerospace

Mr. Johan Leijtens, CEO, Lens R&D, The Netherlands

Prof Greg Cohen, Space Research Lead & Inventor of the Astrosite and Director, ICNS, Australia

Mr Vinu Vijayan, Managing Director, EOS India & HO Strategic Business, EOS, Asia Pacific, EOS Singapore Pte.

Closing Remarks by Session Chair



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Special Session V

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1600 – 1615 Hrs Talk by the Indian Astronaut

1600 - 1615 Hrs **Grp Captain Shubhanshu Shukla**
Indian Astronaut, ISRO



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Plenary Session VIII

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1615 - 1715 Hrs Accelerating the NewSpace Economy through a Triple Helix Collaboration

Discussion will highlight the significance of stronger Academia–Industry–Government collaboration in accelerating the NewSpace economy of any nation by fostering research excellence, driving innovation, strengthening STEM education, and developing a future-ready skilled talent pool. Session will also examine the role of industry and government in strengthening academia–industry partnerships, promoting space innovation, and creating greater opportunities for STEM learning, research, entrepreneurship, and workforce development.

1615 - 1618 Hrs	<i>Opening Remarks & moderation by Session Chair</i>	Dr. Vinod Kumar Director- Promotional Directorate, IN-SPACe
1618 - 1713 Hrs	<i>Panelists</i>	Mr G. Harikrishnan, Director, Capacity Building and Programme Office (CBPO), ISRO Mr Gautam Sharma, Managing Director, Viasat Prof Satya Chakravarthy, Aerospace Engineering Professor, IIT Madras Prof. Sanjay H Upadhyay, Head, Centre for Space Science and Technology (CSST) & Professor, IIT Roorkee Wg Cdr P Madhusoodhanan, Vice President - Aerospace & Defence, Tamil Nadu Industrial Development Corporation, The Government of Tamil Nadu Mr Renato Aurigemma, Director, Società Aerospaziale Mediterranea and R&D & Business Development Manager at Euro.Soft. srl, Italy Dr CVS Kiran, Founder & CEO, Red Balloon
1713 - 1715 Hrs	<i>Closing Remarks by Session Chair</i>	
1715 - 1720 Hrs	Exchange of MoU by IN-SPACe and Release of CII Publication	

End of Day 2



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The United Kingdom Session: Cassia Hall

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1030 - 1130 Hrs		UK and India: Driving Growth in the Space Economy	
1030 – 1040 Hrs	<i>UK Space: Capability, Ecosystem & Global Collaborations</i>		Ms Jaya Choraria , Deputy Trade Commissioner for South Asia, British High Commission Ms Kaoutar Abousmir , Head- International Space Policy & Global Governance, UK Space Agency
	<i>Moderated by</i>		Ms Nicholas Gribit , First Secretary – Trade, British High Commission
1040 - 1130 Hrs	<i>UK Company Presentations</i>	<i>Showcase</i>	Mr Richard Adams , Sales Director, Bright Ascension
			Mr Peter Stoken , Director of Business Development - APAC & MEA, Filtronic
			Mr Paul Haselgrove , Sales Director, Cambridge Vacuum Engineering
			Mr Vishnu Srinivasamurthy , Co-founder & CSO, Mass Balance
			Mr Sivaram Kurapati , Senior Engineer, MDA Space UK
			Mr Amjad Khan , Head of Production, Orbital Astronautics
			Mr Paul Day , Requirements and Capabilities – Space, Raytheon UK
			Mr Vedaprabhu Basavarajappa , Founder & CEO, Beamgrid Technologies



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Europe Session: Cassia Hall

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1145 - 1245 Hrs Europe- India Space Connect: Building Partnerships for the NewSpace Economy

Europe and India share a strong and growing partnership in the space sector, driven by technological innovation, commercial opportunities, and a shared vision for sustainable space development. With Europe's advanced space capabilities and India's rapidly expanding NewSpace ecosystem, there is significant potential for collaboration across satellites, launch services, Earth observation, communications, space exploration, and emerging technologies. Strengthening industry-to-industry partnerships can unlock new markets, accelerate innovation, and build a more resilient global space economy. This will explore opportunities for collaboration, innovation, technology partnerships, investment, and market access, shaping a more connected and competitive global space ecosystem.

1145 - 1148 Hrs	<i>Context setting & moderation</i>	Mr Devanshu Ganatra , Partner, GraySpace
1148 - 1153 Hrs	<i>Address</i>	Professor Sergio Ledda , Italian Scientific Attaché to India
1153 - 1200 Hrs	<i>Address</i>	Mr Jean Claude Souyris , Director (Strategy), CNES, France
1200 - 1245 Hrs	<i>Panel Discussion</i>	Mr Gianpietro Marchiori , President, EIE GROUP, Italy Mr Paulo P , Founder & Managing Director, SSIP, Switzerland Dr Siddharth Pandey , Space Systems Engineer and Strategic Partnerships Lead (Asia Pacific), Fugro , The Netherlands Mr Fabien Ghez , Chief Sales Officer, CAILABS, France Mr Navneet Singh , Chief Executive Officer, Kepler Aero



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Investor- Startup Connect

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1500 - 1700 Hrs Investing in Infinity: Boosting Ideas to Orbit

Step into India's Space Revolution at "Investing in Infinity: Boosting Ideas to Orbit", a curated session where visionary founders and sharp-eyed investors come together to shape the next decade of the Indian Space Economy. As Space Reforms unleash unprecedented entrepreneurial momentum and a wave of cutting-edge NGEs across launch, satellites, downstream services and beyond, this session offers a rare, front-row seat to the "Next Big Ideas" poised to go global. From sharp strategic insights and insider perspectives to live startup pitches and interactive investor-founder engagement, this is the room where bold capital meets breakthrough innovation and where India's space ecosystem starts to take commercial flight.

1500 – 1505 Hrs	<i>Opening Address</i> <i>India's Space Inflection Point</i>	AVM D V Khot (Retd.) , Director, Strategy & Planning, IN-SPACE
1505 – 1510 Hrs	<i>Chairman's Remarks</i>	Dr Pawan Goenka Chairman, IN-SPACE
1510 – 1515 Hrs.	<i>Address</i> <i>Space Sector Investments</i>	Shri Manish Chadha Joint Secretary, Department of Commerce
1515 – 1535 Hrs.	<i>SME Talk : "Backing Space Unicorns Before They Take Off"</i>	Mr Vishesh Rajaram Founding Partner, Speciale Invest
1535 – 1640 Hrs.	<i>Pitch Arena: "Rules of Engagement"</i> <i>Pitch Arena</i>	AVM D V Khot (Retd.) , Director, Strategy & Planning, IN-SPACE Thrustworks Dynetics GalaxEye Grahaa Space Sanyark Gimbal Space India Private Limited MistEO Kessler Dynamics TakeMe2Space Serendipity Space Inbound Aerospace Private Limited
	<i>Investor Jury</i>	Panel Feedback
1640 – 1655 Hrs.	<i>Open House</i>	Moderated Open House
1655 – 1700 Hrs.	<i>Summary & Closing Remarks</i>	AVM D V Khot (Retd.) , Director, Strategy & Planning, IN-SPACE