

Italy's Space Industry on Display in Washington. Italian Trade Agency and ASI Lead 22 Companies at Satellite Conference

WASHINGTON, DC, UNITED STATES, March 13, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Italy's aerospace leaders are capturing attention in the U.S., driving forward a pivotal quarter of strategic growth in the global space tech arena. Following successful engagements at SpaceCom in Orlando and ASCENDxTexas in League City, the Italian Trade Agency (ITA) and the Italian Space Agency (ASI) are now leading Italy's national delegation at the Satellite Conference & Exhibition, which is currently taking place in Washington D.C.

Within the Italian Pavilion, organized by [ITA's Houston Office](#) in cooperation with ASI, a carefully selected group of companies representing Italy's advanced know-how and technological skills showcased their solutions: Alma Sistemi, Celab, Connex Italiana, DTM, IngeniArs, Leaf Space, Stellar Project, Gestione Silo, Intella, LLS Titanium, Nurjana Technologies, Revolv Space. Additionally, other Italian companies attending the event (outside of the pavilion) include Aiko, Argotec, Cospal Composites, e-Cosmic, Impulso Space, New Production Concept, Optec, Picosats, Sicilsat Communications, Thales Alenia Space.

Held annually in the U.S. capital, the Satellite Conference & Exhibition is regarded as a premier event for the global satellite and connectivity industry, attracting top-tier players due to its proximity to key U.S. government institutions.

"For Italian companies, this event offers a unique opportunity to reinforce their global visibility, engage key decision-makers, and form strategic partnerships. The satellite sector, in particular, where Italy is recognized as a global leader, is experiencing a pivotal period of growth," said Filippo Fusaro, Trade Commissioner of ITA's Houston office.



Italian Pavilion at Satellite Conference 2025

ITA also partnered with Payload Space as a sponsor for the DC Space Industry Happy Hour on March 12, a major networking event that draws hundreds of industry stakeholders, providing Italian companies with further opportunities for new business contacts and collaborations.

The Satellite Conference & Exhibition, which connects major players across telecommunications, defense, automotive, healthcare, and related industries leveraging satellite technology, further strengthens Italy's global positioning, promoting business opportunities through targeted B2B meetings and networking.

Strategic Events Across the U.S.

This quarter remains critical for Italy's aerospace industry in the U.S. In late January, SpaceCom in Orlando, Florida gathered the entire space ecosystem, including major U.S. government entities such as NASA, the Department of Defense (DoD), and Space Force. Italy, represented by ITA and ASI, featured nine prominent aerospace companies.

On February 26-27 in League City, Texas, ASCENDxTexas—organized by the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA), of which ITA is a member—brought the space community together to explore innovative strategies and global market opportunities.

Concluding the series, the Space Symposium scheduled for April 7-10 in Colorado Springs, led by ITA in partnership with ASI, is one of the industry's most significant forums for global stakeholders to meet and collaborate.

Italy's Space Tech Growth in the U.S.

In 2024, Italy's aerospace industry achieved remarkable growth, reaching €18 billion in revenues, with approximately €8 billion from exports.

Exports of Italian aerospace products to the U.S. surged to \$3.17 billion in 2024, marking a significant 27.37% increase from \$2.49 billion in 2023, according to Trade Data Monitor data analyzed by ITA's Houston Office. This growth rate notably exceeds the overall growth rate of U.S. aerospace imports, which was 10.15% during the same period.

In comparison, other key U.S. suppliers showed lower growth rates, such as Canada (8.68%), France (4.92%), and the United Kingdom (4.04%), with Japan growing by 9.77%. Concurrently, U.S. aerospace exports to Italy increased by 18.31%, reaching \$1.28 billion, reflecting strengthening bilateral industry ties.

Italy's Aerospace Industry Overview

Nearly 60,000 employees support Italy's aerospace sector, which includes major companies and specialized SMEs producing advanced components such as composite materials, avionics, and propulsion systems.

The industry comprises three primary sectors: aeronautics (55%) including military, civilian aircraft, and components for Airbus and Boeing; space (30%), known for satellites and space modules for international missions; and defense (15%), focused on UAVs and integrated security systems.

Key Italian aerospace industrial regions include Lombardy, Piedmont, Campania, Lazio, and Puglia, each specializing in specific technologies. Major export destinations include the European Union (40%), the U.S. (25%), and the Middle East (15%), with emerging markets like India, China, and Southeast Asia presenting growing opportunities driven by rising demand for aerospace technologies.

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