

Socio-economic impact assessments of ESA programmes

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THE EUROPEAN SPACE AGENCY

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European Space Agency

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ESA facts and figures



- Over 50 years of experience
- 22 Member States
- Eight sites/facilities in Europe, about 2300 staff
- 5.6 billion euro budget (2018)
- Over 80 satellites designed, tested and operated in flight



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Purpose of ESA



"To provide for and promote, for exclusively peaceful purposes, cooperation among European states in space research and technology and their space applications."

> Article 2 of ESA Convention

> > European Space Agency



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Member States

ESA has 22 Member States:

20 states of the EU (AT, BE, CZ, DE, DK, EE, ES, FI, FR, IT, GR, HU, IE, LU, NL, PT, PL, RO, SE, UK) plus Norway and Switzerland.

7 other EU states have Cooperation Agreements with ESA: Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta and Slovakia.

Slovenia is an Associate Member.

Canada takes part in some programmes under a long-standing Cooperation Agreement.



Activities



ESA is one of the few space agencies

in the world to combine responsibility

in nearly all areas of space activity.

* Space science is a **Mandatory** programme, all Member States contribute to it according to GDP. All other programmes are **Optional**, funded 'a la carte' by Participating States.



space science



human spaceflight



exploration



earth observation



space transportation



navigation





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ESA budget for 2018: by domain





ESA's industrial policy





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About 85% of ESA's budget is spent on contracts with European industry.

ESA's industrial policy:

- Ensures that Member States get a fair return on their investment;
- Improves competitiveness of European industry;
- Maintains and develops space technology;
- Exploits the advantages of free competitive bidding, except where incompatible with objectives of the industrial policy.

ESA and the European space sector



- The European space industry sustains around 40 000 jobs
- Europe is successful in the commercial arena, with a market share of telecom and launch services higher than the fraction of Europe's public spending worldwide
- European scientific communities are world-class and attract international cooperation
- Research and innovation centres are recognised worldwide
- European space operators (Arianespace, Eumetsat, Eutelsat, SES Global, etc.) are the most successful in the world



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ESA Council



- The Council is the governing body of ESA.
- Each Member State is represented on the Council and has one vote.
- Every three years, Council meets at ministerial level ('Ministerial Council') to take key decisions on new and continuing programmes and financial commitment.





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Substantial impacts of investments in space



- Directly or indirectly, space-related activities affect (nearly) all countries, industries, firms and individuals.
- Space research has brought the world new materials, new technologies and new ways of communication.
- Applications are used in a wide range across the economy and society in general: in consumer products, in manufacturing industries, in the development and delivery of professional services, in government services, in intelligence and in defence.
- Space programmes take place on the edge of knowledge. It is often unclear what the outcomes will be, and how firms will apply these possibilities.
- Knowledge generation and sharing increase the pace of innovation and decrease production costs.

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Growing interest for socio-economic impact assessments



- Innovation and efficacy of public policy in research are called upon to support growth in Europe and to sustain employment and entrepreneurial capacities.
- The strategic dimension of space is no longer enough to claim unconditioned support of public funding.
- Governments need evidence on these socio-economic impacts and that the investments in space create jobs and build the competitive European economy of the future, while providing strategic tools to implement sovereign policies.

Assessment of the socio-economic impact of ESA programmes

To inform the decision-making process on the impacts of programmes on the economy and society

Growing importance of socio-economic impact assessments of ESA programmes

- Unprecedented effort at ESA for Space19+
- 10 independent, external studies
- Raised awareness and increased expertise

Since the last Council at Ministerial level in 2016:

- From *ex post* to *ex ante assessments*
- From large infrastructure programmes to programmes of different natures and sizes

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Socio-economic impact assessments are being conducted on most ESA programmes.

- Science and Exploration Pillar
 - Scientific Programme
 - European Exploration Envelope

Programme (E3P)



Safety and Security Pillar

- Secure Satcom
- Clean Space
- Planetary Defence



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- Applications Pillar
 - Telecommunications programmes: PPPs, Business Applications and Core Competitiveness
 - Earth Observation programmes: FutureEO, Customised EO and Operational EO
- Enabling and Support Pillar
 - Launchers: Ariane 6, Vega C, micro-launchers
 - Technology Programmes : GSTP, TRP and ITI
 - Ground systems engineering and operations and Innovation in Operations

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Methodology



- Methodology consolidated since 2012, in line with recognised standards
- Harmonised approach, tailored to the programmes
- Independent results for each study
- Conservative assumptions
- Direct comparison between all the results possible to a limited extent

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Assessment framework



- Definition of the **impacts and indicators** tailored to the programme
- Definition of the **assessment methodology** of each indicator tailored to the programme (qualitative and quantitative)
- Analysis of **sources of data** and relevant **stakeholders** (incl. scientific community, Member States, ESA, industry, research organisations and society)

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Types of impacts





Technological

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Example - Scientific impact of ESA programmes CeBa

• Production volume and quality

Number of refereed papers, number of citations, etc.

Interest from scientific community

Number of unique users accessing the scientific data, volume of data downloaded, etc.

Knowledge transfer

Knowledge cross-fertilisation, industrial cross-fertilisation, etc.

International cooperation of scientists

International co-authoring, etc.

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Example - Strategic impact of ESA programmes CeBa

- International cooperation Scientific RoI, etc.
- Industry competitiveness *Number of patents, etc.*
- European non-dependency

Level of criticality of the knowledge acquired

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Example – Societal impact of ESA programmes



• Public inspiration

Active and passive users inspiration, etc.

Education

Number of PhD theses, etc.

• Environment and sustainability

Contribution to space weather programme, etc.

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Example – Economic impact of ESA programmes COSA

• GVA / GDP impact

Economic multiplier, jobs supported, etc.

• Jobs attractiveness

Number of applications received, etc.

Innovation and technology transfer

Spin-offs, spill-overs, etc.

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Exaple of economic impact - Future EO (Earth observation envelope programme)



- Every € spent in ESA Future EO programme → creation of 3.8 €
 in ESA Member States economy over 2013 2030 :
 - 1.9 € in GDP increase
 - 1.9 € in innovation spill-overs (2.9 for SMEs)
- More than 60% of the investment recovered in tax revenues
- For each new job in the space sector
- → about 1.3 additional jobs in the wider economy

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