

September Fundraising Activity

September 1 – Launch start-up **Payload Aerospace, S.A.** raised an additional €108m in a Series C extension round led by **Mitsubishi Electric Corporation**, with participation from **Compañía Española de Financiación del Desarrollo** and others.

September 6 – Indian hyperspectral satellite start-up **Pixxel Space Technologies, Inc.** raised \$100m in a Series C funding round led by **Temasek Holdings Pte. Ltd.** and **Seraphim Space Manager LLP**, with participation from **Radical Ventures Investments Inc.**, **M&G Catalyst Fund** (managed by **M&G plc**) and others.

September 8 – Launch start-up **Stoke Space Technologies, Inc.** raised \$1b in a Series E funding round led by **Point72, L.P.** and **Spark Capital Partners, LLC**, with participation from **U.S. Innovative Technology Fund** and others.

September 8 – Space vehicle manufacturing start-up **The Exploration Company GmbH** raised \$450m in a Series C funding round co-led by **Bessemer Venture Partners**, **Atomico (UK) Partners LLP** and the **European Innovation Council's Scaleup Europe Fund**, with participation from existing investors.

September 14 – Satellite manufacturing and operating start-up **Open Cosmos Ltd.** raised €300m in a Series C funding round co-led by **Lightrock LLP** and **ETF Partners**, with participation from **Institut Català de Finances**, **Convex Group** and others.

September 16 – In-space mobility company **Impulse Space, Inc.** raised \$308m in Series D funding, with participation from existing investors **137 Ventures Management, LLC**, **BANNER VC** and others, adding to the \$500m in investment announced in June.

September 16 – Satellite manufacturing start-up **EnduroSat AD** raised \$205m in an unspecified funding round co-led by **Riot Ventures Management, LLC** and **Atreides Management, LP**, with participation from the **European Innovation Council**, **GV Management Company, LLC**, **Founders Fund** and others.

September 28 – Chinese launch start-up **Deep Blue Aerospace Co., Ltd.** raised \$297m in Series B funding, with participation from **Wuxi High-tech Zone Venture Capital Holding Group** and others.

September Launch Orders

September 9 – **Amazon.com, Inc.** selected **Arianespace S.A.** to perform six more flights using the **Ariane 6** launch vehicle.

September 10 – Japan's **Institute for Q-shu Pioneers of Space** selected **Maiaspace SAS** to perform an unspecified number of launches using the **Maia** launch vehicle.

September 22 – **Exolaunch GmbH** procured a dedicated mission from **Space Exploration Technologies Corp.** to be performed using the **Starship** launch vehicle and **Starfall** reentry vehicle.

September 30 – **Synspective Inc.** signed a multi-launch agreement with **Rocket Lab Corporation** for an additional twenty launches using the **Electron** launch vehicle.

September Launch Missions Performed

September 1 – **Beijing Galactic Energy Aerospace Technology Co., Ltd.** successfully conducted the maiden flight of its **Pallas-1** launch vehicle, reaching low-Earth orbit. No payload was reported.

September 2, 6, 19, 28 – **Space Exploration Technologies Corp.** (SpaceX) successfully launched batches of 27, 27, 27 and 26 **Starlink** satellites, respectively, including an unspecified number of direct-to-device satellites. The first three batches were launched using a **Falcon 9** launch, followed by recovery of the vehicle's first stage; the fourth batch was launched on the **Starship** launch vehicle's September 28 test flight.

September 2, 11, 26 – **Rocket Lab Corporation** successfully launched three **StriX** synthetic aperture radar satellites to low-Earth orbit for **Synspective Inc.** using **Electron** launch vehicles.

September 5 – **Isar Aerospace SE** successfully delivered 5 payloads to low-Earth orbit using its **Spectrum** launch vehicle, marking the first successful orbital flight for the vehicle.

September 13 – SpaceX successfully conducted the final **SES O3b mPower** mission, delivering three **O3b mPower** satellites to medium-Earth orbit for **SES S.A.** using a **Falcon 9** launch vehicle and then recovering the launch vehicle's first stage.

September 15, 15 – **LandSpace Technology Co., Ltd.** successfully delivered a batch of 10 **Qianfan** satellites to low-Earth orbit using its **Zhuque-2E** launch vehicle, and **Orienspace Technology Co., Ltd.** successfully delivered a batch of 8 **Qianfan** satellites to low-Earth orbit using its **Gravity-1** launch vehicle.

September 20 – **CAS Space Technology Co. Ltd.** delivered nine payloads to low-Earth orbit using a **Kinetica-1** launch vehicle.

September 28 – SpaceX conducted the 14th test flight of its **Starship** launch vehicle, successfully reaching low-Earth orbit, deploying a batch of 26 **Starlink V3** satellites, and performing a controlled upper stage reentry and splashdown.

September Satellite Orders

September 10 – **The Tomorrow Companies Inc.** selected **York Space Systems Inc.** to deliver the first phase of its **Deep Sky** weather monitoring constellation.

September 12 – **STC Group** selected **Astranis Space Technologies Corp.** to build a geostationary broadband satellite.

September 14 – **Thales Alenia Space** was selected by **NIGCOMSAT Ltd.** to manufacture the **NigComSat-2A** satellite.

September 17 – **Vantor Inc.** announced its selection of **EnduroSat AD** and **CACI International Inc.** to supply the satellite buses and instruments, respectively, for 40 **Pulse** Earth observation satellites.

September 27 – **Eutelsat Group** selected **Airbus Defence and Space** to build 229 **OneWeb** refresh satellites and **Aerospacelab S.A.** to supply 264 satellite buses for the **Iris²** constellation.

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