



**D - O R B I T**  
NEW SPACE SOLUTIONS

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ESA SPACE SAFETY ISAM DAYS

16-17 September 2025





**RISE**  
ESTEC - 16<sup>th</sup> Sept 2025



# THE RISE MISSION

RISE Mission in the ESA ADRIOS Programme

The main purpose of the RISE programme is the validation of life extension of a satellite through Attitude and Orbital control System Takeover (AOCS Takeover) in geosynchronous graveyard orbit on a non-ESA object, with the final objective to provide Europe with an **in-space validated, sovereign, commercial, in-orbit servicing infrastructure** in the Geostationary Orbit region.

The validation will be carried out in 2029 on an **unprepared and operationally cooperative** target satellite, belonging to a commercial anchor customer, which has been announced in March 2025 to be Eutelsat.

The following services will be demonstrated and then available on the market:

- Inspection Service;
- Life Extension Service through AOCS Takeover;
- Relocation Service to either:
  - another GEO Slot;
  - by Inclination Change;
  - to Geostationary Graveyard Orbit (GGO)



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PIONEERING SPACE LOGISTICS

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# PIONEER IN SPACE LOGISTICS



600

people and  
growing



21

missions



19

ION  
launched



200

payloads  
in space



Commercial customers  
in 4 continents

Presence in Italy, UK,  
Portugal and USA

Acquired Planetek in  
March 2025



# PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF TODAY WHILE DESIGNING THE TECHNOLOGY OF TOMORROW



**Space Transportation Services:** solutions to address the needs of the small satellite market in terms of launch and deployment, operations on payloads, including testing of new technologies in orbit.



**Space Cloud Services:** an innovative space cloud-based technology that will enable close to real-time data computing and data storage directly in orbit.



**Satellite as a Service:** a model that allows customers to leverage the capabilities of satellite technology without having to invest in and operate their own satellite infrastructure.



**In-Orbit Servicing:** services powered by proprietary robotic servicing vehicles designed to achieve multiple mission objectives throughout their lifespan (e.g., inspection, assembly, refurbishment, refueling, and debris removal).



**Downstream Services:** Geospatial and Analytics provider for Government and Commercial users, cognitive Cloud Computing Service.



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SPACE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

# SPACE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

## ION SATELLITE CARRIER

ION Satellite Carrier is our proprietary orbital transfer vehicle designed to **transport satellites to space and release them into precise, independent orbital slots**, enabling to start their space mission quickly and in optimal operational conditions.

ION is equipped to launch a combination of CubeSats of any form factor, up to 64 CubeSat units in total, or **microsatellites up to 200 kg of mass**.

Extra services include mission analysis and design, platform engineering, software development, acceptance testing, and transportation.





# OUR HERITAGE

19 ORBITAL TRANSPORTATION MISSIONS TO DATE AND A GROWING DEGREE OF COMPLEXITY

**2020-1**

3 IONS LAUNCHED

**First successful commercial orbital transportation mission in the space industry**

**Successful testing in orbit of innovative plug-and-play system for hosted payloads**

- 38 Satellites deployed
- 17 Hosted payloads

**2022-3**

10 IONS LAUNCHED

**ION performs the first RAAN shift maneuver in orbit ever performed by an OTV\***

**First launch featuring two IONs**

- 60 Satellites deployed
- 25 Hosted payloads

**2024-5**

6 IONS LAUNCHED  
(2 more launches scheduled for 2025)

**80% of passengers onboard are recurring clients**

**Next ION Launch: Oct 2025**

- 14 Satellites deployed
- 28 Hosted payloads





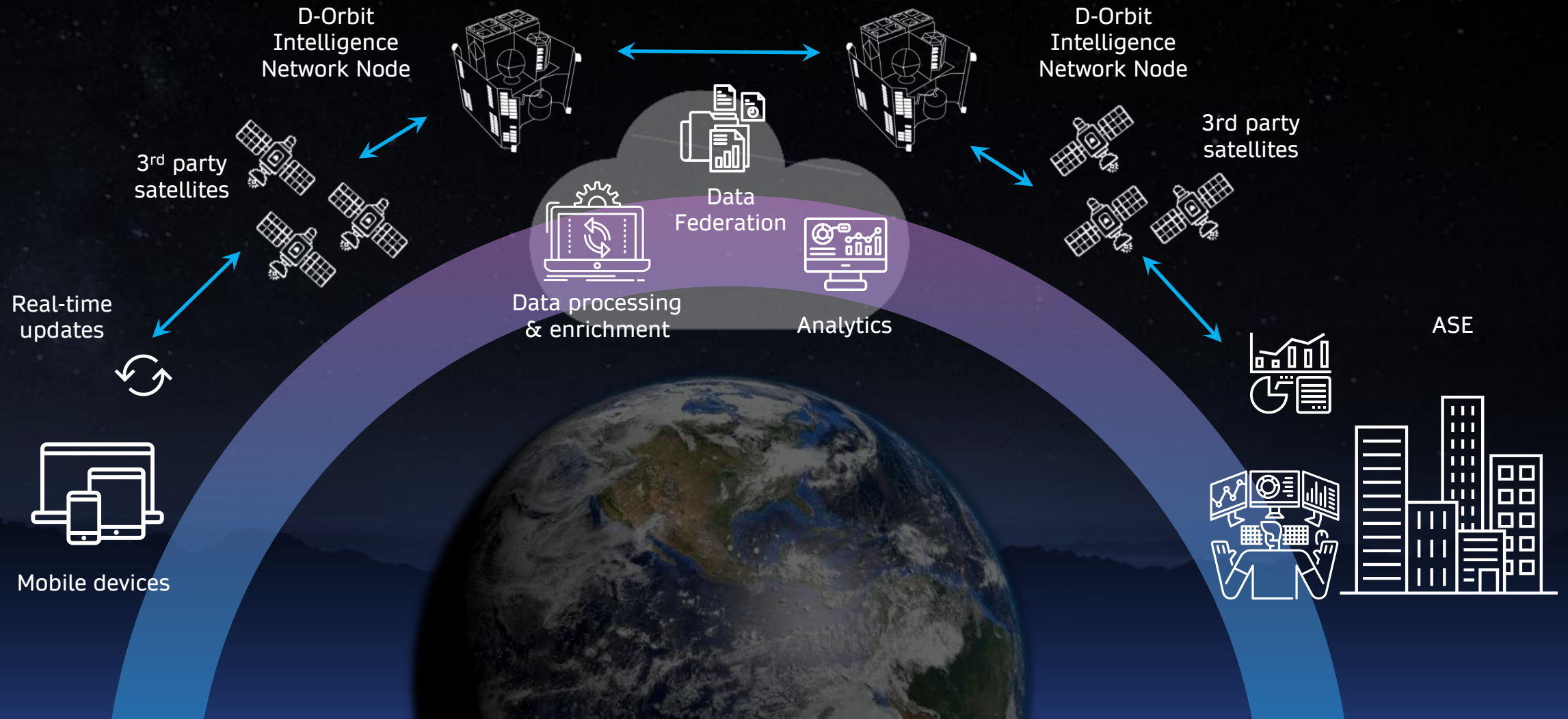
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SPACE CLOUD SERVICES



# SPACE CLOUD SERVICES

USING ION AS CLOUD INFRASTRUCTURE NODES





# D-ORBIT

SPACE AS A SERVICES



# SATELLITE AS A SERVICE

YOUR SHORTCUT TO SPACE



D-Orbit helps the customer to get the data that they really want defining the best upstream solution.



The customer can rely on a proven and regularly launched infrastructure, in shared or dedicated missions, fully operated by D-Orbit.



Leveraging on their variety platforms developed, launched, and operated, D-Orbit is offering a new service to give a short-cut access to space.



Our platforms, from 200 kg to 2 tons mass, are designed to operate in LEO or GEO and can host different payloads with a wide range of requirements

# NOX

## THE SPACECRAFT

Spacecraft mass	<580kg
Spacecraft Stowed Volume	2,0 x 1,7 x 1,5 m
Reference Operative Orbit	Low LEO
Lifetime	5 years







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IN-ORBIT SERVICES

# IN ORBIT SERVICING

THE NEXT GENERATION OF D-ORBIT SPACECRAFT



D-Orbit is working on a next-generation spacecraft, called GEA, with **in-orbit servicing capabilities**, such as rendezvousing, docking with, and taking over the attitude and orbit control functions of another spacecraft for repair, life extension, or disposal.



# GEA

## MAIN SERVICES



**REPOSITIONING:** Moving existing satellites from one orbit to another orbit to extend useful life / allow for re-purposing.



**INSPECTION:** Life of modular satellites can be extended via refuelling or component replacement (e.g. battery).



**LIFE EXTENSION:** Close approach to existing satellites to inspect their status.



**EMERGENCY:** Rescuing satellites launched or drifting into the wrong orbit.

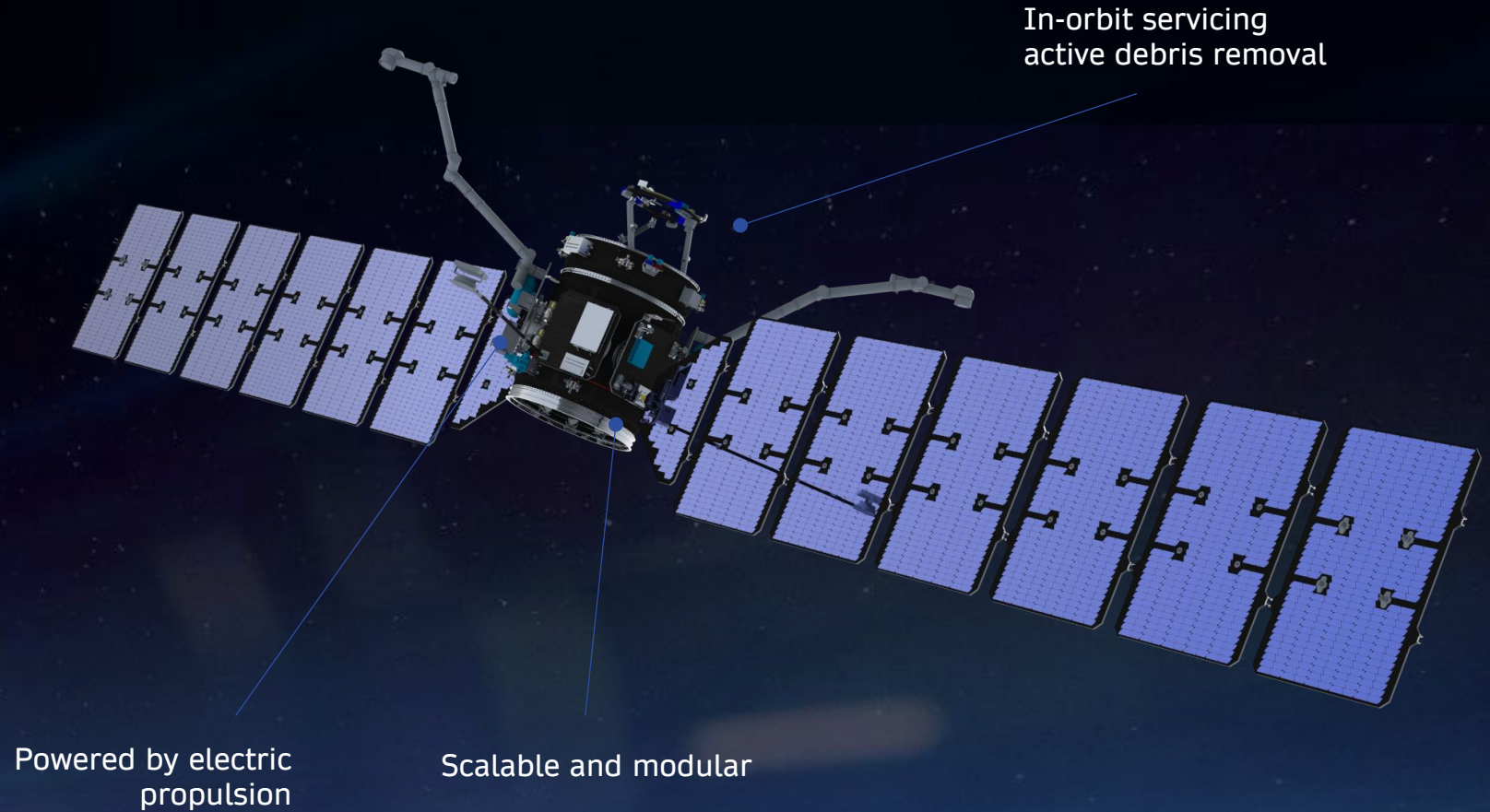


**DECOMMISSIONING:** Disposing of satellites properly at the end of their life- “active debris removal”.

# GEA: GENERAL EXPANSION ARCHITECTURE

EXPANDING D-ORBIT'S REACH

- Designed for fast configurability and assembly
- Intrinsically serviceable
- Multi-mission, multi-environment through physical re-configuration





# GEA

## MAIN CHARACTERISTICS



<1 year time to service from launch  
>7 years of service lifetime  
<6 months from standby to service



<0.05 degrees attitude accuracy  
<0.1 degrees attitude stability  
No interruptions



>3 deg inclination change / year  
>7 years life extension  
>180 deg rephasing / year



Compatible with the most common  
GEO spacecraft platforms through  
their launch adaptor ring (not relying  
on ascent engine)

# LATEST ACHIEVEMENTS

## RISE



In October 2024, we signed a **€119.6 million contract with ESA** under the Space Safety programme. Under this contract D-Orbit is developing, launching and demonstrating the capabilities of a **vehicle designed to rendezvous with, dock with, and take over the attitude and orbit control functions of another spacecraft** for purposes including life extension, relocation, repair, disposal, and more.

A key aspect of this contract is the development of **GEA**, an **innovative satellite platform designed to demonstrate in-orbit servicing capabilities in geostationary orbit (GEO)**.





# LATEST ACHIEVEMENTS

RISE



PATP signed in Q4 2023



PRR passed in Q1 2024



Full contract signed in Q3 2024, announced at the IAC'24 in Milan



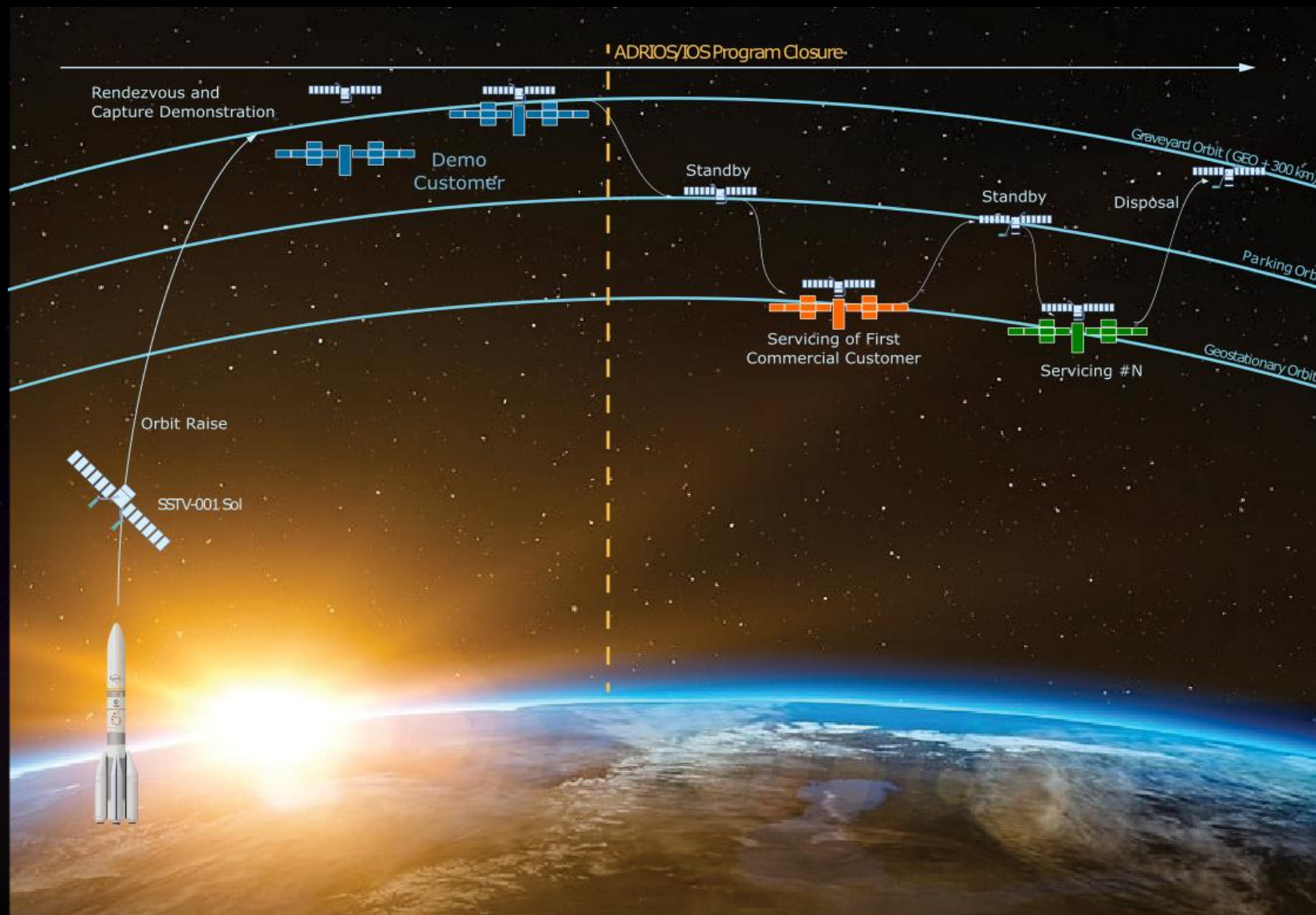
Anchor Customer (Eutelsat) announced in March '25



SRR passed in July 2025 (< 6 weeks duration)

# RISE Mission Architecture

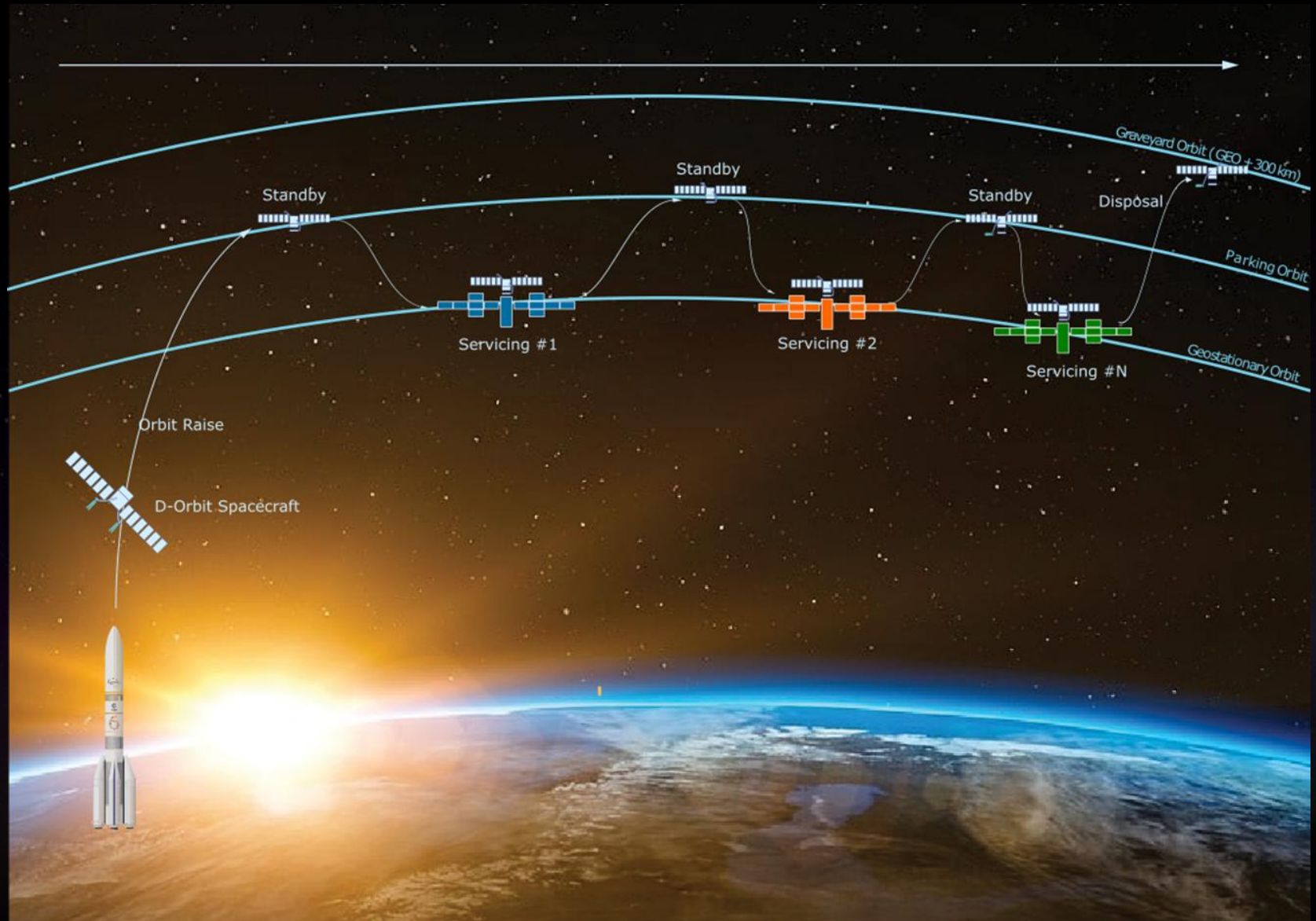
- **LV injection:** GEA is launched in GTO
- **Orbit Raise:** from GTO to GEO Graveyard (GGO)
- **Rendezvous and Capture Demonstration:** in GGO on the Demo Customer
- **Standby in parking Orbit:** reaching parking orbit from GGO and wait there to start servicing
- **Servicing of First Commercial Customer:** the Demo Customer may be the First Commercial Customer
- **Disposal:** after the last service is delivered GEA is decommissioned in GGO





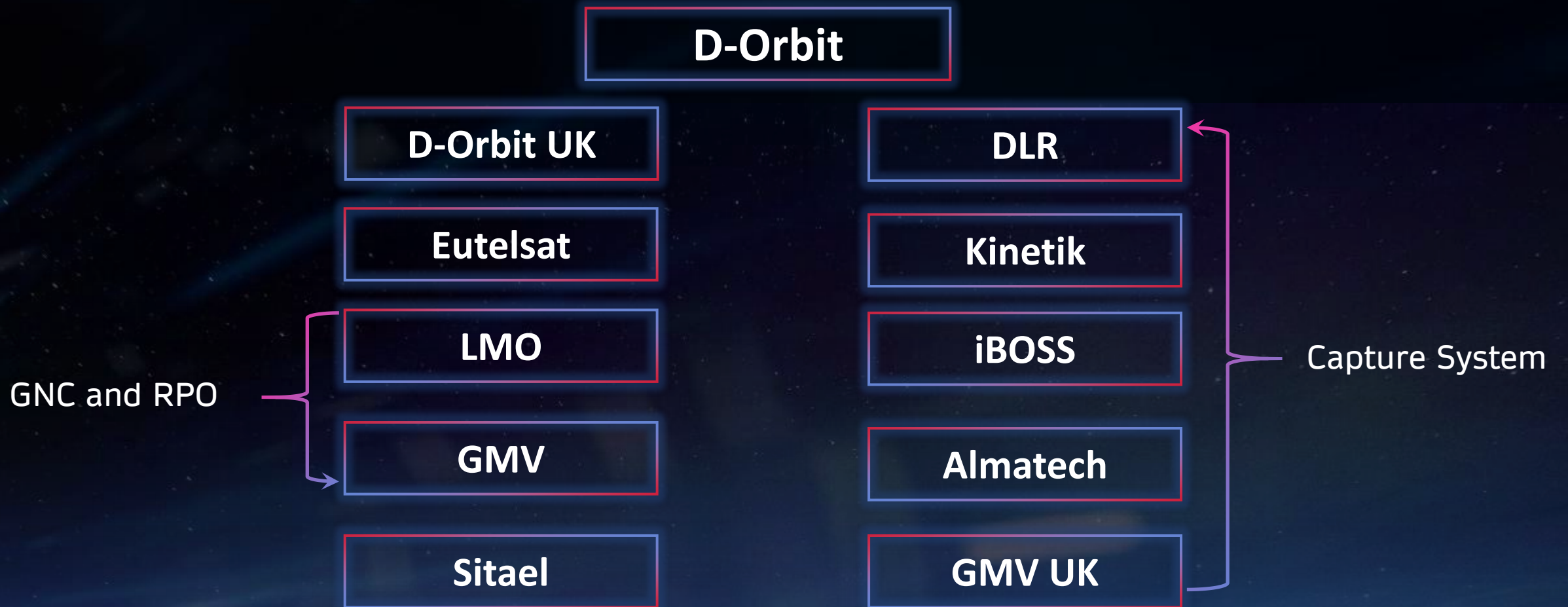
# Generic GEA Mission Architecture

- **LV injection:** GEA is launched in GTO
- **Orbit Raise:** from GTO to GEO or GEO Parking
- **In-Orbit Servicing in GEO:** delivering AOCS takeover, Inspection, Relocation including inclination management and disposal for up to 7 years and up to 5 different targets.
- **Disposal:** after the last service is delivered, GEA is decommissioned in GGO, possibly with the last customer



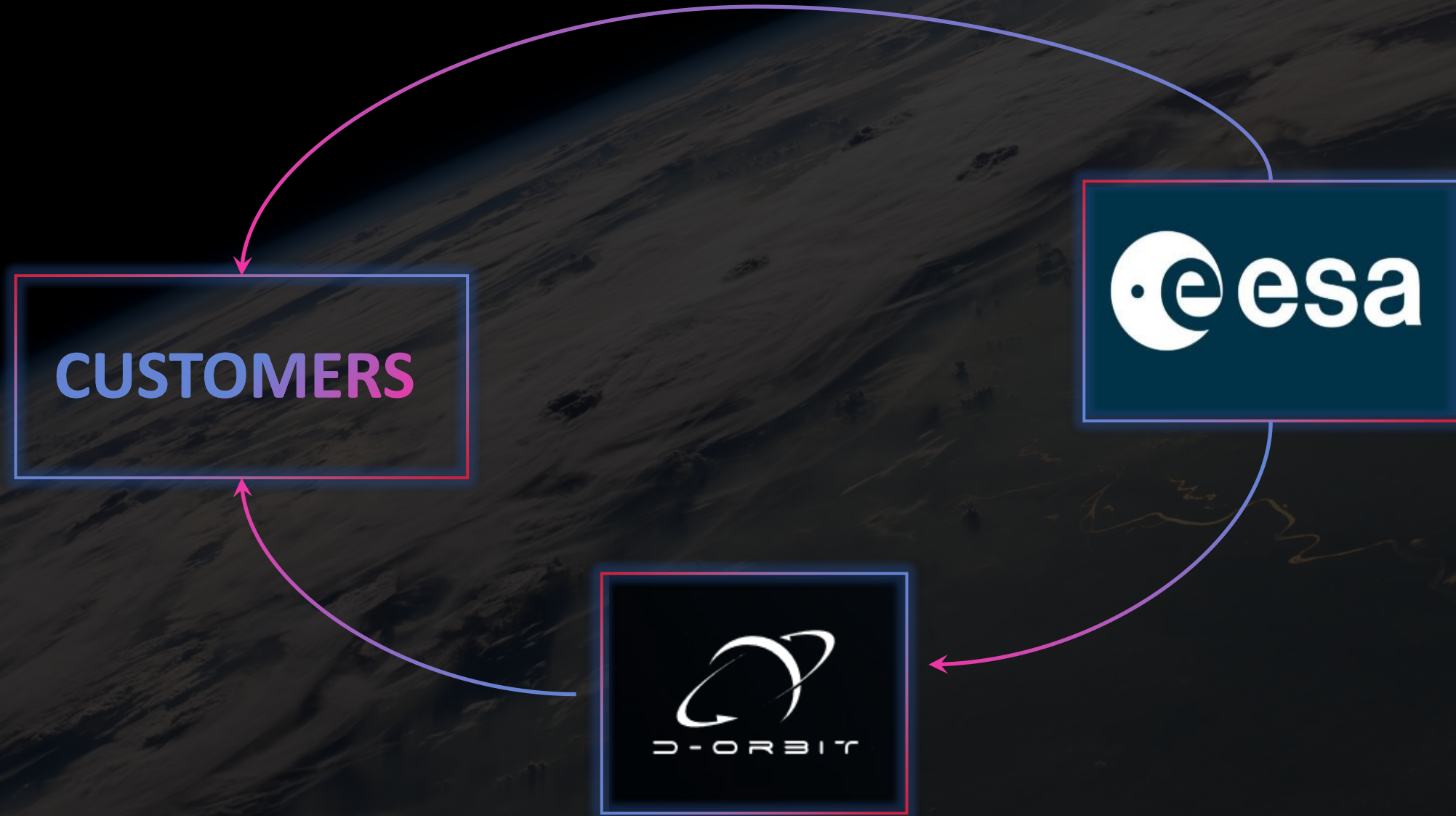
# RISE INDUSTRIAL TEAM

UP TO SRR





# RISE INDUSTRIAL TEAM







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