



Dear Midlands Space Cluster colleagues,

Please see below for the latest from Midlands Space Cluster :

UK Space Conference 2025: 16th to the 17th of July 2025, Manchester

The UK Space Conference is rapidly approach. Starting next Wednesday in Manchester, the conference is the largest dedicated UK Space Conference in the UK. You can book your tickets here: [UK Space Conference - Home](#). The programme is here: [Programme: UK Space Conference 2025](#) and the exhibitor list is here: [Exhibitors: UK Space Conference 2025](#).

Skills Talent Acquisition – Academia / Industry Workshop, 4th September, University of Birmingham

The SatComs Innovation Group are hosting a skills workshop with a focus on any graduate skills gaps and other challenges they face as they enter the SatComs sector. Academic members will also have the opportunity to highlight what opportunities are available for academic/industrial collaboration. Please sign up and help spread the word - <https://satig.space/eventlist/academia-and-industry-workshop/>

Unlock the Power of Space to Transform Transport!

There are currently two European Space Agency - ESA funding calls, that present unique opportunities for the region. Further information [here](#):

Open Call 1: Space For Intermodal Transport: Apply by: 12 Sept 2025

Use space tech to improve intermodal freight and passenger transport.

- Optimise logistics with satellite navigation
- Track vehicles and goods in real time
- Reduce emissions using Earth observation

Who should apply? SMEs, mobility innovators, space-data providers, and research teams.

Apply now: <https://lnkd.in/eP6xqpr6>

Open Call 2: Space4Rail: Apply by: 31 Dec 2025

Bring space-based solutions to rail infrastructure and operations.

- Manage rail traffic and capacity
- Predict and prevent delays
- Monitor assets and infrastructure

Who should apply? Rail tech firms, AI and EO experts, and transport researchers.
Apply now: <https://lnkd.in/eXD27-hr>

Space Skills Advisory Panel (SSAP)

The Space Skills Advisory Panel (SSAP), facilitated by the Space Partnership, brings together industry, academia and government to address skills challenges in the UK space sector. To better understand and showcase the excellent work done to support skills development at all levels across the UK - we are developing a 1-page infographic for industry and working on a similar version for academia. Please point Topaz.Brownhall@spacepartnership.org.uk to the person in your organisation that can tell us about your recent skills activities – we'll work with you to complete both the infographics. This is a great opportunity to highlight across the sector, including policymakers, the work you are doing to advance the space skills agenda."

ConstellHR

ConstellHR, the new peer-to-peer network for HR professionals in the space sector, held its second meeting in June. These informal sessions offer a space to share successes and challenges with others who understand the unique demands of the sector. The next meeting is planned for early August. If you are a HR professional in the space sector, please get in touch at info@spacepartnership.org.uk

Kind regards

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