

Press Release

UNSEENLABS accelerates its commercial development and signs a support agreement with KSAT

Rennes, November 9, 2020 – The French company Unseenlabs, a specialist in the geolocation of ships at sea and the European leader in space-based RF satellite detection, announces the signature of a support agreement with the Norwegian company KSAT, the world leader in satellite communication ground services, for the operation of its network of ground stations around the world.

Unseenlabs launched its first nanosatellite into orbit in August 2019 and has been technically and commercially operational since then. Thanks to its proprietary on-board technology based on the identification of electromagnetic waves emitted by ships, Unseenlabs can geolocate from space any ship at sea, in near-real time, to the nearest kilometer.

Thanks to the integration with KSAT, Unseenlabs will now have potential access to all 25 KSAT Ground Station sites, and its entire fleet of 200 satellite dishes, around the world. Subscribing to the KSAT^{Lite} service will enable Unseenlabs to benefit from high-speed data transmission and thus reduce the delivery time of geolocation data to its customers by a factor of 3.

Jonathan Galic, co-founder and CTO of Unseenlabs commented: *“In addition to the many upcoming Unseenlabs nano-satellite launches that reinforce our constellation for the best revisit time worldwide, this integration with KSAT multiplies our data recovery capabilities on the ground and will also allow us to get the best information age available on the market.”*

«It’s great to see that our network of ground stations enable our customers to minimize the latency from data is captured at the spacecraft until it is usable for applications on earth” said Kristian Jenssen, Director KSAT Lite *“We are looking forward to start supporting and to grow our relations with Unseenlabs”.*

About Unseenlabs

Created in 2015, Unseenlabs is an innovative company of French origin, leader in Europe in RF satellite geolocation of ships at sea. Its proprietary on-board satellite technology allows to geolocate any ship at sea, in near-real time, to the nearest kilometer, from a single nanosatellite. Unseenlabs provides a wide range of maritime players with accurate and up-to-date data on ship positions, enabling better monitoring of activities at sea. Whether it is to meet the data needs of maritime companies, or to help institutions and organizations fight against illegal and anti-environmental behavior, such as illegal fishing or illegal dumping, Unseenlabs is intended to be a tool at the service of the oceans. In 2018, Unseenlabs welcomed BPI, the Brittany region and Hemeria in its capital for an amount of 7.5M€. [Unseenlabs.space](https://unseenlabs.space)

About KSAT

KSAT, Kongsberg Satellite Services, is the market leader in providing communication services between spacecraft and launch vehicles and Earth. Supporting a total of 50,000 satellite passes a month, its extensive global network of over 200 antennas at over 25 global locations, (including Pole to Pole coverage from Antarctica to the Arctic), ensures 24/7, responsive access to satellite telemetry, data, and communications. Furthermore, KSAT provides a variety of products derived from both Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) and high-resolution optical satellite data. The key focus is maritime situational awareness, which includes Near Real-Time (NRT) vessel detection and oil spill monitoring, ice monitoring and land-based services. KSAT.no

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