

International Low Earth Orbit Cube and Small Satellite Conference and Seminar – Ankara – December, 14th 2023



Airbus small sats constellation product
and solution
Heritage Oneweb

DEFENCE AND SPACE

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AIRBUS

Fast Facts



50/50
Joint Venture
Airbus and
OneWeb



19
Successful
Launches



630
Satellites
in Orbit



3 Years
Since FL
Inauguration



142,000 sq ft
Factory in FL



300
Dedicated
Employees



8
Spoken
Languages



10
Time
Zones



40
Tier 1
Suppliers



2
Satellites
Per Day

Fun Facts



10,000
Slices of
Pizza



90,000
Cups of
Coffee



145,000
Hairnets
Worn



189,000
Shoe
Coverings



1,426
Screws in
Each Satellite



199,185
Supplier
Parts

Less Fun Ones



1
Global
Pandemic



1
Major
Geopolitical
Crisis

Toulouse: Engineering



- Toulouse facility established as a precursor project in Feb 2016
- Development of the production processes, of the assembly line were developed in Toulouse
- Assembly, integration and tests of the first 10 satellites of the GEN1 satellites was done on the site in Toulouse
- The activities of the Toulouse site continue with engineering activities for GEN1 and other programs, supply chain and in-orbit operations

Two Sites



Florida : Production



FAL opened in 2019

In Florida, FAL is located on the Merritt Island, next to the Kennedy Space Center.

FAL installed in cooperation with Space Florida, in charge of the Space Industry development in Florida.

OneWeb Gen1 Satellite Production

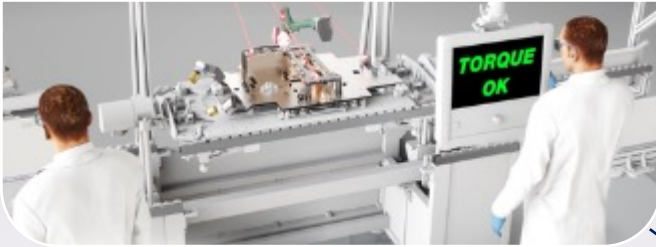
- Factory is configured to output a fully assembled and tested satellite every eight-hour shift
 - Design life greater than 5 years
 - Production time: significantly less than other in-class satellites
 - Cost : a portion of other satellites
 - Integrated engineering, manufacturing and supply chain for production-tuned design
 - Supply chain partner processes and infrastructure focused on high-rate satellite assembly



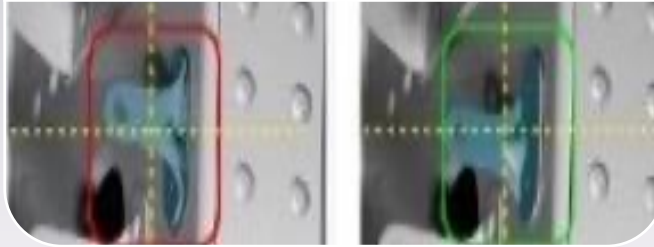
Smart Automation to Ensure Industrial Efficiency

**Automation Processes:
Leading-Edge
Technologies**

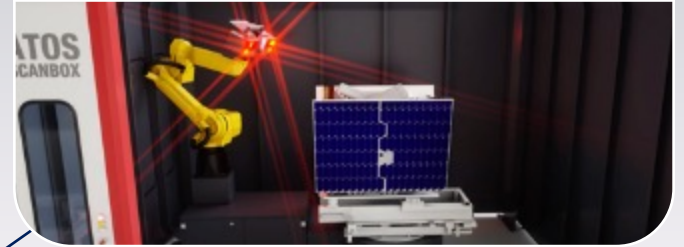
Smart Tools



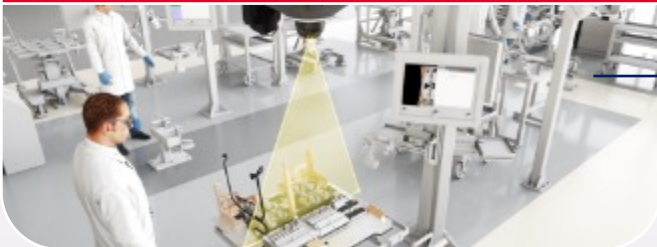
Automatic Optical Inspection



Big Data: Analysis & Predictive Analytics



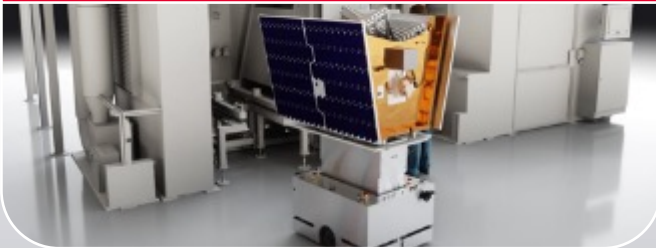
Augmented Reality for Inspection



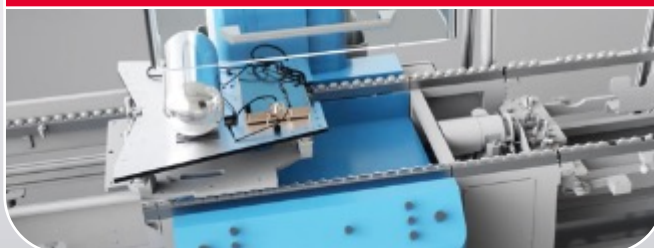
Automatic Coupling



Auto Guided Vehicle



Automated Test Sequences



Cobots: Assisting Critical Activities

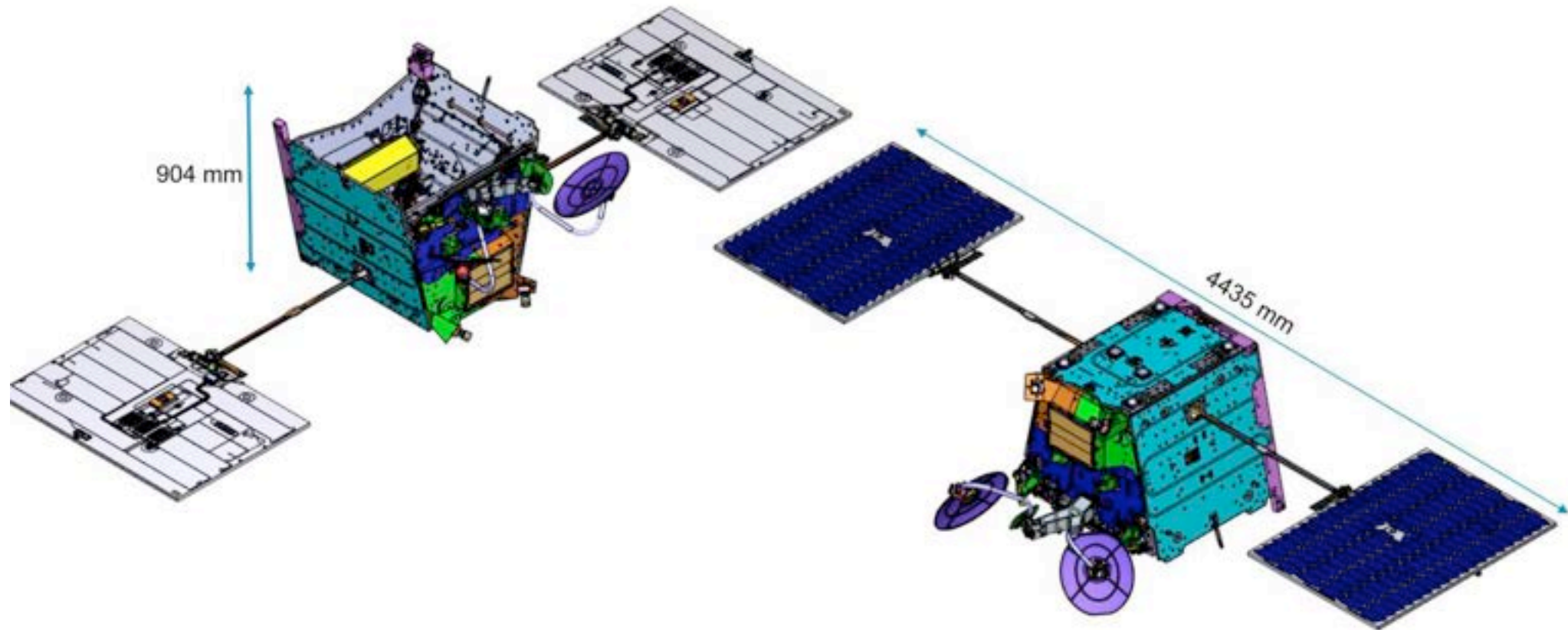


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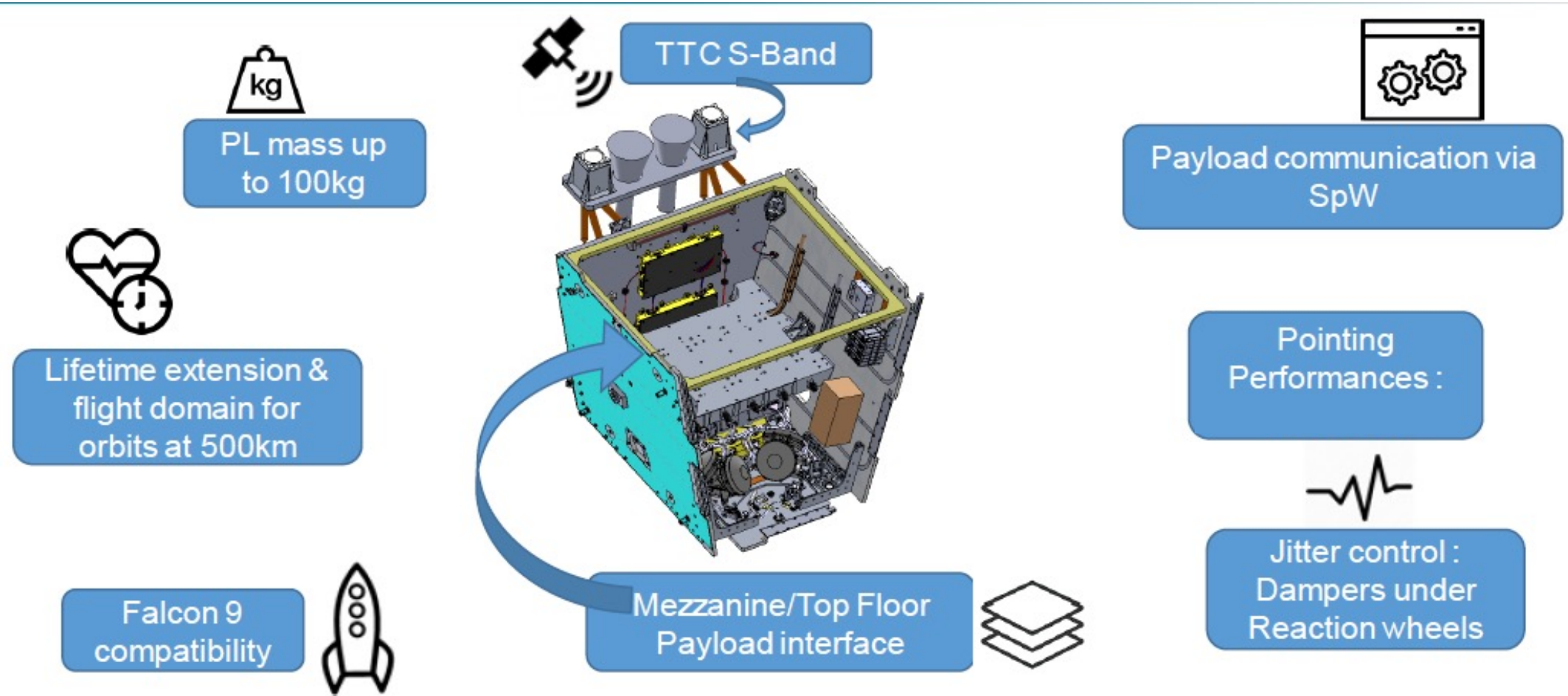
From GEN1 to Arrow: an innovative approach for standardizing access to space

- The ARROW Bus is an off-the-shelf/low-cost platform adaptable to multiple payloads, providing adequate interfaces, in a single unit or constellation mode



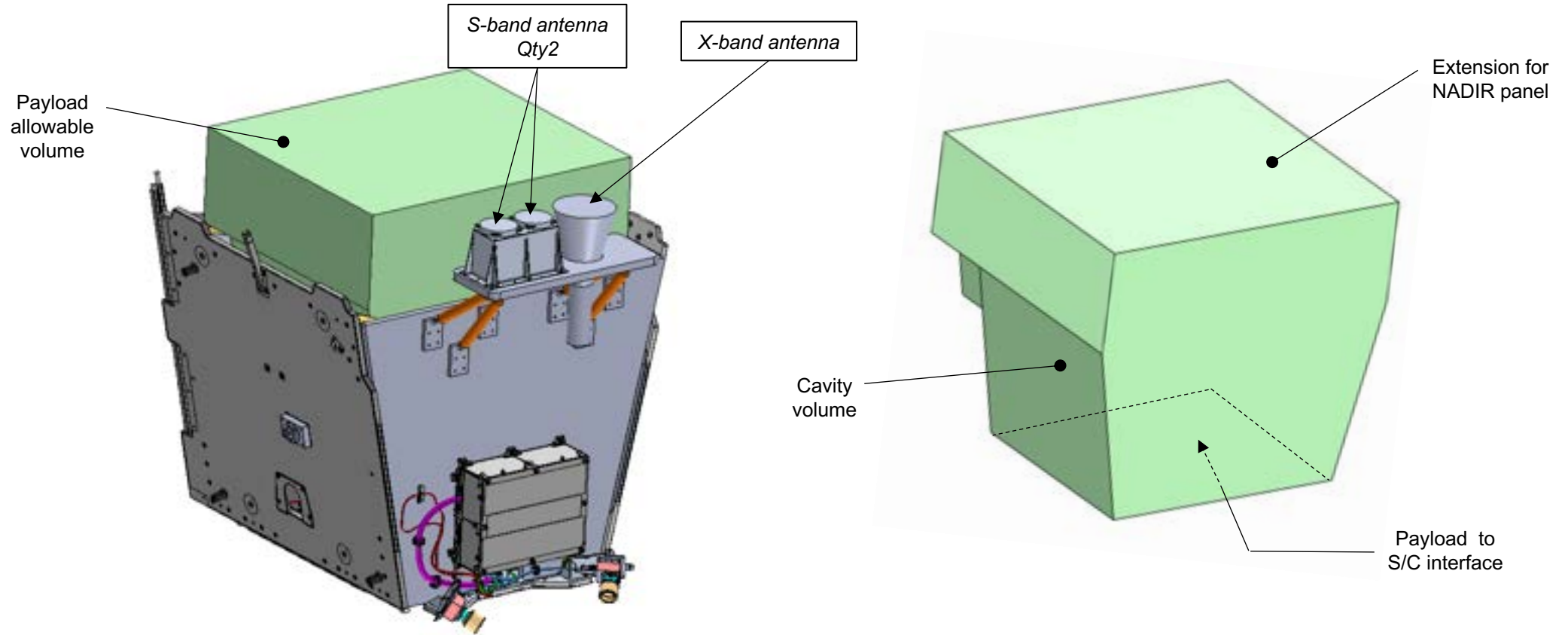
- Bus is capable of operating on different Low-Earth Orbit altitudes and inclination

Enhanced version: first launch: end 2024



Mezzanine/Top floor payload interface

- Payload allowable volume has been defined in order to optimize the satellite cavity.
- S- & X-band antennas are mounted on a secondary panel on PX side.



*Iso Views of Payload volume
Within / out of satellite*

Market achievements

- Concept was sold and adopted by key market players in the Newspace world
- Principle: to provide Customers with a simple approach to space:
 - Either relying on Airbus to provide the entire system
 - Or limiting the demand to platforms delivered with a standard interface, with minor adaptations
- Various missions can be envisaged and are studied, with different orbits
 - Earth Observation
 - Telecom
 - SSA
 - Science, ...
- A total of about 50 satellites have been so far ordered with different Customers around the world
- First launch planned Q4 24

Thank You and enjoy the Cubesat Vision Conference

