## SPACE ECONOMY NEWSLETTER



Recent activity in the space economy. Highlights below are courtesy of **UFO**, **THE PROCURE SPACE ETF**.

## NASA MARS HELICOPTER MAKES HISTORY AS FIRST VEHICLE TO FLY ON ANOTHER PLANET

BY JAY BENNETT



Good things come in small packages. Look no further than 19-inch helicopter, Ingenuity, which made history by successfully lifting off Mars's surface for 40 seconds. The flight was no easy feat as the Ingenuity had to contend with the Red Planet's atmosphere, which is 1% the thickness of Earth's and extremely cold and windy. The mission marks the first time an aircraft has flown on another planet and opens the door for future space exploration opportunities.

Source: <u>www.nationalgeographic.com</u>

## EMPLOYMENT AND INVESTMENT IN PRIVATE U.S. SPACE INDUSTRY ON THE RISE

BY RACHAEL JOY



Private space employment in the U.S. increased 3.2% in 2020 to hit a nine-year high, according to report by the Space Foundation. While mergers, buyouts and equity financings focused on the space sector raised \$15 billion in the first quarter of 2021, compared to \$18.2 billion for all of 2020.

Source: www.floridatoday.com

## SPACEX LAUNCHED 3RD CREW IN UNDER YEAR, FLY ON REUSED ROCKET

BY MARCIA DUNN



So nice they did it err...three times. SpaceX sent four astronauts into space aboard a recycled rocket and capsule. This marks the third time in under a year the company has successfully launched a crew into orbit for NASA.

Source: www.apnews.com



## IT'S DINNER TIME ON THE SPACE STATION. LOBSTER OR BEEF BOURGUIGNON

BY KENNETH CHANG

Astronaut food sure has come a long way. Several French culinary institutions created a food lover's dream menu for the astronauts who flew to the International Space Station for a six-month stay. These space travelers will feast on beef with porcini sauce, lobster,

cod, almond tarts, and more. Celebrity chefs Alan Ducasse and Thierry Marx had to develop dishes which could be freeze-dried and heated at extremely high temperatures.

Source: www.nytimes.com

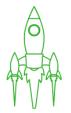


## DARPA AWARDS NUCLEAR SPACECRAFT CONTRACTS TO LOCKHEED MARTIN, BEZOS' BLUE ORIGIN AND GENERAL ATOMICS

BY MICHAEL SHEETZ

What do Lockheed Martin\*, Blue Origin and General Atomics have in common? They were all selected by the US Military's Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency to build nuclear-powered spacecrafts to operate above low Earth orbit by 2025. General Atomics was awarded a \$22.2 million contract, while Lockheed Martin won \$2.9 million and Blue Origin received \$2.5 million.

Source: www.cnbc.com



## LIVE COVERAGE: ARIANESPACE LAUNCHES VEGA ROCKET FROM FRENCH GUIANA

BY STEPHEN CLARK

Vega, a European rocket designed by Avio\*, delivered six satellites into orbit. The successful mission shows the spacecraft's ability to carry several satellites along with a main payload.

Source: www.youtube.com



#### PROCUREAM CEO DONATES TO SEND STUDENT TO SPACE CAMP

Reach for the stars. Andrew Chanin, CEO of **ProcureAM**, made a donation for a deserving student to attend the Space Academy in Huntsville, Alabama. Space Camp trainees will experience space travel missions and take part in team building activities. Chanin 's donation is being made in honor of the second anniversary of **UFO**, **the Procure Space ETF**. Anyone interested in applying for a scholarship or making a donation can go to the Space Academy website at **www.spacecamp.com**.

Source: www.https://www.spacecamp.com/space/academy

\*As of April 30, 2021, Avio (AVIO SPA) was a 3.80% holding and Lockheed Martin (LMT) was a 2.65% holding in the **Procure Space ETF (NASDAQ: UFO)**.

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