

# Agreements Signed

Agreement between the Government of the Russian Federation and ESA on Cooperation and Partnership in the Exploration and Use of Outer Space for Peaceful Purposes, signed in Paris on 11 February 2003 by Mr Antonio Rodotà, ESA's Director General, and Mr Igor S. Ivanov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation. It shall be applied provisionally from the date of its signature. It will enter into force upon mutual notification by the Parties of the completion of their internal procedures of approval. Its duration shall be ten years as of the date of its entry into force.  
**(ESA/LEG/273)**

European Cooperating State (ECS) Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Hungary and ESA, signed in Budapest (Hungary) on 7 April 2003 by Mr Jean-Pol Poncelet, ESA's Director of Strategy and External Relations, and Mr Kálmán Kovács, Minister of Informatics and Communications. It entered into force on the date of the signature of the PECS Charter, on 5 November 2003.  
**(ESA/LEG/273 bis)**

Foundation Act of the Galileo Joint Undertaking, signed on 6 June 2003 by Mr Antonio Rodotà, ESA's Director General, and on 10 June 2003 by the European Community, represented by Mrs Loyola de Palacio, Vice President of the European Commission. It entered into force on the date of the latter signature, for a period of four years.  
**(ESA/LEG/274)**

Agreement between ESA and the Galileo Joint Undertaking, signed on 28 July 2003 in Brussels by Mr Jean-Jacques Dordain, ESA's Director General, and by Mr Rainer Grohe, Director of the Galileo Joint Undertaking. It entered into force on the date of its signature and shall expire on completion of the Galileo space segment and associated ground segment development and validation programme covered by the GalileoSat Declaration (ESA/JCB/CXXXII/Dec.1, rev.8 (Final)).  
**(ESA/LEG/275)**

Agreement between ESA and the Kingdom of Spain for the establishment of ground tracking and data acquisition facilities, including a deep-space antenna, at the Cebreros (Avila) site. It was signed on 22 July 2003 in Madrid by Mr Jean-Jacques Dordain, ESA's Director General, Mr Fernando Díez Moreno, Secretary of State for Defence, and by Mr Pedro Morenés Eulate, Secretary of State for Science and Technology. It shall be implemented provisionally from the date of its signature and shall come into force on the date when the instruments of ratification or approval are exchanged between the Parties.  
**(ESA/LEG/276)**

Arrangement between the Government of Canada and ESA concerning participation by the Government of Canada in the InfoTerra/TerraSAR element of the European Earth Watch Programme. It was signed on 22 September 2003 in Paris by Mr Jean-Jacques Dordain, ESA's Director General, and Mr Raymond Chrétien, Canadian Ambassador to France. It entered into force on the date of its signature and shall remain in force until completion of the InfoTerra/TerraSAR element of the European Earth Watch Programme.  
**(ESA/LEG/277)**

Arrangement between the Government of Canada and ESA concerning participation by the Government of Canada in the Development and Validation activities of the GalileoSat Programme. It was signed on 6 October 2003 in Paris by Mr Jean-Jacques Dordain, ESA's Director General, and Mr Raymond Chrétien, Canadian Ambassador to France. It came into effect on the date of its signature and shall remain valid until completion of the Development and Validation activities under the GalileoSat Programme.  
**(ESA/LEG/278)**

Framework Agreement between the European Community and ESA, signed on 25 November 2003 in Brussels by Mr Jean-Jacques Dordain, ESA's Director General, Mrs Letizia Moratti, Minister for Education, the Universities and Research in Italy, and Mr Philippe Busquin, Member of the European Commission. It shall enter into force on the date of the last written communication by which the Parties notify each other that their respective internal procedures necessary for its entry into force have been completed. It shall remain in force for four years from that date and shall be extended for subsequent periods of four years.

**(ESA/LEG/279)**

The Plan for European Cooperating States (PECS) Charter, signed on 5 November 2003 in Paris by Mr Jean-Pol Poncelet, ESA's Director of Strategy and External Relations, and Mr Elod Both, Director of the Hungarian Space Office. It entered into force on the date of its signature.

**(ESA/LEG/280)**

European Cooperating State (ECS) Agreement between the Czech Republic and ESA, signed in Prague (Czech Republic) on 24 November 2003 by Mr Jean-Pol Poncelet, ESA's Director of Strategy and External Relations, and Mrs Petra Buzkova, Minister of Education, Youth and Sports. It shall enter into force upon subscription by the Government of the Czech Republic to the PECS Charter.

**(ESA/LEG/281)**