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# SPACE CYBERSECURITY WEEKLY WATCH

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Articles, company's communications, whitepapers, academic works, podcast, and sources not to be missed on the topic of space cybersecurity over a specified timeframe.



#### **RISC Score Assessment**

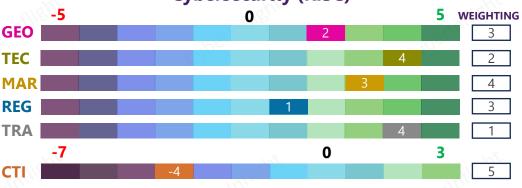
Timeframe: Weekly

# of articles identified: 45

Est. time to read: 90 minutes



Overview & Resilience Index for Space Cybersecurity (RISC)



# The RISC score for this watch has decreased to 1.28, down from last week. This score is 25 comparable to those recorded before the 2 summer, which saw an increase. This change is 15 mainly due to various reactions surrounding 1 the incident involving European Commission 0,5 President Ursula von der Leyen, which received 10 significant media coverage.

#### **RISC Score evolution in 2025**



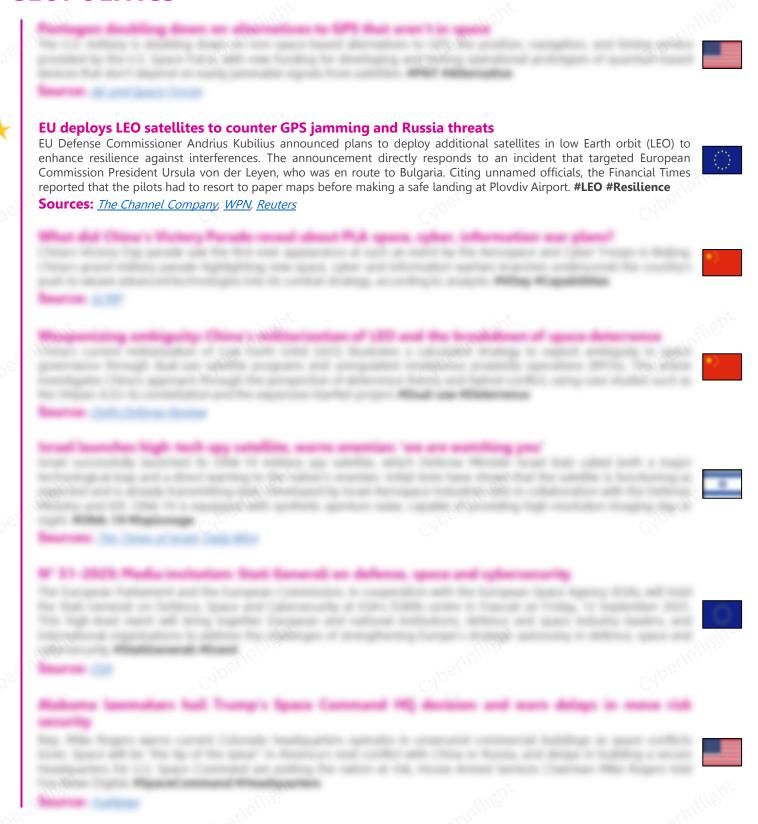
This week, the EU Defense Commissioner announced plans to deploy additional satellites in low Earth orbit (LEO) to enhance resilience against interference. The announcement directly addresses an incident that targeted European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen. The technological section proposes a focus on an on-orbit IDS, a cybersecurity tool built directly into a satellite to monitor data, commands, and behavior in real time. It also highlights that AI-Powered on-orbit intrusion detection is becoming a new line of defense. In market developments, Rheinmetall Nordic and Andøya Space have signed a Letter of Intent to create a new partnership that will expand Europe's ability to place satellites into orbit on demand, strengthening security and sovereignty. Regarding threat intelligence, a new updated Space Threat Fact Sheet by the US Space Force reminds that space is no longer a safe haven for critical assets. This fact sheet lists China and Russia and the intentional threats they pose, and primarily focuses on threats to satellites. Additionally, Madrid is set to host Europe's Space Cybersecurity Hackathon on October 17-18. This event will bring together the brightest minds in space exploration, cybersecurity, and telecom to tackle one of today's most urgent challenges: protecting Europe's satellites and communications networks from cyberattacks.





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# **GEOPOLITICS**



# **REGULATION**



#### The EU Space Act: How will new laws affect space businesses?

The new EU Space Act aims to create a new framework for space safety, sustainability and resilience, and promote investment in the sector. The result will be a whole new regime for space in Europe. Against this background, Fieldfisher's space law team highlights some of the most important implications for space businesses in the EU, and non-EU businesses trading with the EU in the coming years. **#EUSpaceAct #Opinion** 



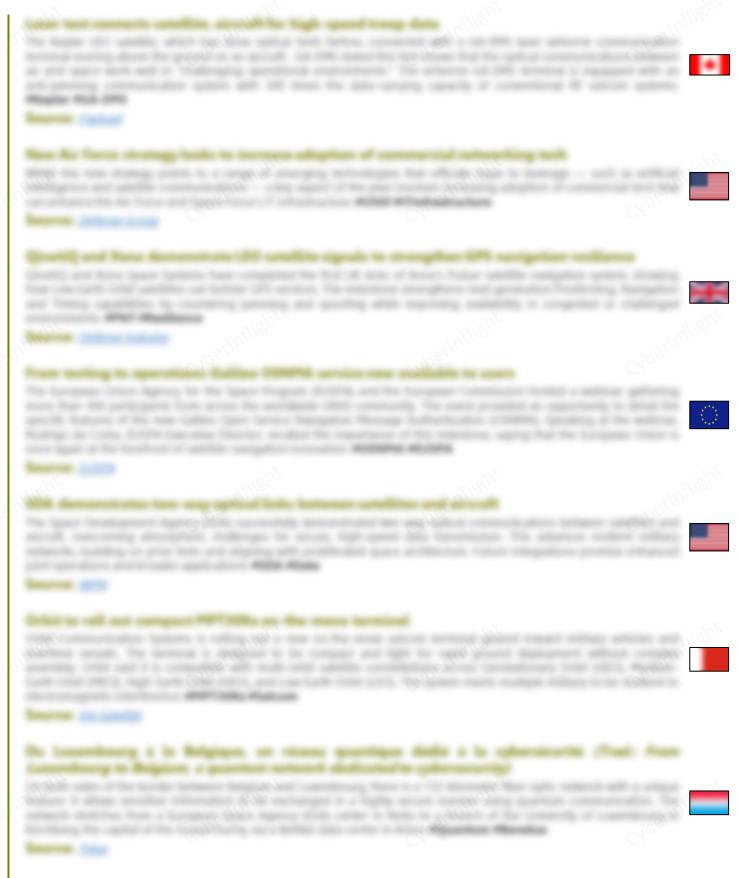


Source: Via Satellite



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#### **TECHNOLOGY**





#### Al-Powered on-orbit intrusion detection becomes a new line of defense

What if satellites could see, in real time, when something looked wrong and respond before the mission faltered? That's the promise of on-orbit intrusion detection systems (IDS), potentially enhanced by the advent of artificial intelligence. An on-orbit IDS is a cybersecurity tool built directly into a satellite to monitor data, commands and behavior in real time.



Source: Kratos Space





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### **TECHNOLOGY**



#### **MARKET & COMPETITION**





#### Rheinmetall joins Andøya in bold push for European space security

Rheinmetall Nordic and Andøya Space have signed a Letter of Intent to create a new partnership that will expand Europe's ability to place satellites into orbit on demand. The collaboration will focus on building Tactical Responsive Launch (TacRL) capacity from European soil, a service designed to send satellites aloft at short notice. The two organizations aim to plug what they call a critical gap in Europe's orbital access. **#TacRL #Partnership** 



Source: Orbital Today



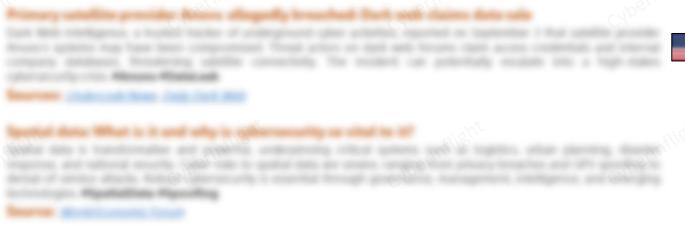


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## **MARKET & COMPETITION**



# THREAT INTELLIGENCE



#### New space threat fact sheet - US Space Force

This new updated Space Threat Fact Sheet reminds that space is no longer a safe haven for critical assets. It lists China and Russia and the intentional threats they pose. It mostly focuses on threats to satellites. While China's ambitious space program is a source of national pride and key to the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) plans for a powerful and prosperous nation, Russia has one of the world's largest space programs and remains a capable space actor. #RNT #Jamming



**Source:** Space Force, Resilient Navigation and Timing Foundation

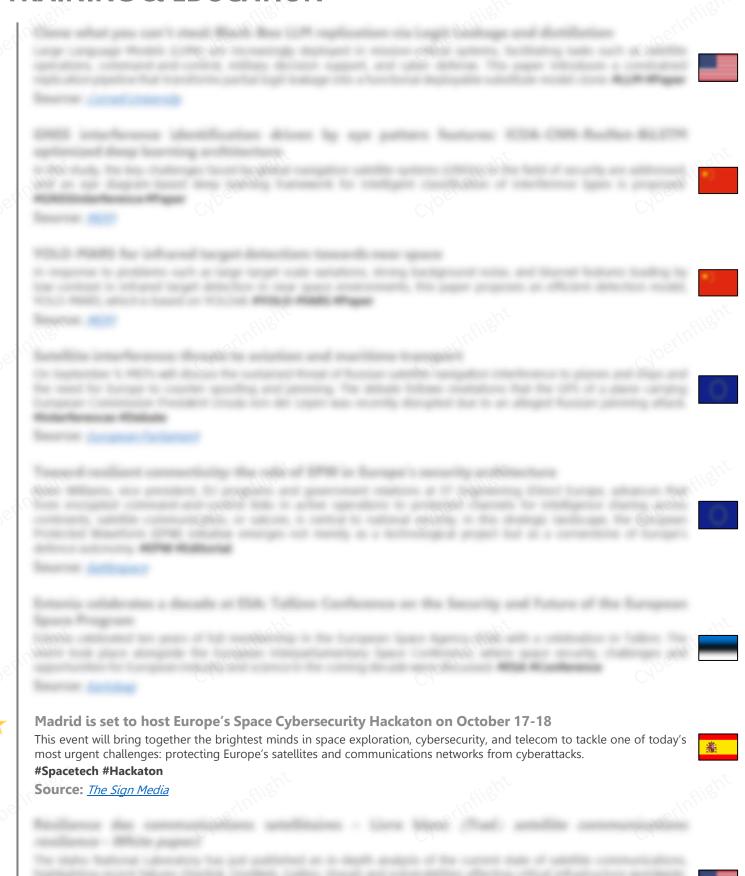






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