

### Meeting all Demands of Earth Observation from Satellites UNITED NATIONS Satellites UNITED NATIONS

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> Superview, 0.5m, 2020, Ghana, Africa

### **HEAD Aerospace Group**





#### Private space company founded in 2007

- Headquarter in Beijing
- Subsidiaries in Hong Kong, France and Netherlands
- Business development teams in Brazil, Dubai, Kazakhstan, Morocco, Singapore, South Africa, UK

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#### Earth Observation (EO) Business Unit:

+ 100 distributors worldwide market satellite images from 40+ commercial and government EO satellites

#### Internet of Things (IoT) Business Unit:

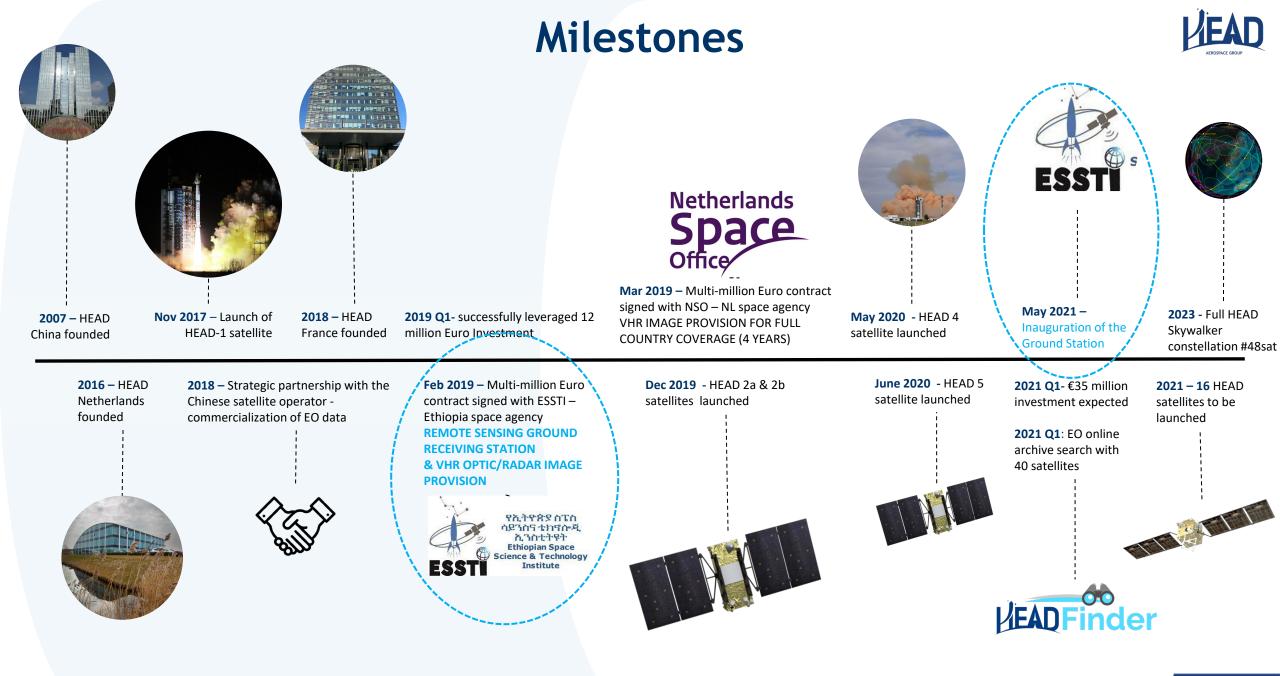
Operating our **own satellite Skywalker constellation** to provide IoT network and solutions through global local distributors; Combined satellite remote sensing & IoT solution



#### Space Component Engineering Business Unit:

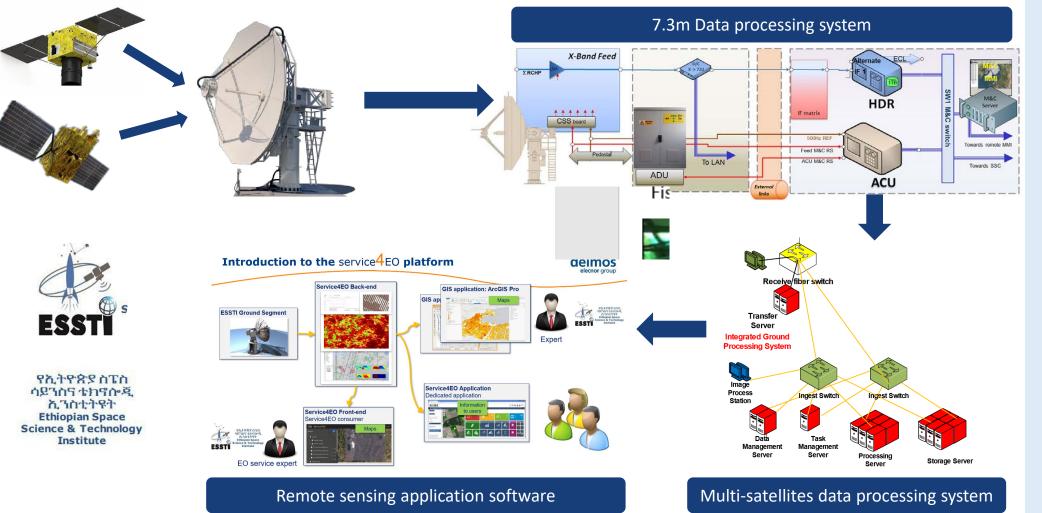
Traditional activities in providing **space component engineering** since 2007 – mainly piloted at HQ





### Ground Station System delivered by HEAD





Ethiopia Ground Station including antenna system, data processing system and data application software delivered to Ethiopia.

First commercial GRS in Sub-Saharan Africa to receive imagery collected by Chinese Remote sensing satellites

## Installation of Ethiopian GRS





# Inauguration of GRS (Ethiopia) - 15 May 2021







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- Geographic proximity
- Understanding of local needs
- Cultural, language barrier
- Project execution requiring local presence
- End-user awareness in space technology

## Social Economic Benefits : Ethiopia



Space Technology can be used for government decision making with social economic benefits

- Defense & Security
- Infrastructure monitoring
- Cadastral mapping ...

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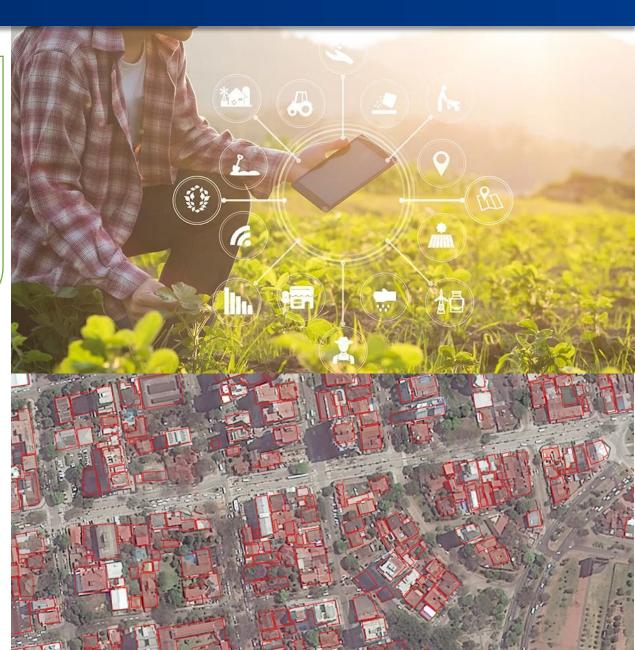
Agriculture and urbanism are directly linked

90% of the world's population growth will occur in third world countries, and 60% will be in cities.

Ethiopia agricultural land ~380,000km<sup>2</sup> 33 % of the land area of the country 40 % of the GDP 80 % of exports 75 % of the country's workforce.

**Yield prediction** and **precision farming** are undeniably one of the top priorities of the Ethiopian government. This circular economy will bring Ethiopia better management of their stocks and better sustainability on their food consumption.

Capacity building in Ethiopia by using space technology Education / research program in space technology Using space products to maximize productivity



### **HEAD Skywalker IoT constellation**



Five HEAD satellites on-orbit

Full constellation: 48 Satellites

Current pilot projects in Africa Kenya South Africa Uganda

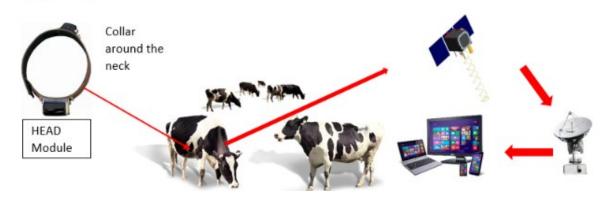
# IoT Skywalker constellation – South Africa use case







#### Option 2



HEAD Works with two South Africa local companies

# IoT Skywalker constellation – South Africa use case

and testing

construction

Current project under



### **Applications Agriculture**

#### **Equipment Monitoring**

Skywalker IoT sensors enable farming equipment and vehicles to be monitored and maintained according to production rates, labour effectiveness and failure prediction.

#### **Predictive Analysis**

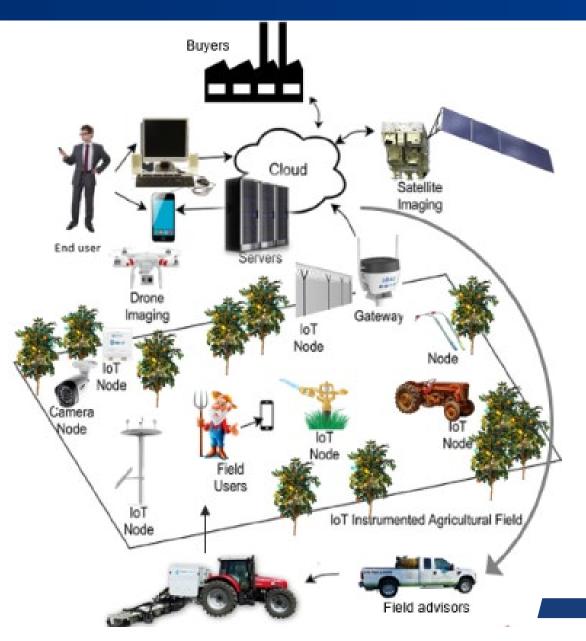
Skywalker's sensors collect data from the farm and provide analysis on parameters such as soil acidity (pH level), moisture, and chemical components (phosphorous). Farmers can use this data to take quick and intelligent decisions to improve operational efficiency.

#### Livestock Tracking and Geofencing\*

Skywalker's terminals allow farm owners to collect data regarding the location, well-being, and health of their cattle. This information helps to prevent the spread of disease and also lowers labor costs.

#### **Greenhouse Automation**

Skywalker IoT sensors measure the environmental parameters according to the plant requirement inside the greenhouse, the cloud server enables data processing and applies a control action. This design provides cost-effective and optimal solutions for farmers with minimal manual intervention.



## **IoT Skywalker constellation – Kenya use case**







The biggest thread for fish farming is change in water temperature end Ph levels, water flow

Poor internet, lack of Cellphone coverage is a huge issue. Spacebased IoT

Challenge: end-user awareness of benefits by space technology HEAD works with local fish farming industry & local service providers



Several instruments can now link to the HEAD terminal for sending data

### Sustainable development in Africa



**Opportunities** space technology can bring social economic value

China's the Belt & the Road initiative investment, technology transfer...

#### **Keys successful factors**

Collaboration with local governmental stakeholders Work with local industry/HEAD's 40 local partners in Africa HEAD's local presence Pilot project to increase end-user awareness in benefits bringing by space technology

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