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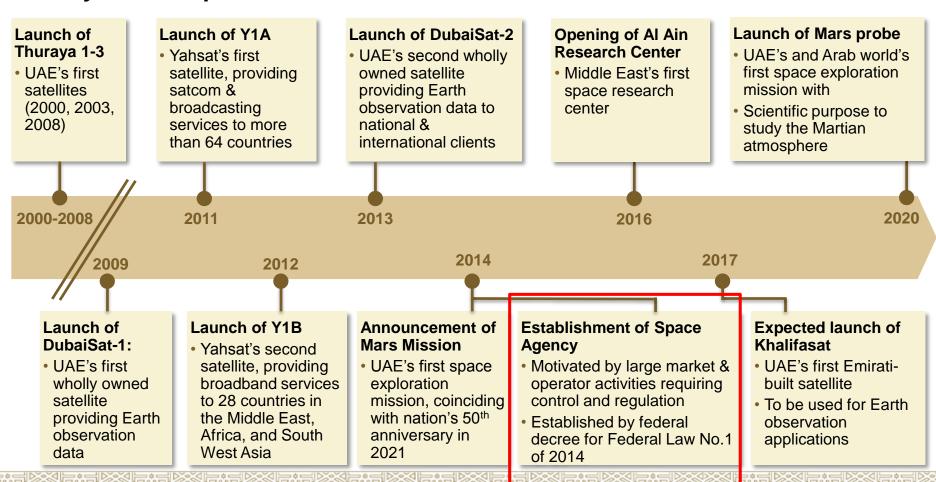






The UAE has carried out an extensive range of space activities since 2000 with ambitions set significantly higher for the future

History of UAE space activities

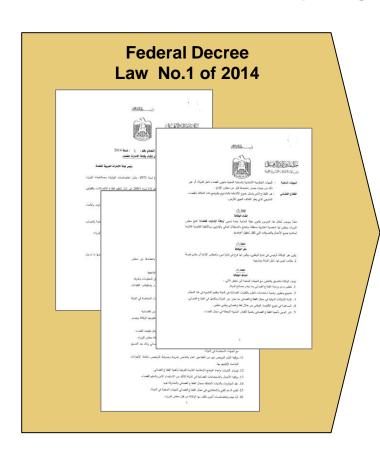


Source: Yahsat; MBRSC; UAE Space Agency;



Federal Decree Law No.1 of 2014 establishes the UAE Space Agency

UAE Space Agency Objectives as Defined by the Decree



Agency Objectives

- Organize, support and guide the Space sector to serve the interests of the State
- Encourage the development and use of Space science and technology within the State and provide advice in this area
- 3 Establish international partnerships in the Space sector so as to enhance the State's role and status in the Space sector
- 4 Contribute to the diversification of the national economy through a developed national Space sector
- 5 Raise awareness of the importance of the Space sector and the development of the qualified human resources in the Space field



Multiple globally leading companies downstream and strengths in the enablers

Snapshot of selected UAE strengths Not exhaustive **UPSTREAM DOWNSTREAM** R&D Manufacturing & AIT¹ **Ground Operations Value Added Services** Increasing Emirati Value chain steps Global #7 in FSS involvement in الااهسات vahsat spacecraft THURAYA (1) Global #3 in MSS manufacturing Establishment of new Independent space center Global #1 teleport operator elseco in space of the year² insurance

Value chain enablers	Partnerships	Growing range of domestic and international partnerships
	Human Capital	12% growth rate in STEM enrolment in higher education
	Laws & Regulations	Ratification of 9 treaties; space spectrum regulations, 2 ComSat licensed, National Space Regulatory Framework is being developed
	Science, Technology & Innovation	300% increase in amount of international patent applications in the last 3 years
	Capital & Finance	Multiple space-relevant funding sources available
	Facilities & Infrastructure	World Top 3 transport infrastructure



9 out of 16 relevant international space related treaties have been ratified by the UAE

The Outer Space Treaty
The Liability Convention

The Registration Convention
The ITU regime & RR

The ITSO Agreement
The ARABSAT Agreement

The IMSO Convention
The Chicago Convention

Key takeaways

International obligations of the UAE

General

- Space as "global commons" (not subject to sovereignty of any country)
- Limitations on the conduct of activities in space (e.g. restrictions on military use)

Licensing

- State responsibility for private activities in outer space
- Liability and insurance
- Unlimited state liability for damage caused by private space objects
- Registration
- Jurisdiction over registered space objects

Other considerations

Telecommunications

- Coordination with ITU on the allocation and use of radio spectrum
- Non-interference with purposes of international and regional communication organizations

Aviation

- Complete and exclusive sovereignty of state over the airspace
- Coordination with ICAO on interference with aviation



Development of UAE Space Policy and Regulatory Framework

