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About this publication

You are reading the first edition of the Danish Space Directory. The goal is, with time, to offer the most comprehensive overview of Denmark's space capabilities, which we hope will be a useful resource for industry professionals, investors, collaborators, and anyone looking to gain a deeper understanding of our space sector - whether you're based in Denmark or abroad.

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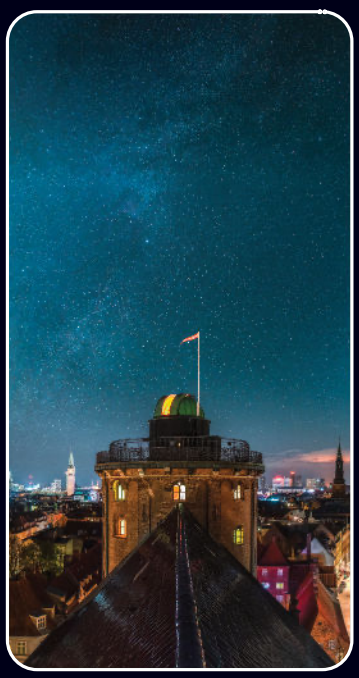
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Foreword

The Danish space sector is growing. This is clear from the reported revenue and weekly job listings shared by Denmark's innovative companies and world-class universities, from the acquisitions, and from the increasing goverment investment in space science and defence spending.

With this publication, we seek to create an overview of the space capabilties that Denmark has to offer. We hope that by publishing this annual catalogue, international space clusters and Danish non-space actors will gain a better understanding of the technology, services, and innovation capacity that can be found across the national space ecosystem here in Denmark.

A directory is only as good as the data it presents. The team at Space Denmark would like to thank all the Danish companies, start-ups, universities, GTS institutes, networking actors, and associations that have taken the time to submit their data for inclusion in this directory.

We hope you find something new when flipping through this first edition of the Danish Space Directory. If you have any questions about the information in this document, please do not hesitate to contact the people associated with each listing, or getting in touch with us directly at Space Denmark.

Enjoy the **Danish Space Directory 2026**.



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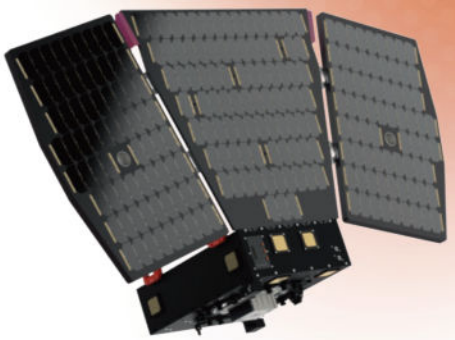
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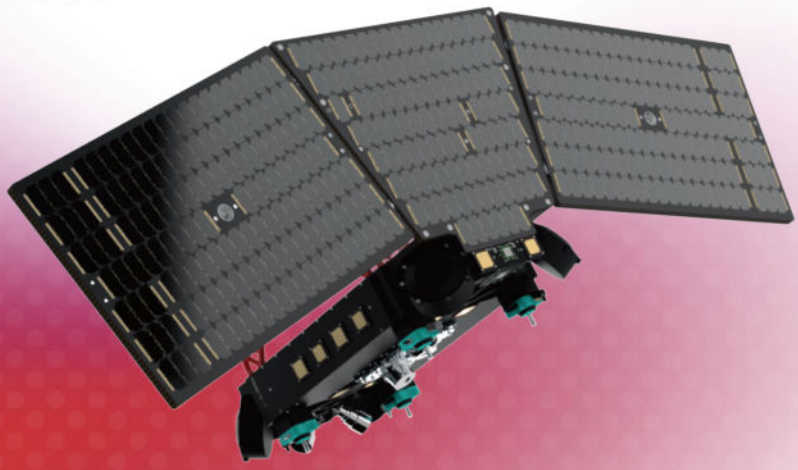
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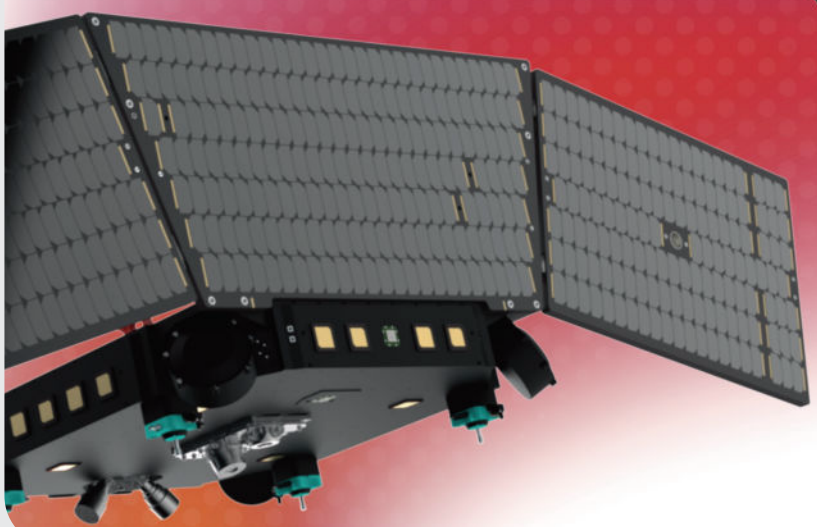
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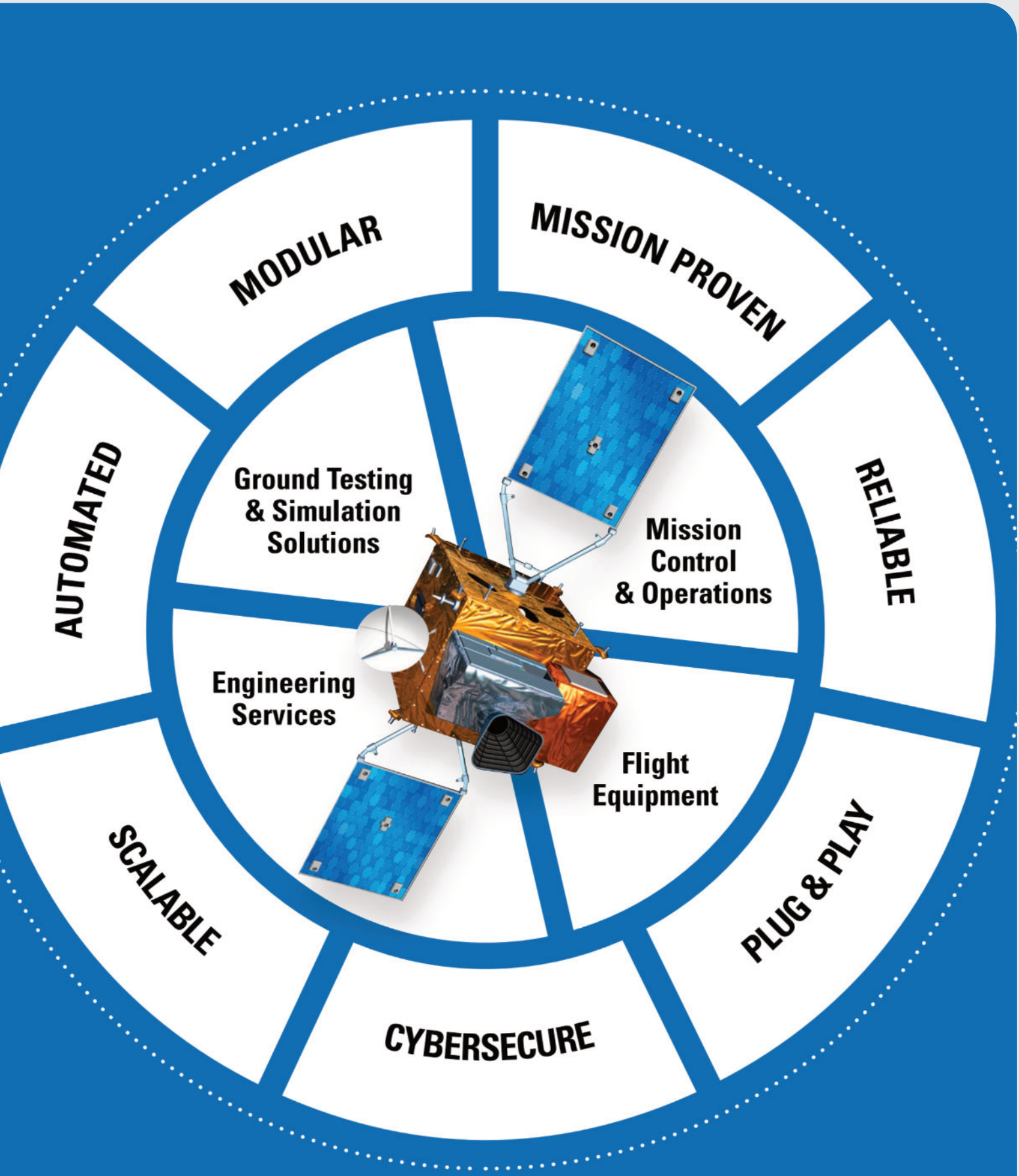
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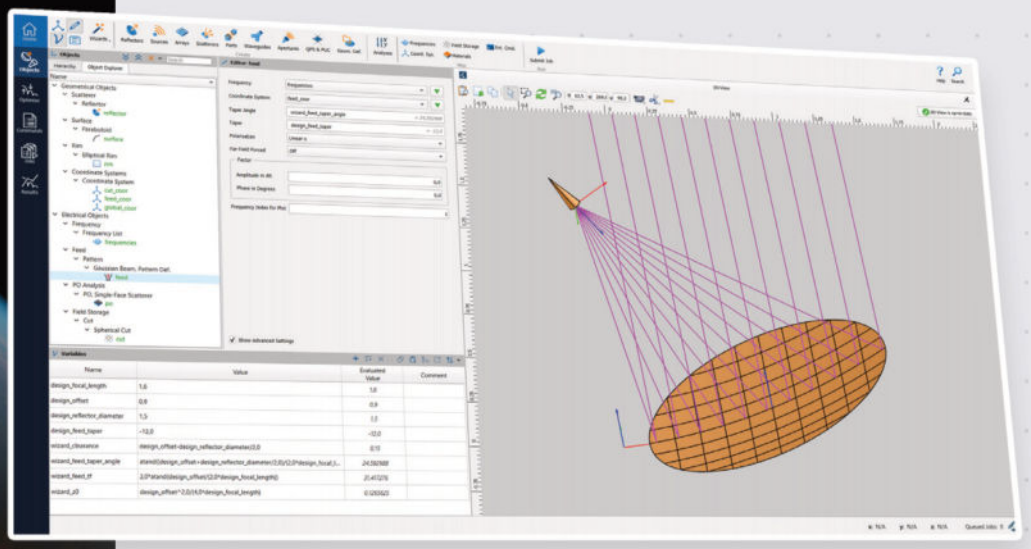
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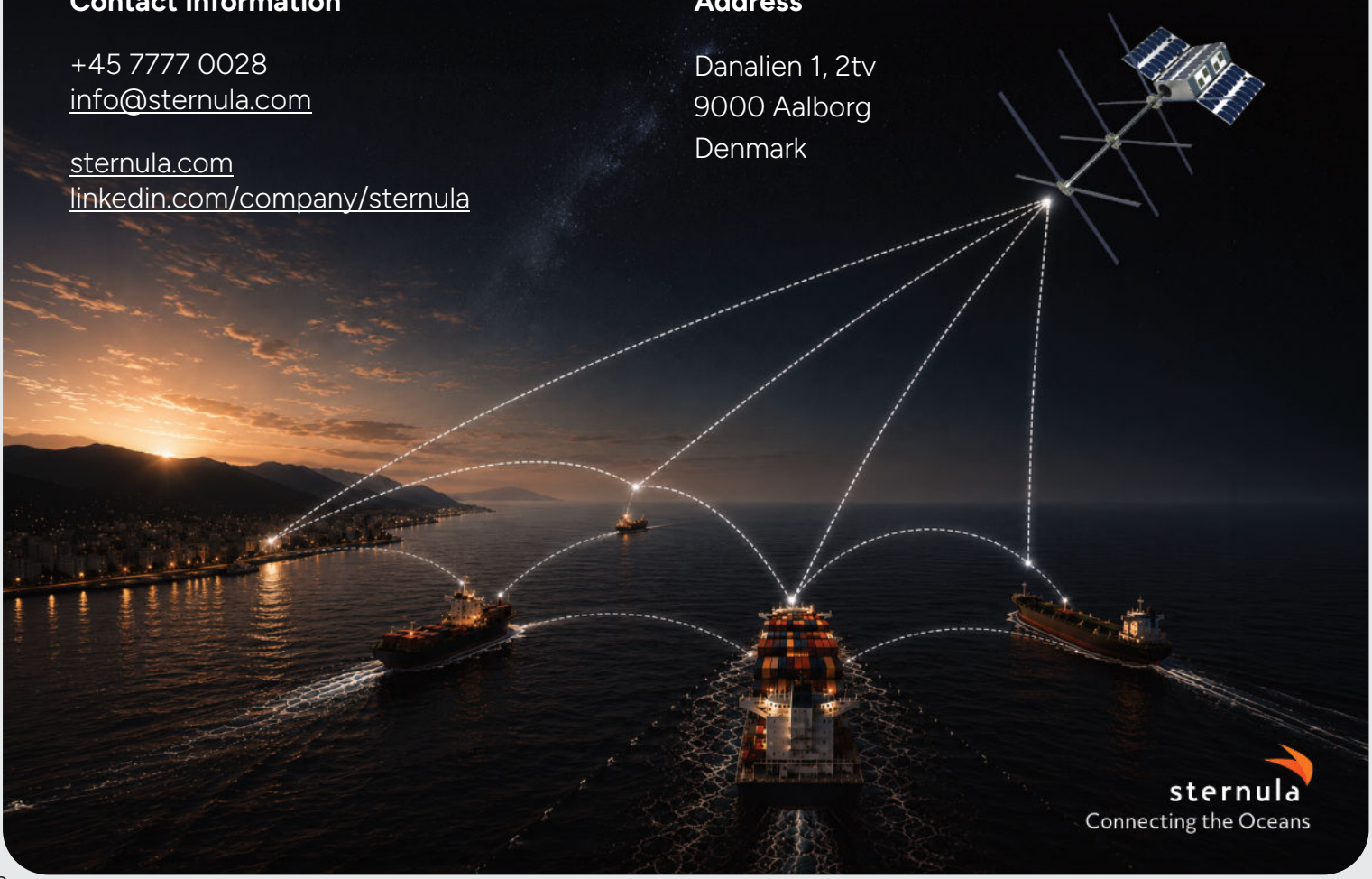
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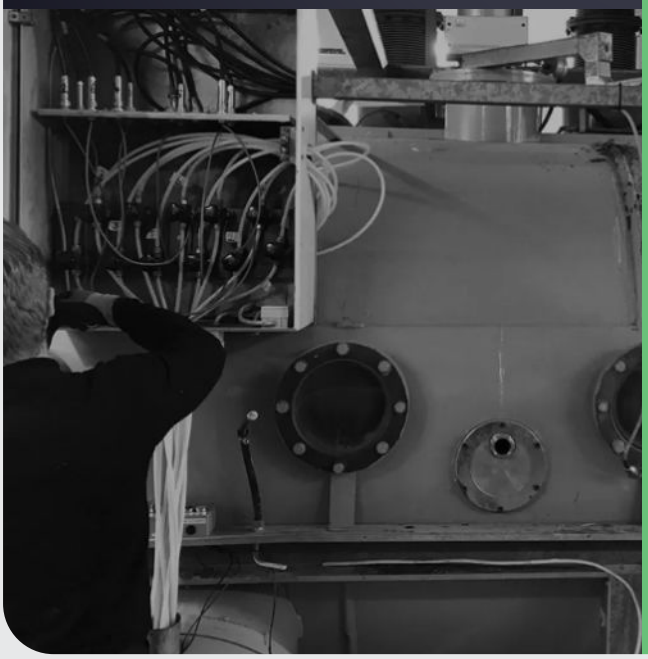


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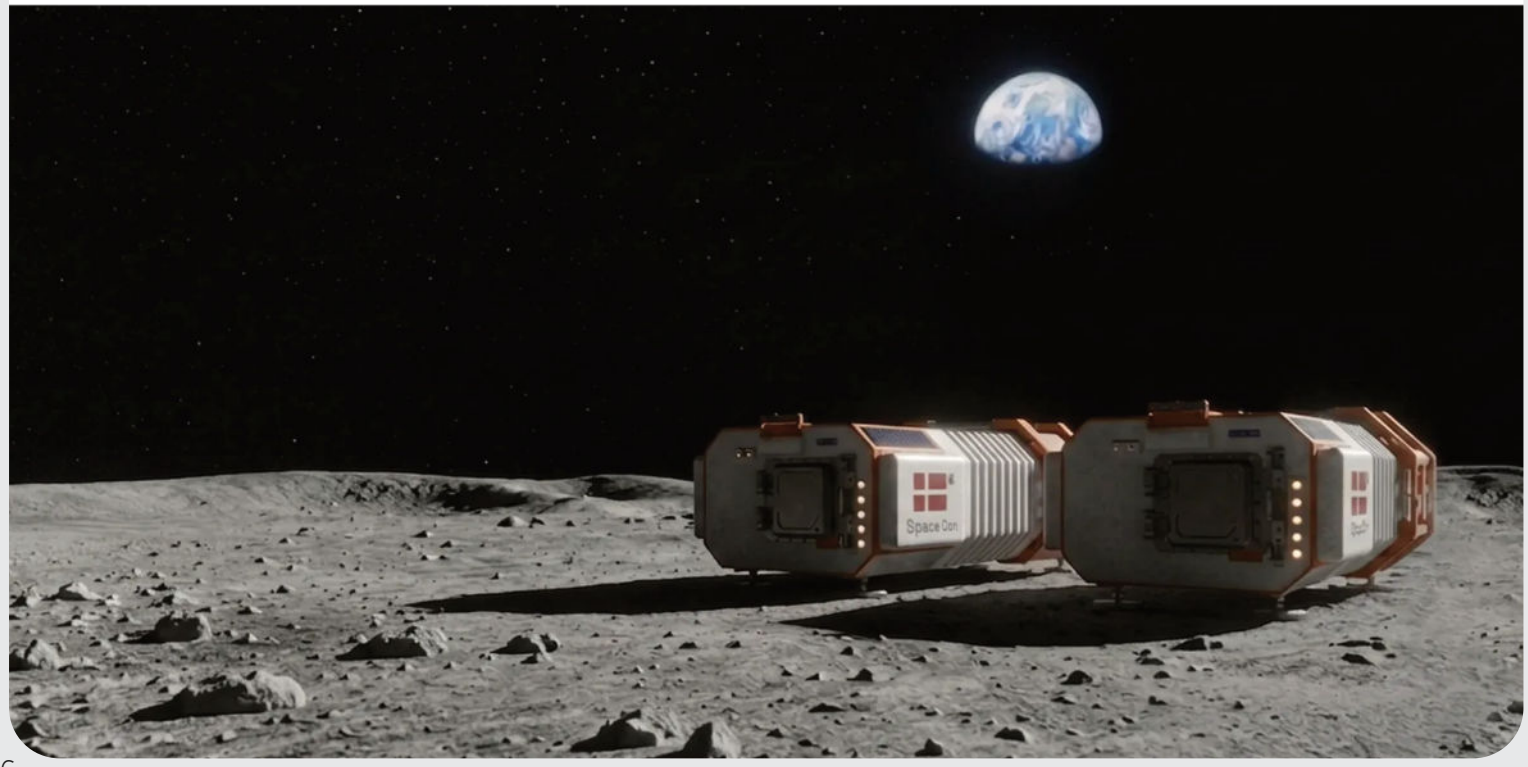
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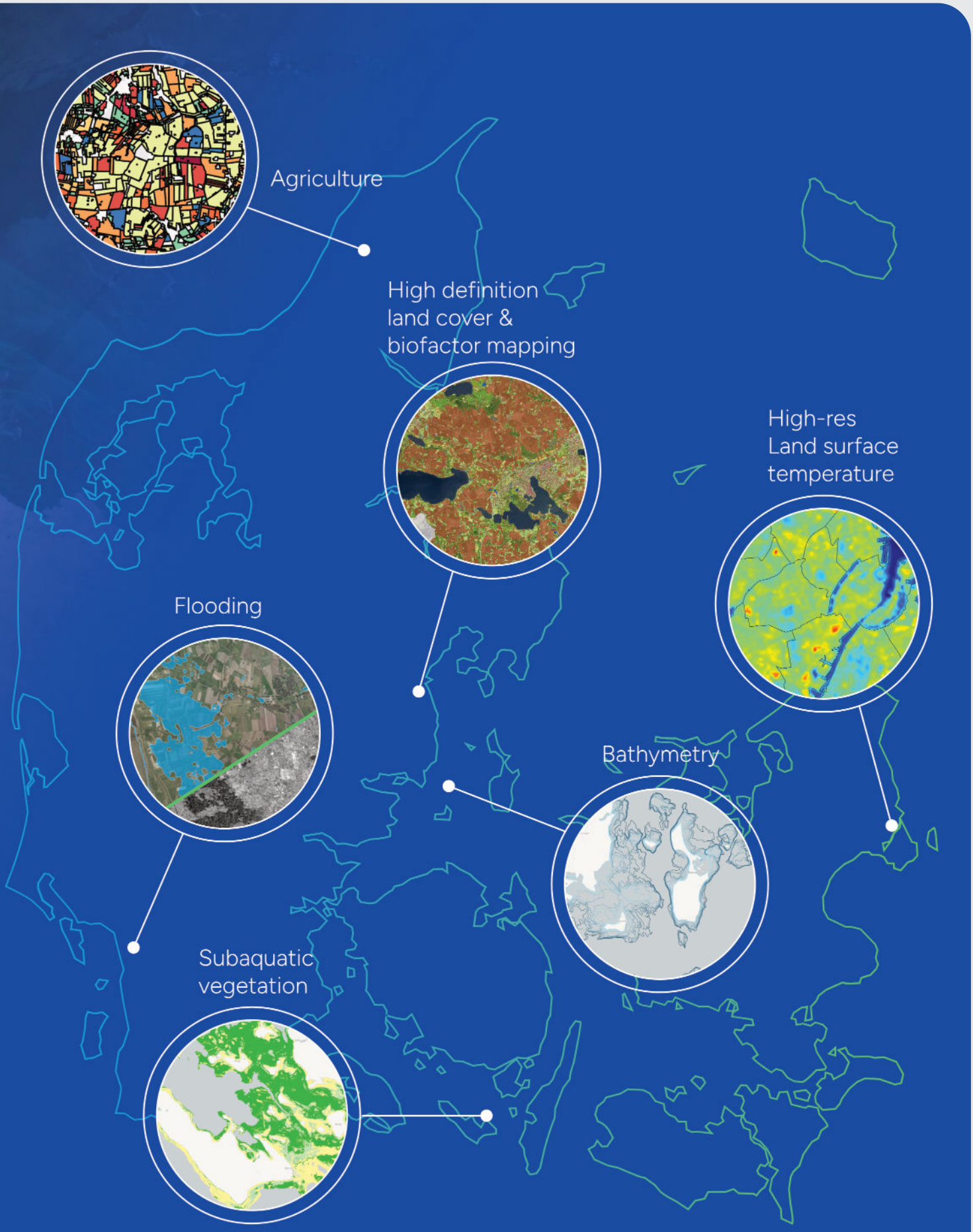
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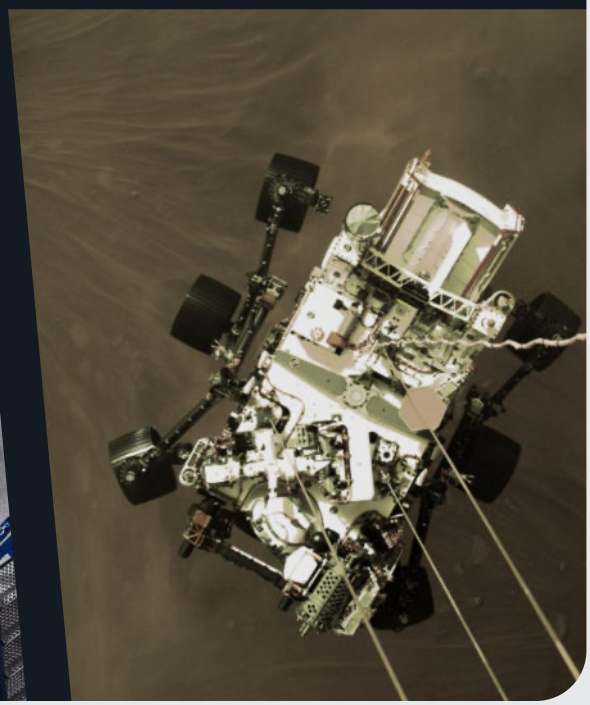


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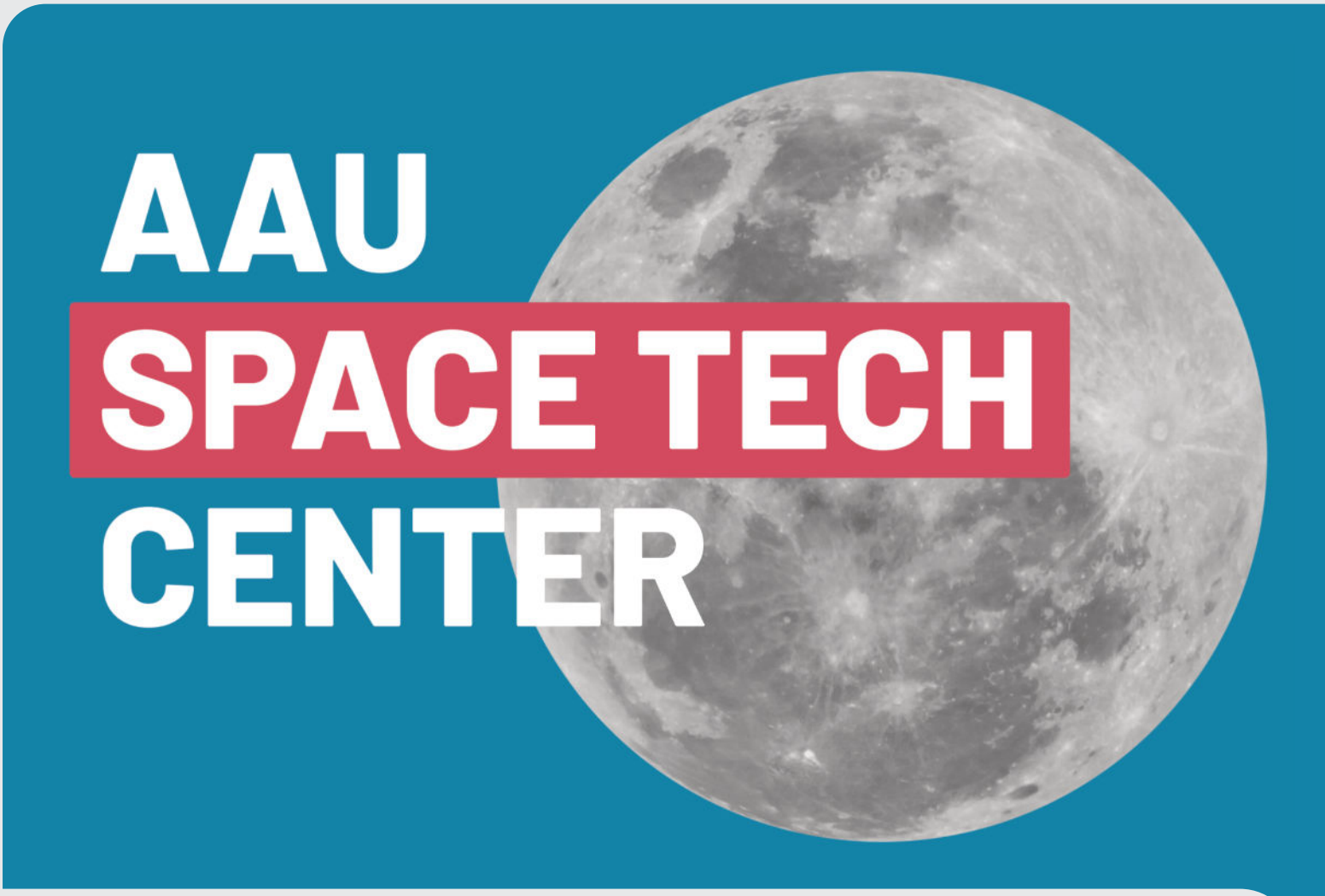
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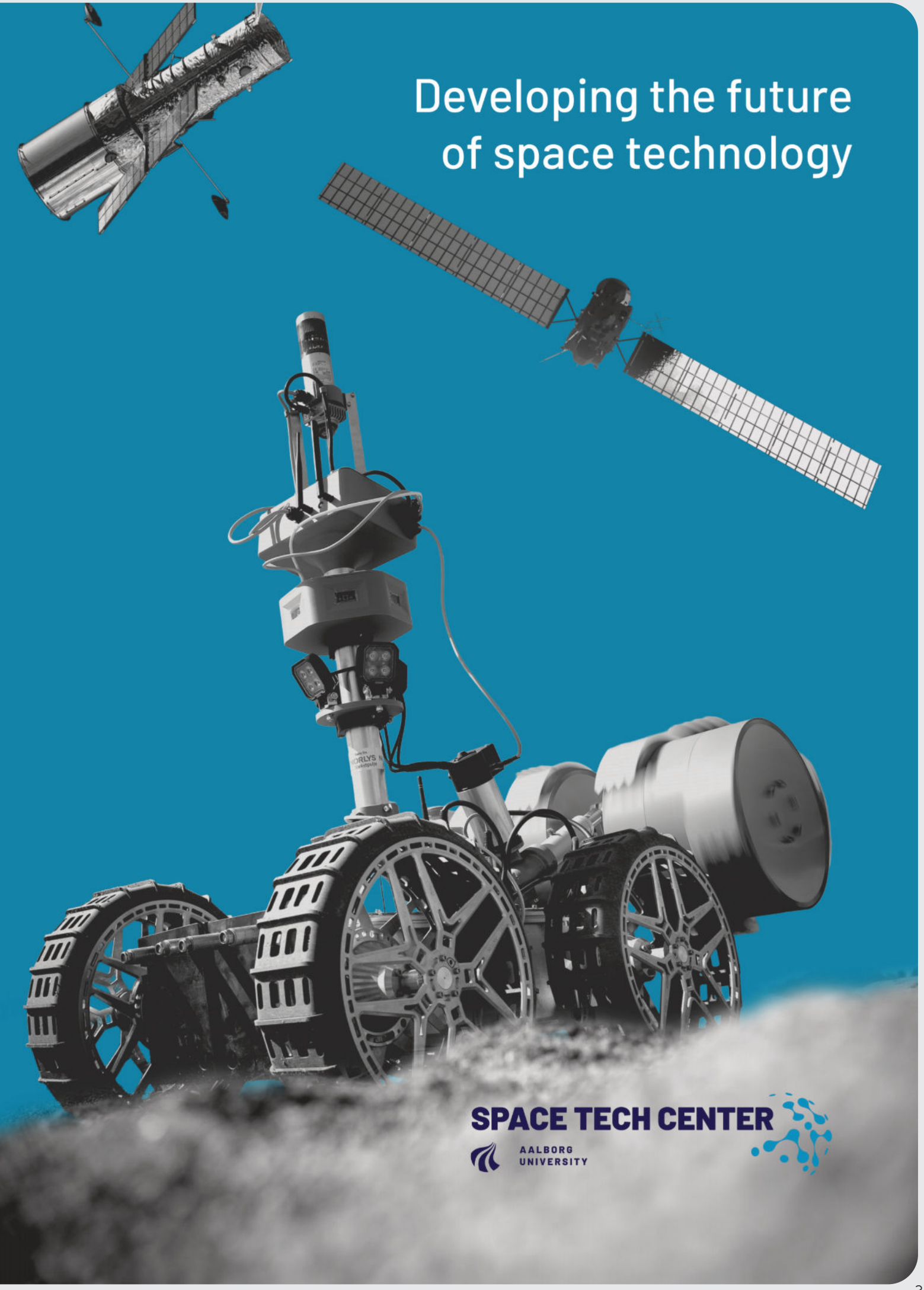
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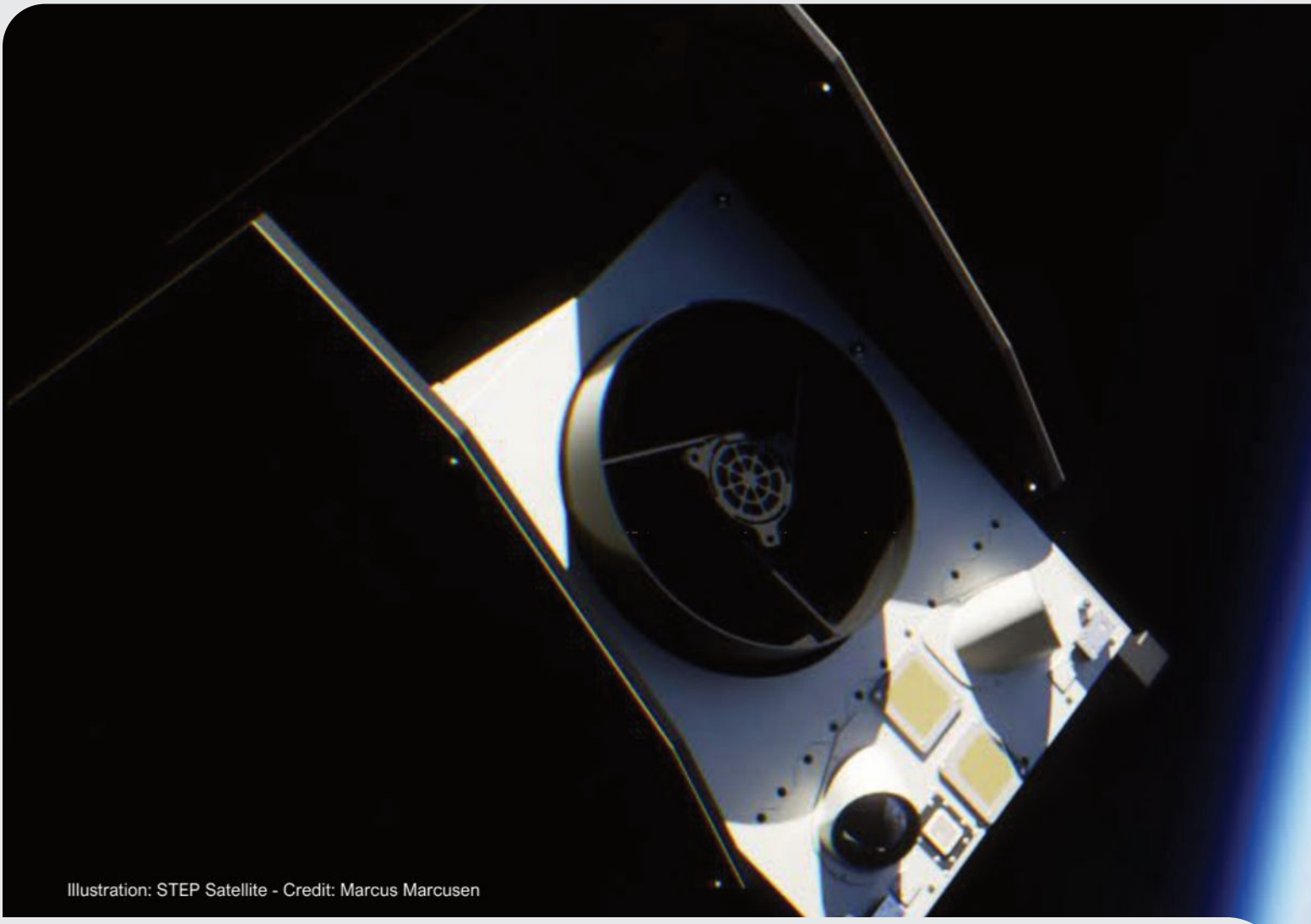


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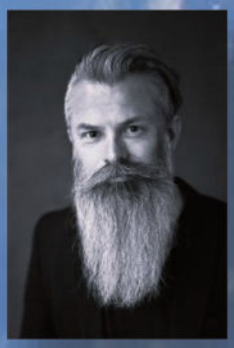
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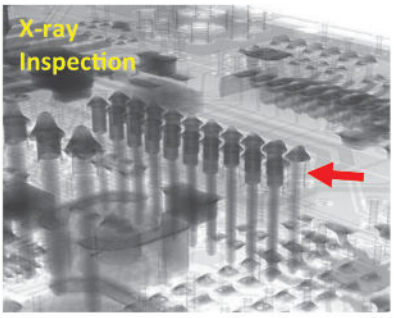
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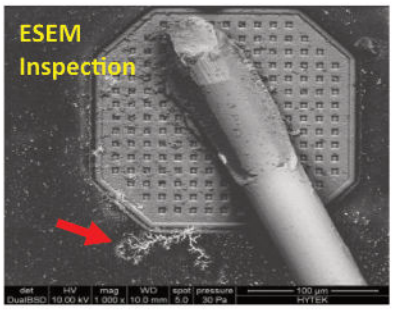
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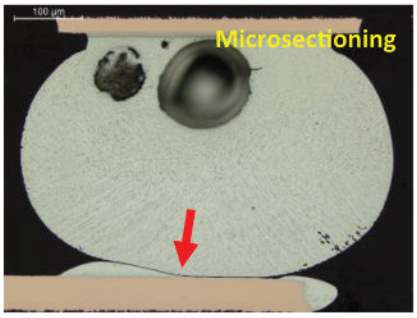
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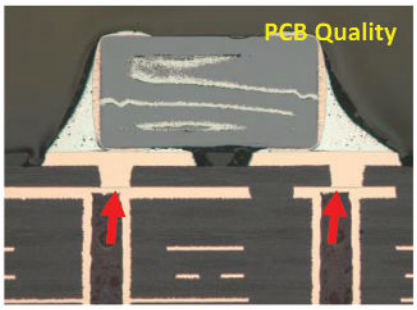




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- Components e.g. Counterfeit, solderability, de-rating....
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DTU Space Ventures runs the project Space Ventures DK supported by Industriens Fond to accelerate Danish space tech ventures. We manage the ESA Business Incubation Centre with other universities to support space-based startups in Denmark. In addition, we manage the ESA Technology Broker DK helping SMEs secure funding for space-driven innovation, and build the ecosystem through events and outreach.

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DTU's campus in Lyngby, north of Copenhagen.

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Networks, clusters, and communities

Denmark's space sector is a small but tightly woven ecosystem of communities, networks, and clusters that link together research, industry, public authorities, students, and space enthusiasts from across society. While the country has no single space agency, a rich landscape of organisations has emerged to help Danish stakeholders find each other and collaborate.

The ecosystem spans several types of actors.

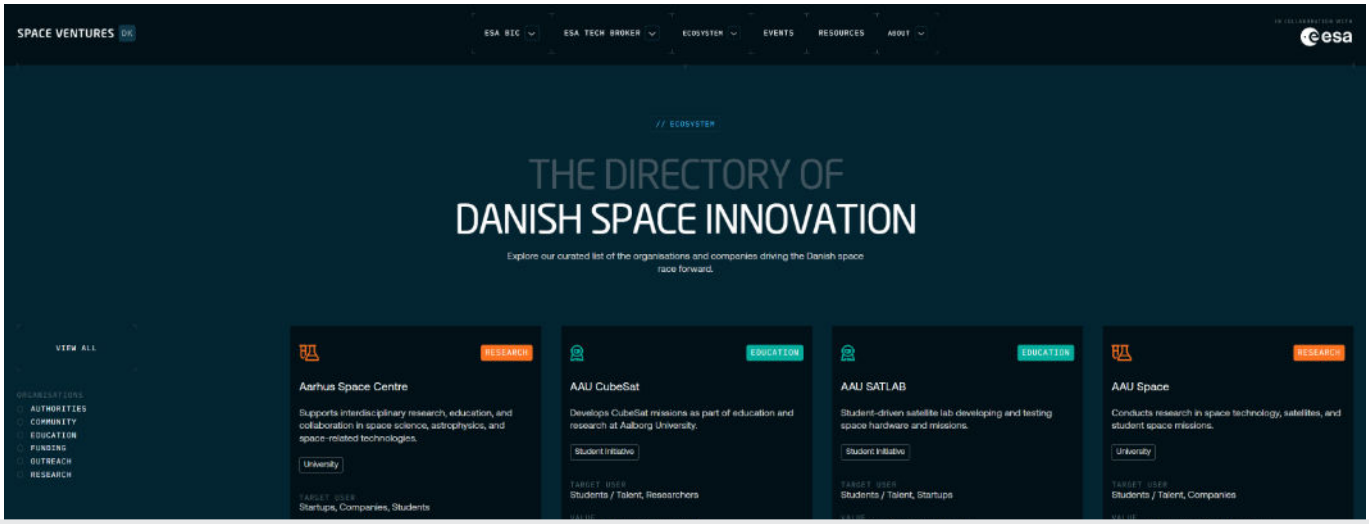
Universities such as DTU, Aarhus University, Aalborg University, and SDU contribute research, test facilities, and commercialisation support, including the ESA Business Incubation Centre and ESA Technology Broker programmes run through Space Ventures DK.

Regional clusters gather companies, academia, and investors around regional strengths, such as Space Connect North in Northern Denmark, which has strengths in satellite communications and space technology, or the robotics industry concentrated around the city of Odense.

Membership organisations and communities such as Space Denmark, the Danish Astronautical Society, the cluster CenSec, and the industry association DI Danish Defence and Security Industries act as gathering points for the sector and a promote the Danish space narrative in Denmark and abroad.

Learn more about the organisations driving Denmark's space sector forward in this ecosystem map developed by Space Ventures DK:

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CenSec | Cluster or Network

CenSec – Center for Defence, Space & Security is Denmark's national innovation and business cluster for actors within defence, space and security. As a national cluster, our mandate is to bring together and strengthen the entire ecosystem, including companies, knowledge institutions and public authorities. CenSec focus on linking the space sector with the defence and security domain and looking to how defence and emergency management authorities can apply space technologies at both strategic and tactical levels, highlight market and business opportunities and connect research, innovation, funding and practice.

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Space Connect North | Cluster or Network

The aim of Space Connect North is to bring together industry, research, and public stakeholders to strengthen space research, talent, and technology development, as well as to create growth opportunities and collaborative projects across sectors.

The space area at Aalborg University has been developing rapidly over the past 20 years, and especially in recent years there has been an increasing interest in the many possibilities it holds.

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The Als Rocketry Club | Non-profit or Association

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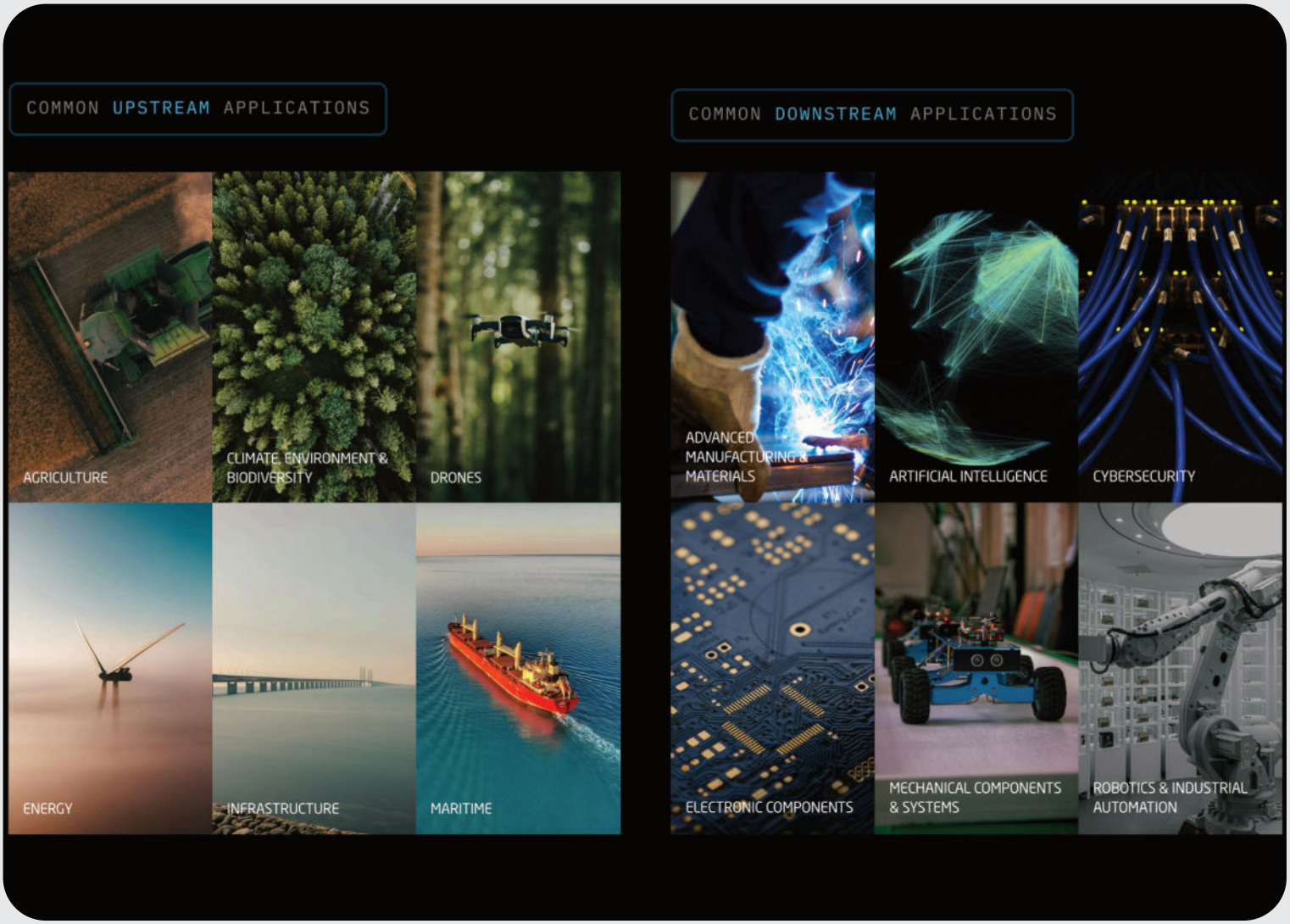
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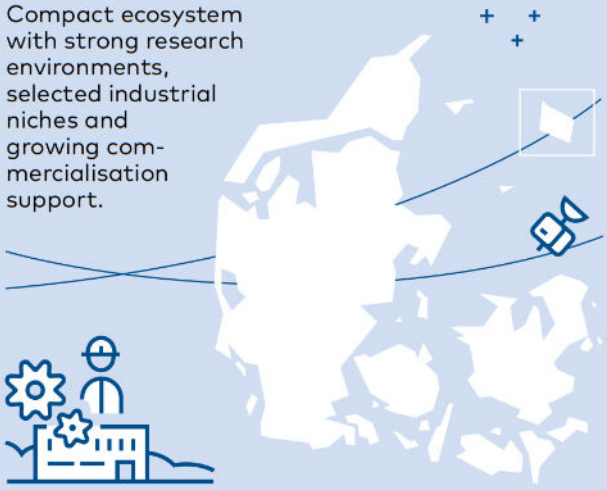
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Denmark's space technology ecosystem

Small, specialised and increasingly strategic

Ecosystem profile

Compact ecosystem with strong research environments, selected industrial niches and growing com-mercialisation support.



Key numbers

~200 space-related companies

2,378 fulll-time equivalents

830 million EUR total turnover

53% export share

Value chain distribution of companies

145	62	15
Downstream	Upstream	Both

Capability profile

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