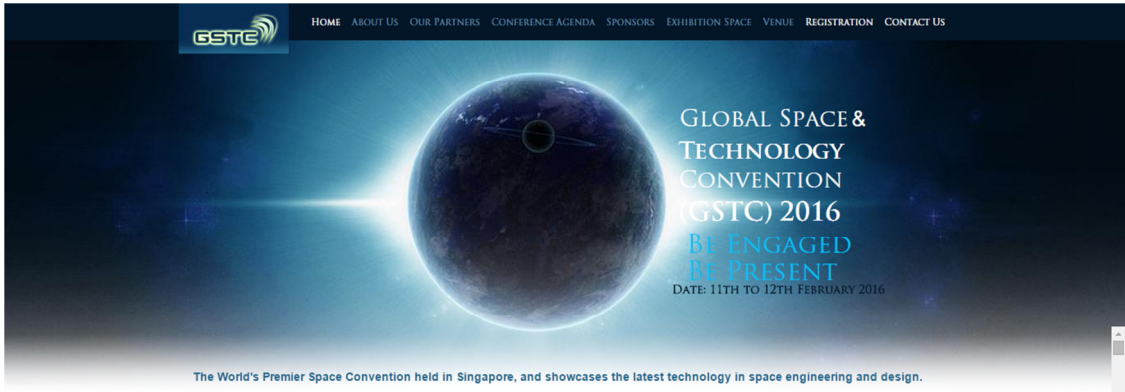


# Report: The Global Space & Technology Convention (GSTC) 2016

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### Summary:

This year's Global Space & Technology Convention (GSTC) was held at the Sheraton Towers in Singapore, from February 11 to 12, 2016. This event has been held annually in Singapore since 2008, and is hosted by the Singapore Space and Technology Association (SSTA), a non-profit organization working to enhance space business development in Singapore. The GSTC has become the leading conference for space technology and businesses in Asia, and included a wide number of

presentations and exhibitions. This year's conference theme was "Propelling Asia's Space Technology Growth".

There were about 300 participants, most of them hailing from Singapore and Europe and involved in the space business. An opening speech was provided by Mr. S Iswaran, the Singapore Minister of Trade and Industry. Our impression was that the Singapore government has made great efforts towards developing space business, despite the lack of a government-run

space organization.

### Our Impressions:

The highlight of this conference was the presentation of 6 Singapore-owned satellites, launched in December, 2015. The country has launched its first operational earth observation satellite, TeLEOS-1, manufactured by ST-Electronics (ST-E). The first image captured by TeLEOS-1 was unveiled at the conference. It seems that various space businesses in Singapore are receiving increasing levels of support. ST-E is a subsidiary of Singapore Technologies Engineering – an integrated engineering group active in the aerospace, electronics, military contracting and marine sectors.

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### Presentations & Main Topics:

TeLEOS-1

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Satellites manufactured by Singapore Universities

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The Philippines National Space Development

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OneWeb

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Fund-raising and Insurance

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### Other Miscellaneous

#### Comments:

Singaporeans are speedy walkers - they walk much faster than people in other South East Asian countries. Perhaps because of this national characteristic, escalator speeds in Singapore are much faster than those in Japan, which proved quite a surprise for us. It's possible that this fact contributes to quick decision making at Singapore companies and organizations.



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