



## SIA President's Report

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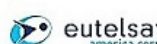
**SIA THANKS ALL THE SPEAKERS, SPONSORS AND EXHIBITORS FOR MAKING THE 13<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL WORKSHOP A TREMENDOUS SUCCESS**



### DoD Commercial SATCOM Workshop Organized by – SIA



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### COMING SOON - 2018 DOD COMMERCIAL SATCOM WORKSHOP DETAILS

#### SIA Member News

**BLUE ORIGIN ANNOUNCES SUCCESSFUL LAUNCH OF NEW SHEPARD**



On Dec 13th, Blue Origin announced the successful launch of its New Shepard launch vehicle and Crew Capsule 2.0 from the Blue Origin Test Site in West Texas. For this and other member news, please see the SIA Member News page [HERE](#). (Screenshot photo credit: Blue Origin)

#### Other SIA Member News Nov Headlines:

- **SES to Support Demonstrations of Satellite Integration for 5G Networks**
- **Intelsat General Releases Interference Mitigation White Paper**
- **Southern California Wildfire Images Released by Planet**
- **Intelsat Delivers Global Broadcast for Climate Reality Project**
- **ViaSat Opens New U.S Offices in Seattle, WA and Austin, TX**
- **Iridium and SpaceX Continue Launch Preparations for 10 New Iridium NEXT Satellites**
- **SES Announces Ground Infrastructure Agreement for GEO High Throughput Satellites**
- **ViaSat 2 Reaches Geostationary Orbit and Commences Testing**

For More Details Regarding These and Other Stories - Click [HERE](#) to visit the SIA Member News Page

#### SIA Event News



SIA is pleased to announce it will once again partner with Show Organizer Access Intelligence and be an official partner of SATELLITE 2018. The satellite industry conference and exhibition will take place from March 12th-15th at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center in Washington, DC. Please click [HERE](#) for more show details.

For a complete SIA list of Association and industry events, please see below or click [HERE](#).



#### Calendar of SIA Featured Events

- **SIA PANEL MODERATOR - Smallsat Symposium: Mountain View, CA Feb 5th-7th in 2018**
- **SIA PARTNER CONFERENCE - SATELLITE 2018: Walter E. Washington Convention Center, Washington, DC March 12-15**

For a list of ALL upcoming industry conferences, tradeshows, and events - please click [HERE](#) to visit the SIA President's report Event Calendar page.



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#### SIA News Headlines

**SIA ORGANIZES 13TH ANNUAL DOD COMMERCIAL SATCOM WORKSHOP**



From Dec 12th-14th, SIA successfully organized the 13th anniversary edition of the DoD Commercial SATCOM Workshop. This year's Workshop was once again sponsored by U.S. Strategic Command and featured House Armed Services Strategic Forces Subcommittee Chairman Mike Rogers (above left) and Stephen L. Kitay, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Space Policy (above right) as Workshop Keynotes. Over 40 public sector and commercial satellite industry speakers participated in the two-day workshop including 23 U.S. Government keynotes, moderators and speaker/panelists. Stay tuned for details regarding the 2018 Workshop.

For all the latest SIA News, announcements and filings, please click [HERE](#)

#### SIA Filing News

**SATELLITES WILL PLAY INTEGRAL ROLE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEXT GENERATION WIRELESS CONNECTIVITY**

On Dec 11th, SIA filed comments in response to the FCC's NOI regarding the timely deployment of advanced telecommunications (telecom) capability or connectivity services. SIA noted that satellite broadband is currently a dynamic and competitive product, and the industry continues to invest billions of dollars into innovations that will provide even greater capacity and higher speeds to its U.S. satellite broadband consumers. SIA concluded that the Commission should find that the deployment of advanced telecom capability is reasonable and timely based on the strong evidence in the record of investment and broader availability of services. To view a copy of the filing, please click [HERE](#).

**SIA FILES FINAL COMMENTS IN RESPONSE TO FNPRM REGARDING IBC REGULATORY FEES**

On Dec 1st, SIA filed final reply comments with the FCC in response to the Commissions FNPRM regarding International Bearer Circuit (IBC) Regulatory Fees. In the comments, SIA urged the Commission to replace the current satellite IBC fee with an assessment on international section 214 authorizations. If satellite IBC fees are not eliminated or replaced, they should continue to be assessed using the existing framework. For a complete copy of the filing, please click [HERE](#).