



Zephyr's contribution to a sustainable future

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High Altitude Platform Stations (HAPS) fill in a unique capability gap



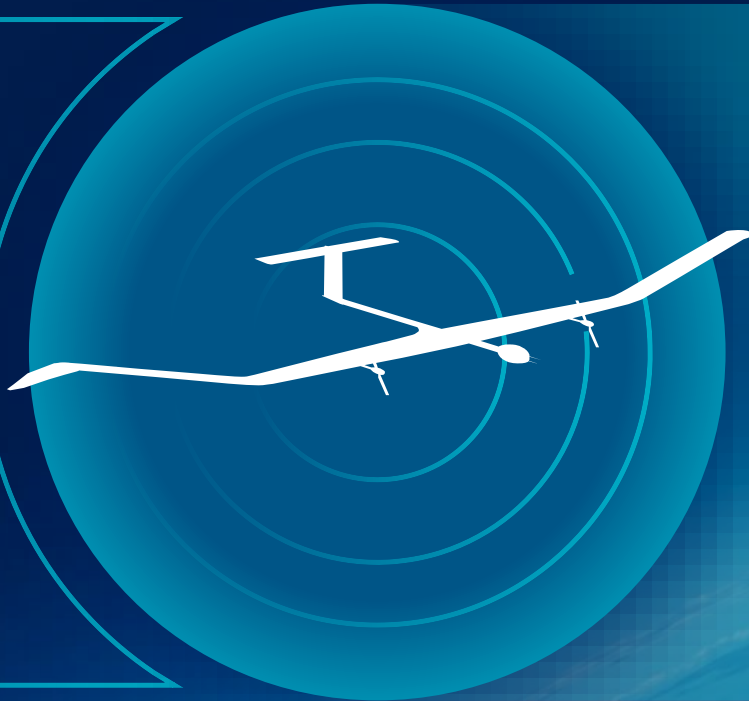
SATELLITE

- Endurance
- Global reach



DRONES AND MANNED MISSION AIRCRAFT

- Low latency
- Affordability
- Precision



- ✓ Wide reach
- ✓ Flexibility and retasking
- ✓ Real time
- ✓ Stationary & persistent
- ✓ Accuracy
- ✓ Low latency
- ✓ Low detectability

Combines the persistence of satellites with the flexibility and accuracy of a drone, being complementary to both.

Meet Zephyr, the Airbus HAPS

Facts

Figures



Sustainable,

Relies

100%
on solar power.



Electrical,

Uses sunlight to fly and recharge its batteries to continue operating

day & night



Autonomous,

Has demonstrated almost **26 days** of continued, precise operations in the Stratosphere.



Connected,

Provides Earth Observation and Connectivity:

See, Sense & Connect



10 years

of research, **design, prototyping and flying** development activities.



75 Kg weight

25 m wing span

8h to reach the stratosphere

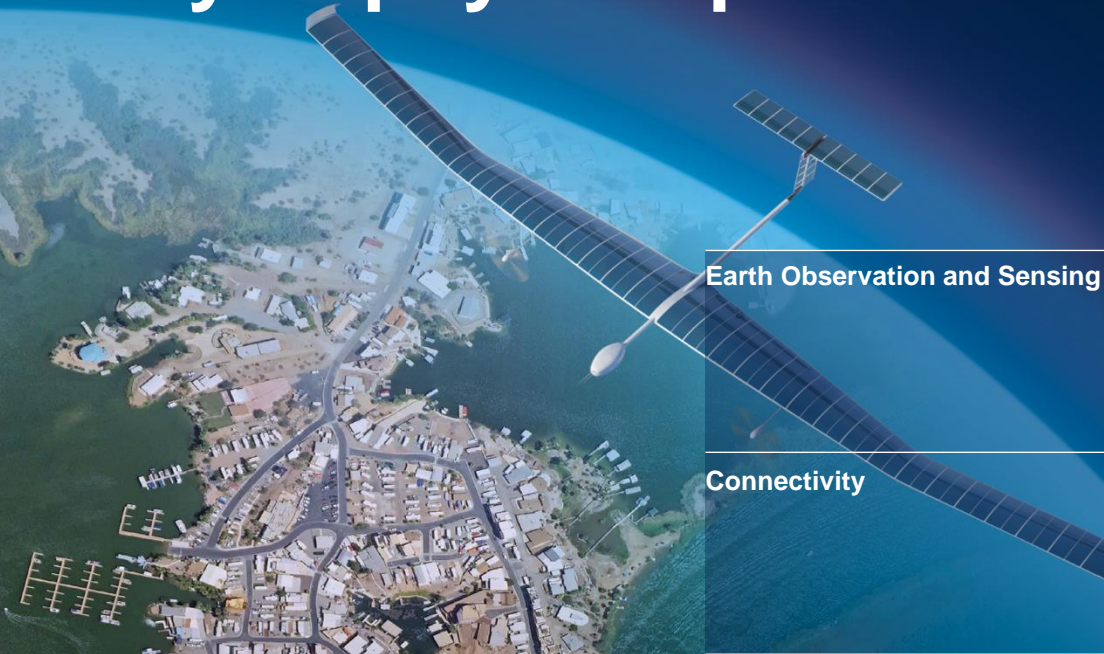
operates at **20 Km** above sea level

100 day target endurance and aiming for more

Up to **1,000 nm** travelled a day



A wide array of payload possibilities



Earth Observation and Sensing

Connectivity

Commercial

- Oil and Gas
- Crop Monitoring
- High-res typography
- Smart Cities
- Comm. LTE bubble
- Direct LTE
- Cellular backhauling
- Broadband services

Institutional

- Wildfire Monitoring
- Land Administration
- Environmental Monitoring
- Land Border Protection
- Disaster recovery
- ADS-B + voice over ocean

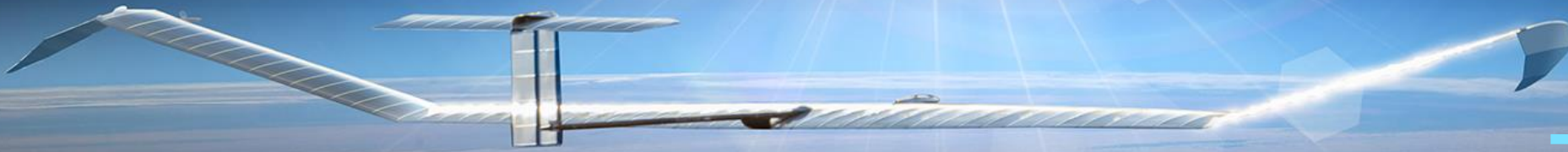
Military

- Maritime Security Persistent ISR
- Land / Coastal Border Protection
- SIGINT
- Carrier Strike Group
- V/UHF
- Military LTE Bubble
- Mobile COMs/MESH

OPAZ images – © Airbus DS – view from Airbus Zephyr

Zephyr is capable of providing a range of continuous surveillance, communications and monitoring services

How does Zephyr contribute to the UN SDGs?



Zephyr directly addresses all SDGs

3.8
Billion People

or about **half** of humanity, don't have access to the internet

Internet access transforms communities Generating \$2.2 trillion in additional GDP, a **72% increase in GDP** growth rate, and **>140 million new jobs** in developing economies



HAPS

OPAZ

The Airbus stratospheric Earth Observation payload



OPAZ: The Airbus stratospheric Earth Observation payload has been successfully used with both Zephyr and Balloons



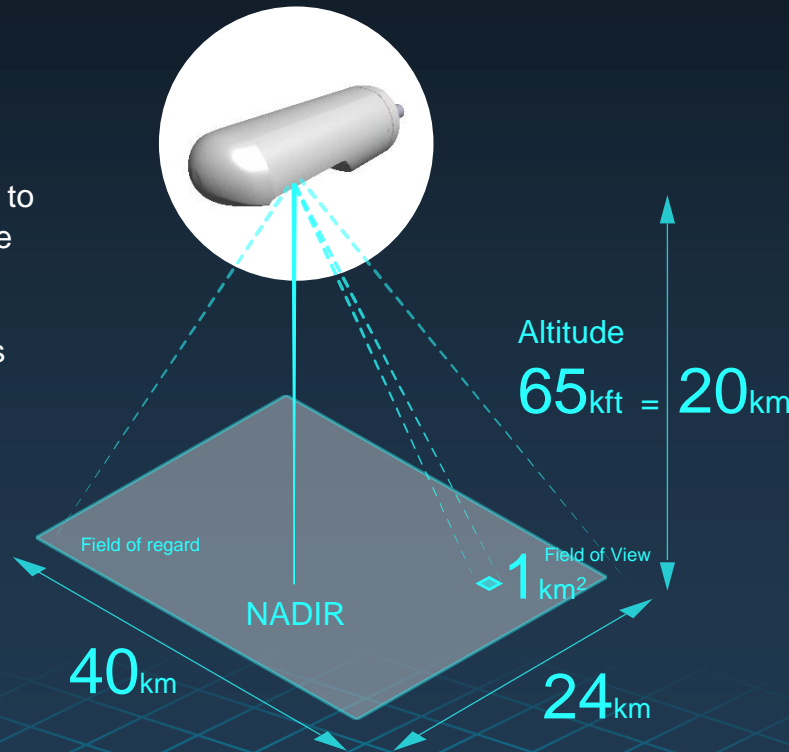
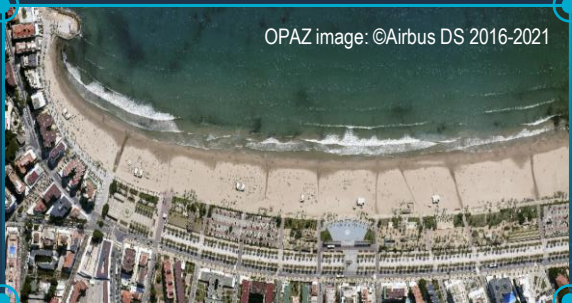
Both Balloons and Zephyr are environmentally sustainable, and rely on **100% Solar power**



Platform agnostic: we tailor our services to the customer needs, offering the most indicate platform for every use case



Complementary: Balloons and fixed wings can compose a mixed fleet to better serve customer needs



Live video & imagery

Main sensor (steerable)

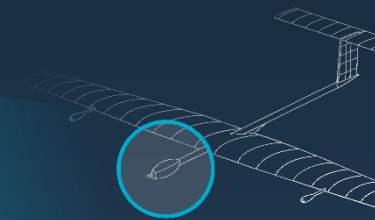
Electro-optical RGB resolution @ 18 cm

Medium Wave Infra-red resolution @ 70 cm

Secondary sensors (fixed)

100 km² RGB resolution @ 2 m

AIS sensor



Zephyr reached new heights in 2021



The world's leading solar-electric, fixed-wing stratospheric HAPS

Zephyr achievements to date:

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World records

3,000+

Stratospheric Flying hours

Zephyr completed another stratospheric flight campaign in 2021, setting a new world record for absolute altitude for this class of UAS at 76,100ft, and adding an additional 36 days of stratospheric flights to the books.

20,000+

Images, in only one test flight

Secured and exercised FAA flight approvals operating inside the US civil National Airspace.

Demonstrated successful flight with multiple payload integrations and tested new imagery OPAZ payload, streaming earth observation data.

2021 Zephyr flight test campaign achievements

6 flights

2 stratospheric for 18 days each



Continuing airworthiness demonstrated on two aircraft by "re-flying" both



FAA approval for commercial overflight in US National Airspace



Precision flying stratospheric manoeuvrability & station keeping 250 way points for airways work



Highest quality images received from OPAZ payload from >60,000 feet

5 days

of continuous live data streaming from OPAZ EO payload



Team growth in a combined UK, US and European team with more people than ever trained and qualified to fly the air system



Zephyr will stretch boundaries even further in 2022

2 flights
in national
airspace
and beyond



Beyond Line of
Sight operation



Further technical
improvements to
systems and
operational
processes



Integration of
new
payloads



New technical
solutions
on-board this
year



Further
expansion
in the team



Remote
operation of
the air system



Longer flight
durations than
ever before



OPAZ, the Airbus imagery payload for Zephyr

Real world images captured from the stratosphere



High resolution imagery captured from OPAZ

2021 flights tests confirm possibility to track people and convoy movement on a persistent basis



Lightning events

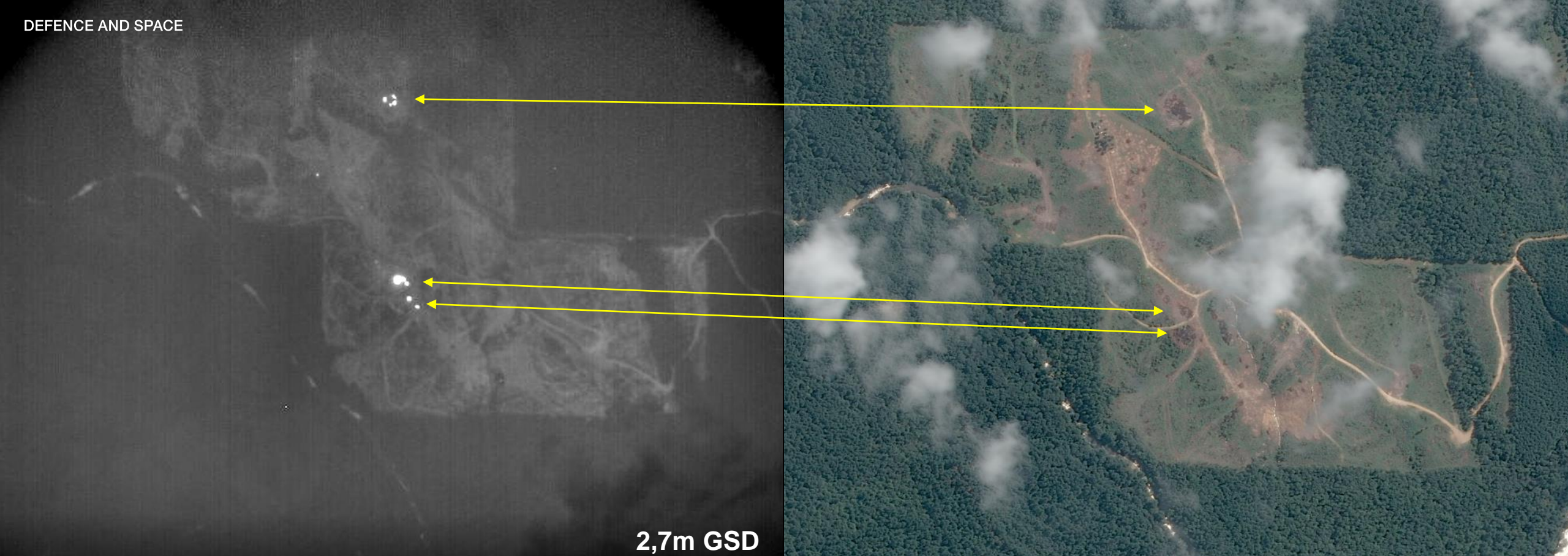
EFFIS Extreme and Very high danger of wildfire

Potentially large fire

Protected natural area

Drought, wind and high temperature forecast

EU HAPS Wildfire Service



2,7m GSD

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Pléiades images © Airbus DS 2020

Still image extracted from a 5 fps video.

GSD = 2.7m
1730 x 1300m

Two hot spots detected
in a forest area

MWIR sensor
Equipped with zoom:
0.7m 336x448m
17m 9x11km

All indicators at green to proceed to Zephyr operations ramp up



Preparing for operations at scale

Under contract with 5 customers:

Government & commercial
Europe, US, Asia-Pacific

**“All air vehicles are limited by physics,
some by fuel,
all others by imagination.”**

Chris Kelleher, father of Zephyr

