

Press release: Global problems to be tackled by UK from Space



UK Space Agency

This package of space-based solutions will tackle problems such as illegal deforestation, disaster response and food production.

The new register of specialist products and services delivered by UK space organisations and funded by UK aid, includes innovative ways to tackle issues in agriculture, health and energy with Ghana being one of the beneficiary African countries.

It provides international governments, donors, Non-Governmental Organisations and companies, with information on cost-effective ways to help development goals.

Dr Graham Turnock, Chief Executive of the UK Space Agency, said:

“The UK space sector makes a real impact on the lives of people all over the world. For the first time this directory provides a global platform to showcase UK expertise in using space to support sustainable development. This ‘one-stop shop’ offers innovative and cost-effective solutions to some of the major problems faced by developing countries and emerging economies”.

The solutions in the new catalogue of services are drawn from the UK Space Agency’s International Partnership Programme, the largest of its kind in the world, which is already working in more than 30 countries across Africa, Asia and South America.

The £152 million programme uses UK expertise to benefit communities in developing and emerging economies, while building effective partnerships that can lead to growth and opportunities for the UK’s thriving space sector. It is an example of how UK development spending can tackle serious global challenges and advance common interests.

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