



# IAA Space-Based ADS-B Projects

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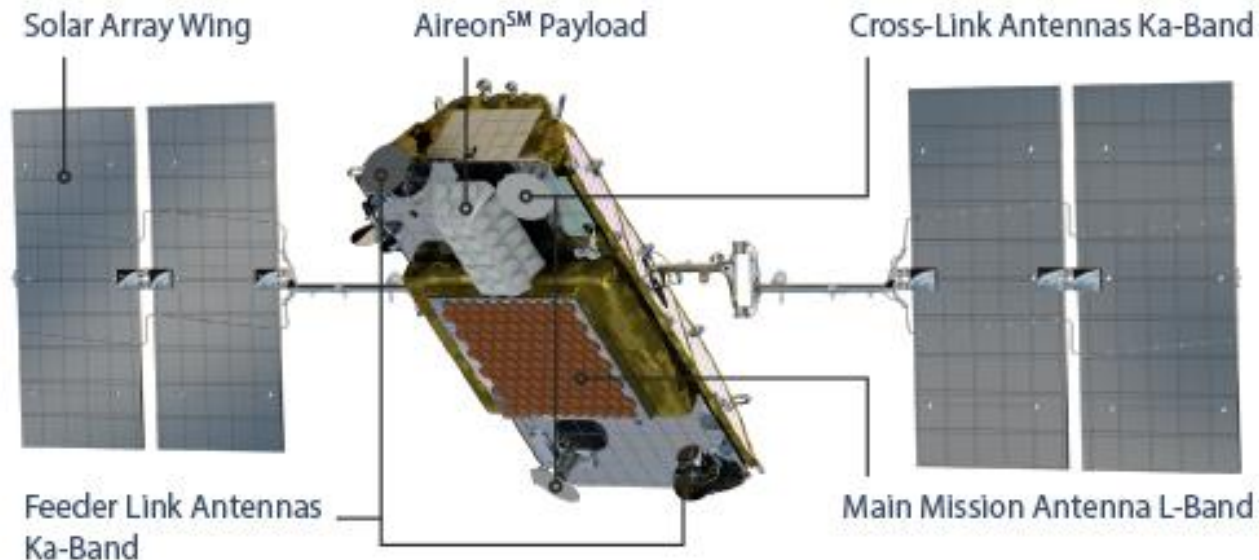
**IAA has two projects related to space-based ADS-B:**

- 1. Evaluate space-based ADS-B for operational use in 5NM and 3NM airspace.**
- 2. Aireon ALERT, a free global service, to provide the last received ADS-B position of aircraft in emergency situations regardless of global location to aviation stakeholders.**

**IAA is part of the Aireon joint venture between Iridium, NAV CANADA, Enav and Naviair, to provide a global solution for tracking and monitoring aircraft anywhere in the world by using space-based ADS-B receivers.**



# Iridium NEXT Satellite



## Iridium NEXT Satellite Specifications

Deployed Wingspan	9.4m
Weight	860 kg (approx.)
Stowed Dimensions	3.1m x 2.4m x 1.5m

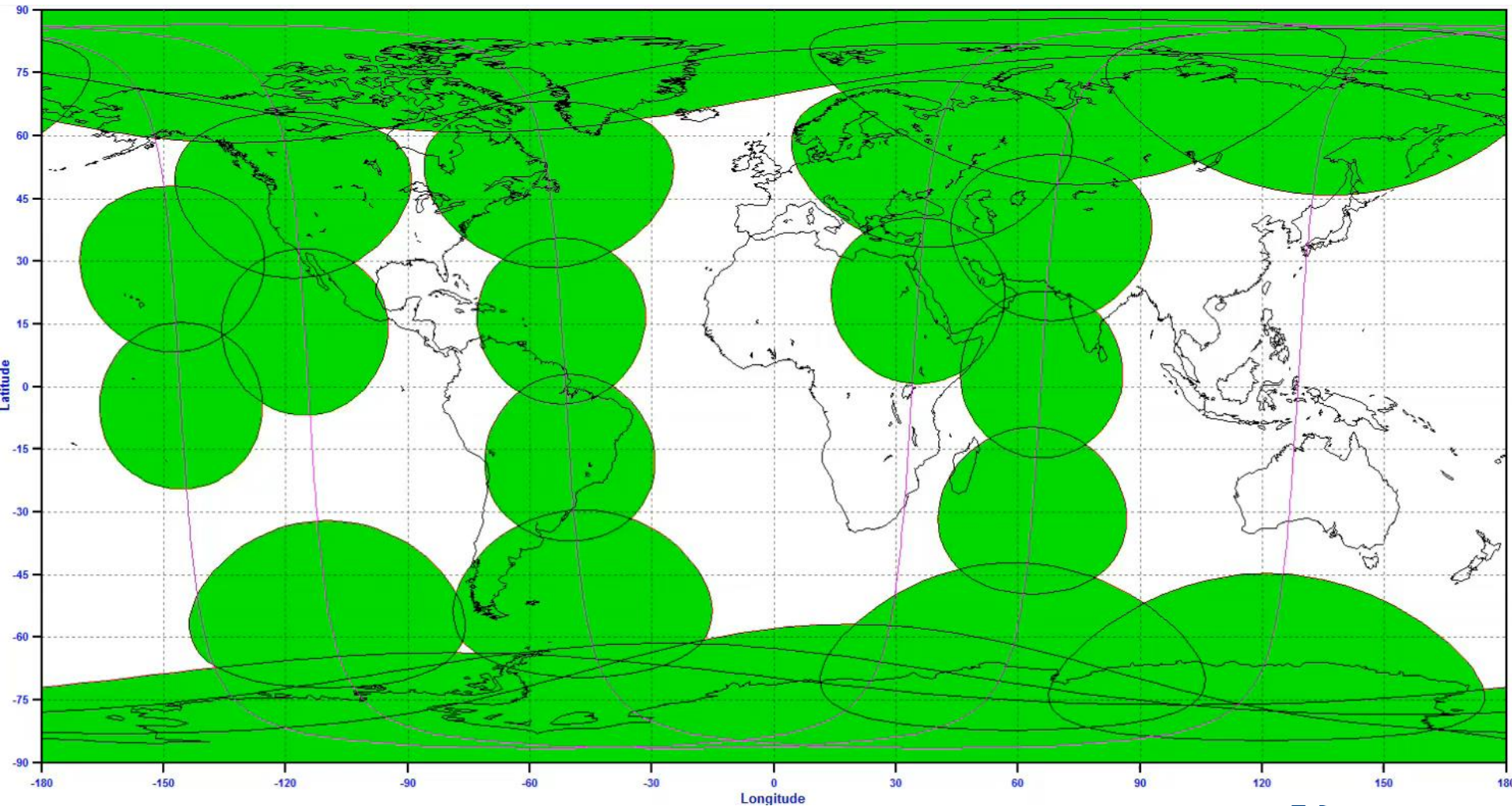
# Orbit Characteristics

- 6 orbital planes of 11 satellites
- Near-polar orbit at 780 km altitude
- Orbit period ~100 minutes
- Ground speed ~24,000 km/h
- Satellite footprint diameter >2000NM
- Aircraft in satellite view < 9m

# SpaceX Iridium NEXT Launch-3



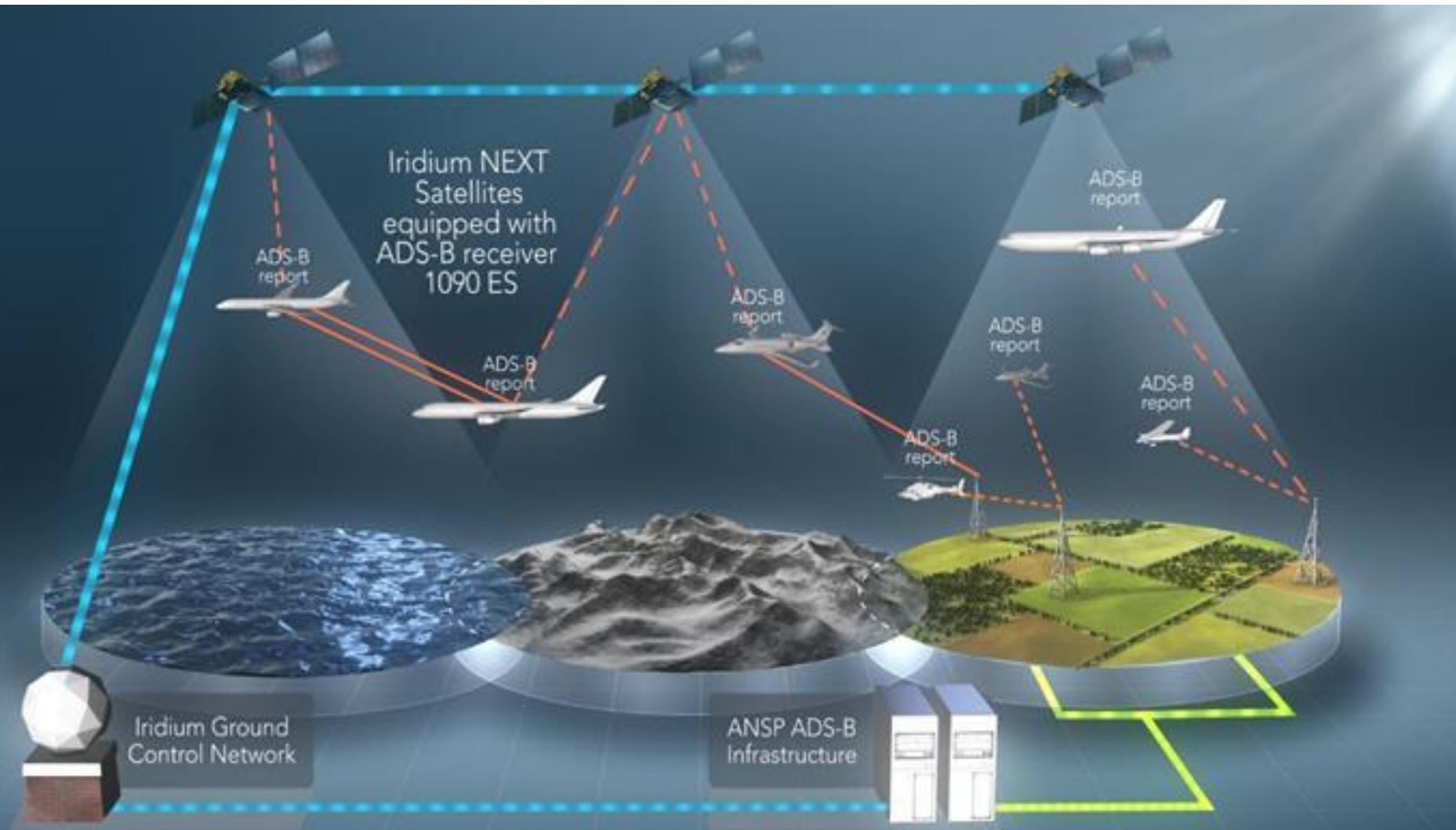
# Current Aireon Coverage



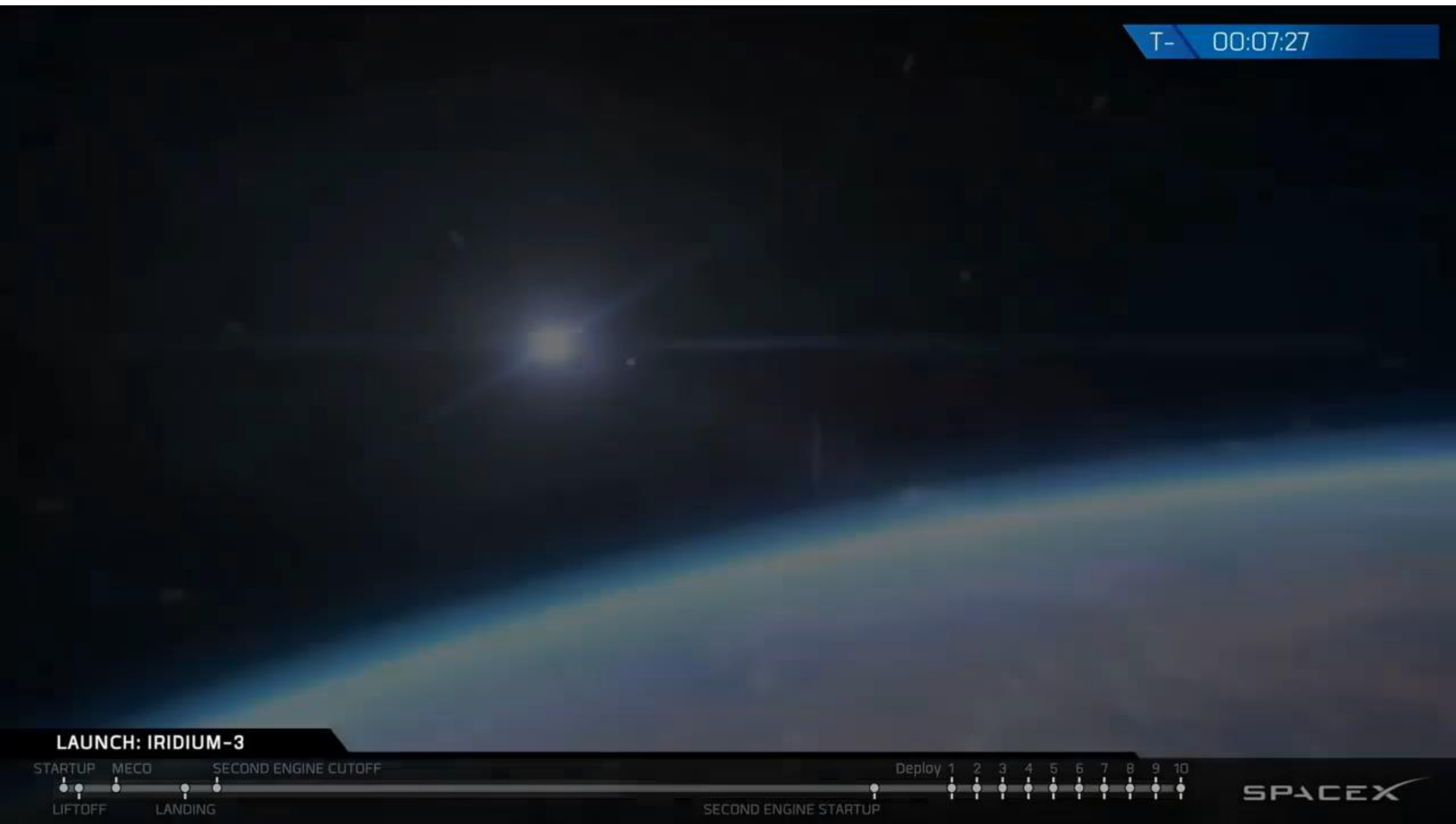
23 Operational Payloads (total of 30 in orbit after 3rd Launch)



# Aireon Concept

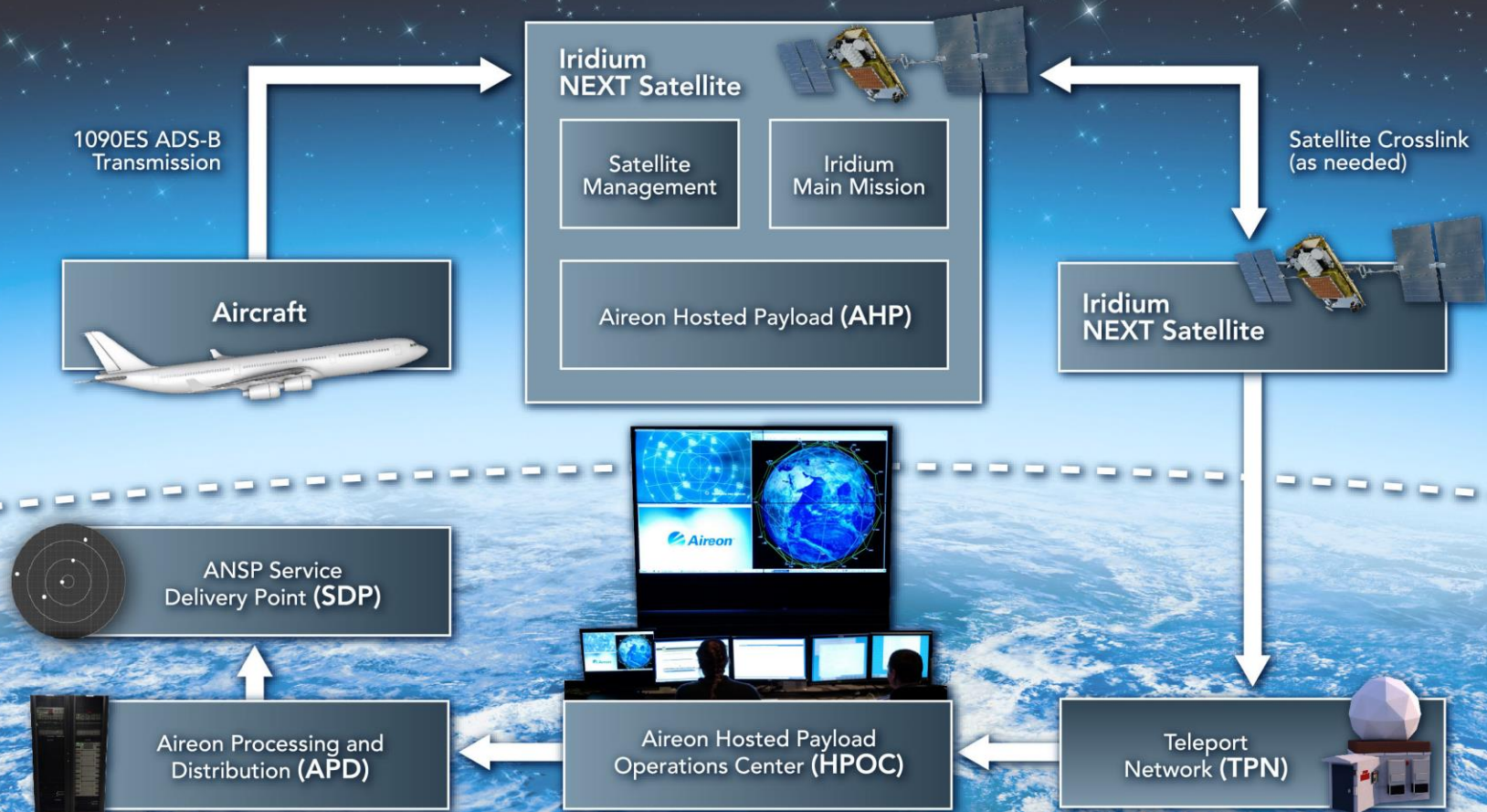


# Iridium NEXT Constellation

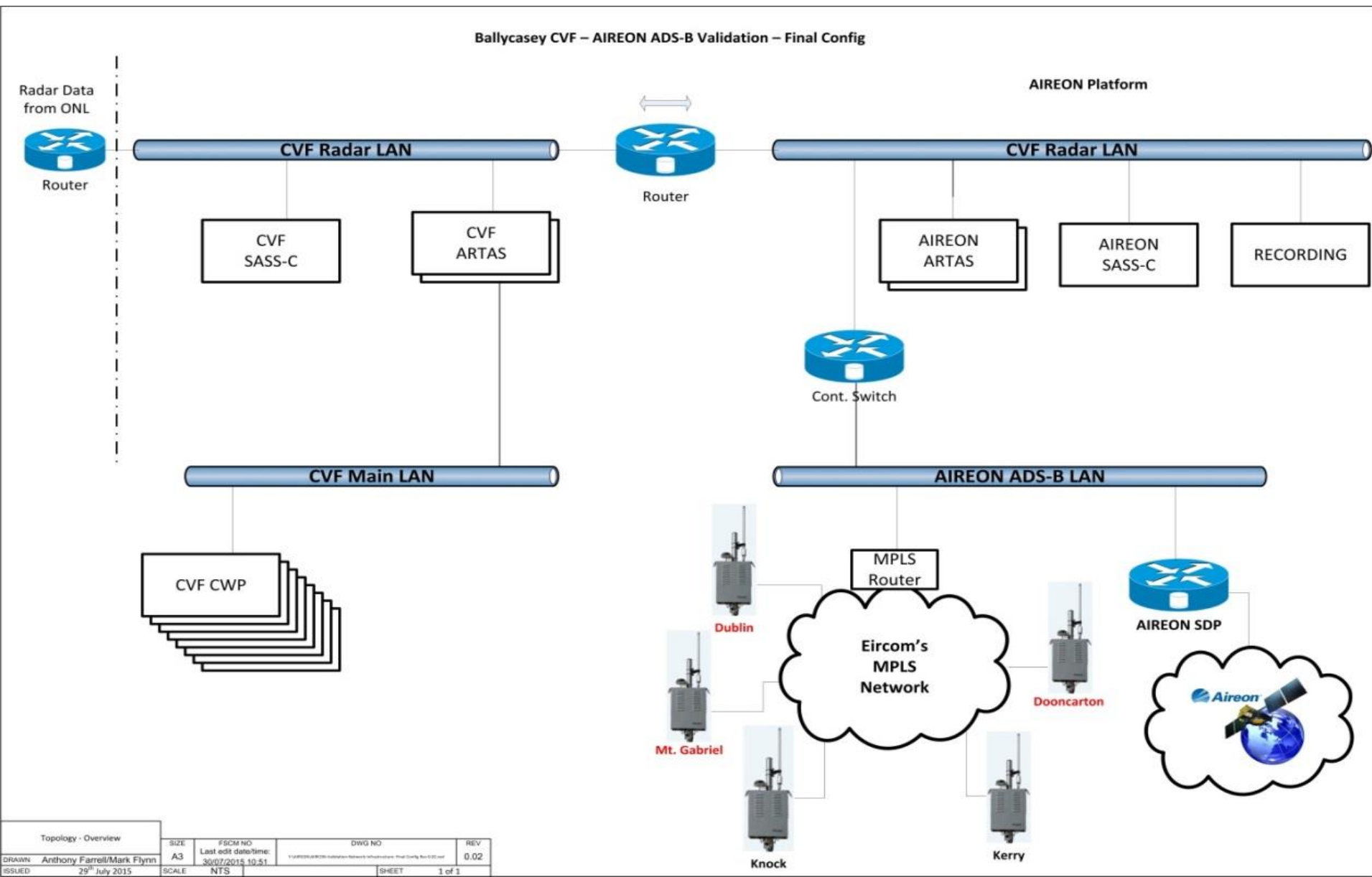




# Aireon System Architecture



# IAA ADS-B Validation Infrastructure



# Aircraft Equipage Requirements

Aircraft avionics must be compliant with RTCA DO-260B/EUROCAE ED-102A (DO-260 are supported)

1. Avionics certified to FAA TSO-C166b or international equivalent
2. Top mounted omni ADS-B antenna
3. ADS-B transponder equipage class is one of the following:

## **Aireon Supported ADS-B Transmitter Classes:**

Transmitter Class	Minimum Transmit Power
A1	125W
A2	125W
A3	200W
B1	125W



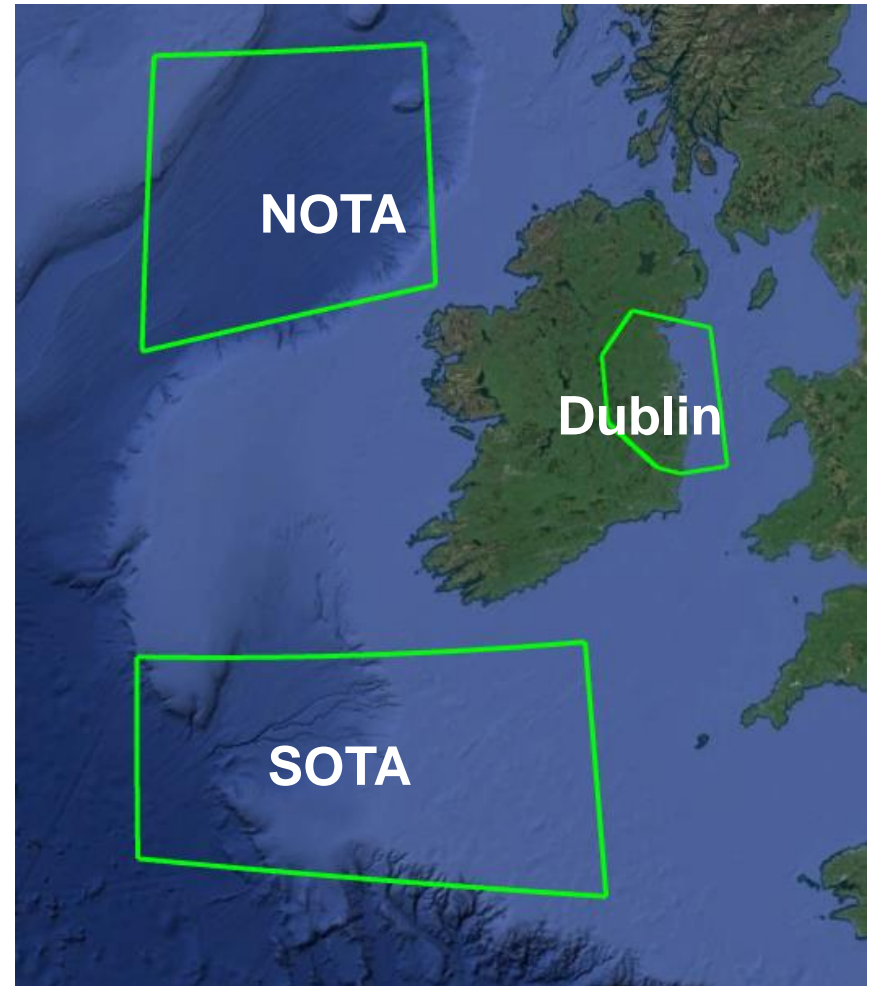
# ADS-B Validation Steps

- Integration of space-based ADS-B into the IAA's ADS-B validation platform (Q3 2017)
- Integration of SOTA, NOTA and Dublin terrestrial ED129B compliant ADS-B sensors. (Q1 2018)
- Using SASS-C measure the ESASSP surveillance performance of "ARTAS with Radar" Vs "ARTAS with radar and space-based ADS-B." (Q1 2018)
- Using SASS-C measure the ESASSP surveillance performance of "ARTAS with radar" Vs "ARTAS with radar and ground ADS-B." (Q2 2018)

# ADS-B Validation Scope

IAA will focus on specific volumes of airspace with Radar, Terrestrial ADS-B and space-based ADS-B coverage.

- Space-based ADS-B for 5NM separation will be evaluated in NOTA and SOTA airspace.
- Space-based ADS-B for 3NM separation will be evaluated in Dublin CTA airspace.





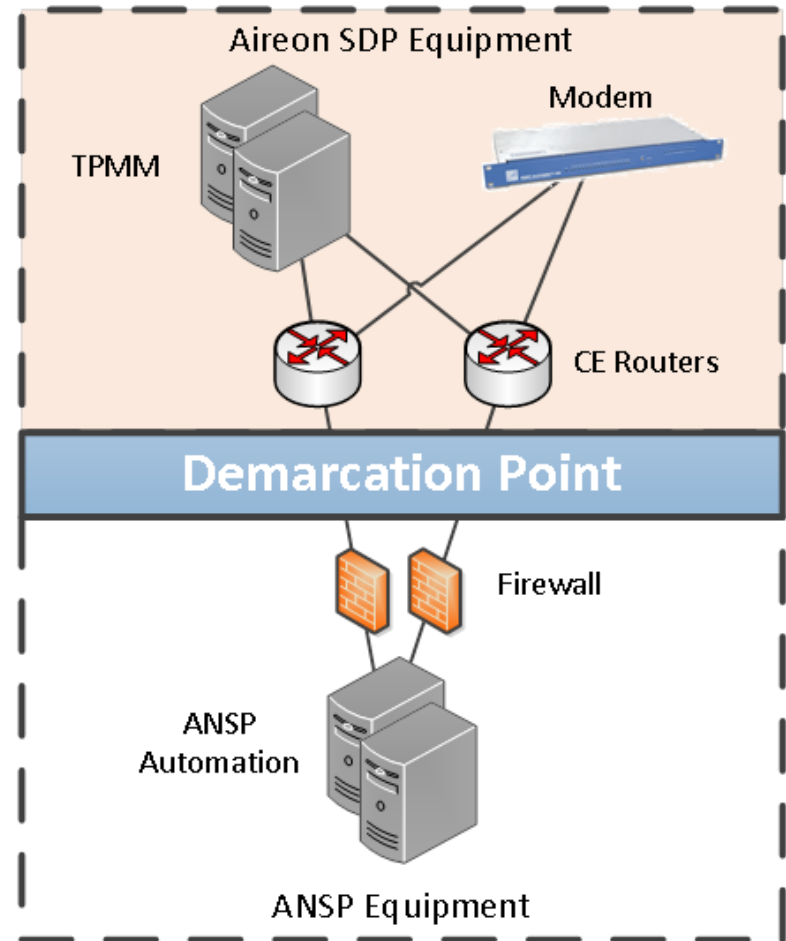
# ADS-B Validation Concepts

- ADS-B augmenting ARTAS, means the ADS-B position report can be used to improve the accuracy of a track initiated by a radar. Initially ADS-B reports are to be used in ARTAS track continuation not ARTAS track initiation.
- Terrestrial ADS-B to augment ARTAS when the addition of terrestrial ADS-B improves the surveillance performance of ARTAS.
- Space-based ADS-B to augment ARTAS when the addition of space-based ADS-B improves the surveillance performance of ARTAS.
- IAA strategy is to always have at least two independent sources of all aircraft positions.
- The introduction of space-based ADS-B as a sole surveillance source can only occur once all aircraft in the FIR are ADS-B capable. (Q3 2020+)



# Aireon Safety Certification

- EASA has confirmed Aireon is a surveillance data service provider rather than a surveillance system.
- Aireon is working to achieve EASA certification.
- Aireon's safety responsibility ends at the output of their service delivery point.



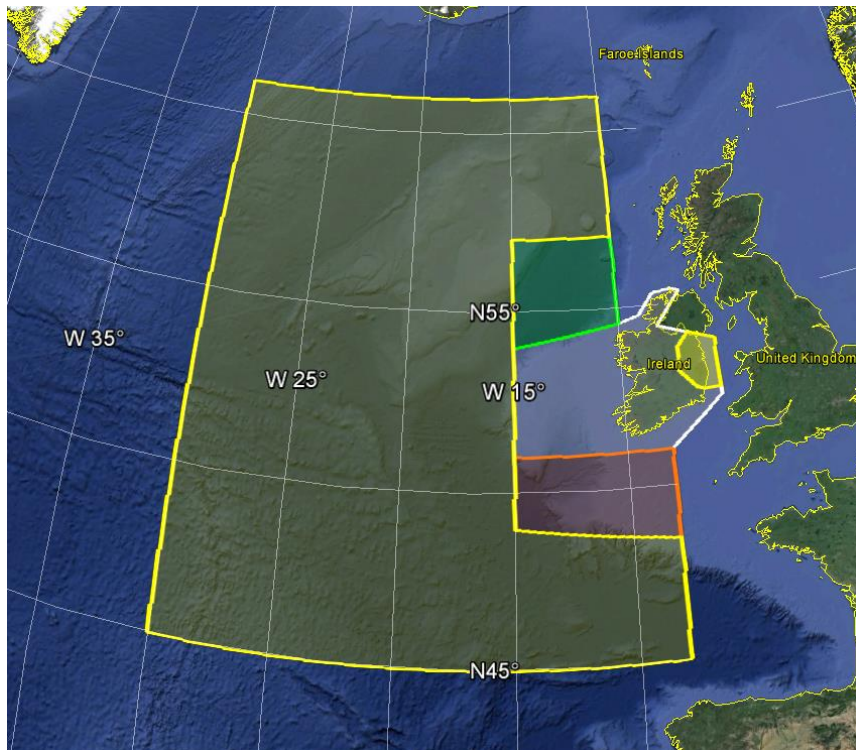
# IAA Space-Based ADS-B Safety Certification

- IAA initially introducing terrestrial ADS-B into operation prior to introducing space-based ADS-B.
- IAA will develop the safety case required for IAA operational use of the Aireon space-based ADS-B data, in the same way we would for the operational use of surveillance data received from another ANSP.
- IAA will carry out ATC controller operational evaluations, and SASS-C technical evaluations to support the safety case for the operational use of space-based ADS-B.

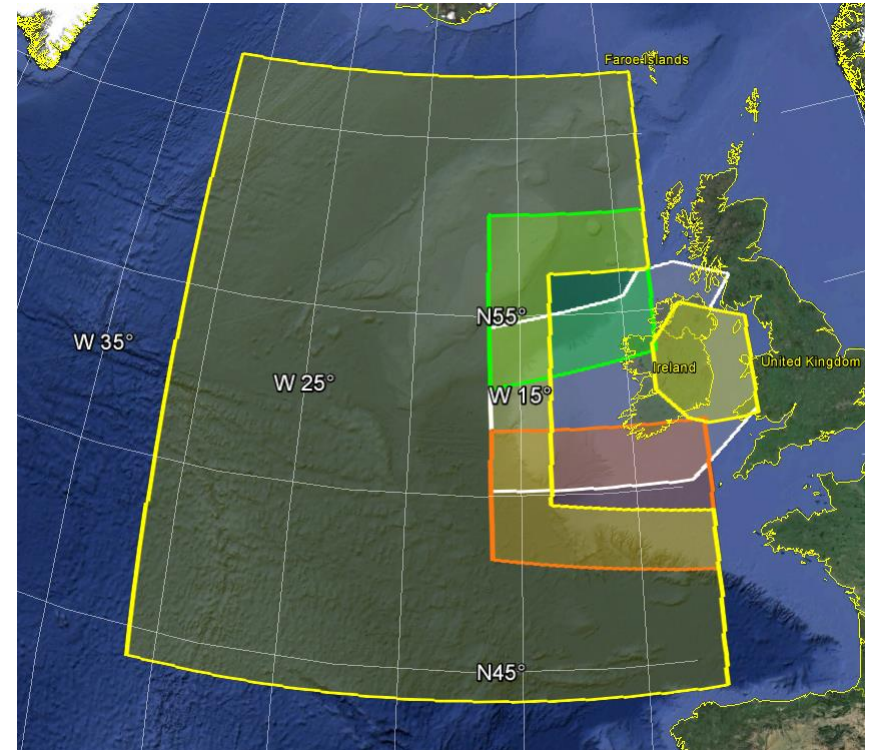
# IAA Aireon Service Volumes

The Geographical scope of IAA Aireon Data is;  
Irish FIR, SOTA, NOTA and SHANWICK & 50Nm buffer.

Original Service Volumes



Buffered Service Volumes

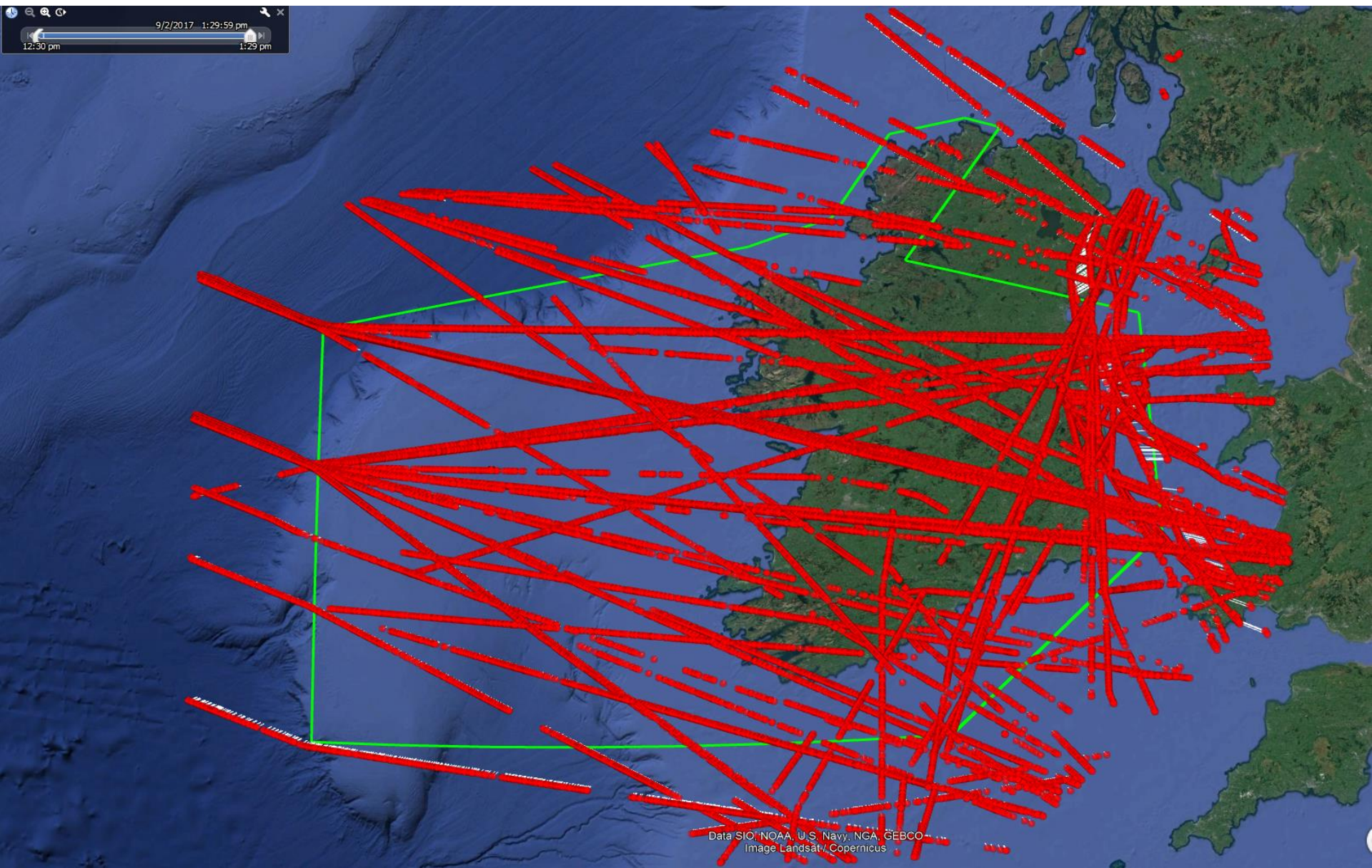


# Aireon ARTAS Interface

- Aireon data is delivered over MPLS connections.
- Aireon ADS-B compliant with EUROCAE ED129B.
- Aireon ADS-B data is ASTERIX Cat 21 Ver 2.4
- IAA has five Aireon service volumes, IAA FIR, NOTA, SOTA, Dublin CTA and Shanwick.
- IAA space-based ADS-B certification will focus on NOTA, SOTA and Dublin CTA service volumes.
- Each service volume has a unique SAC/SIC.
- Each service volume has a virtual Radio, with a defined location and 24bit ICAO address, similar to a radar beacon.

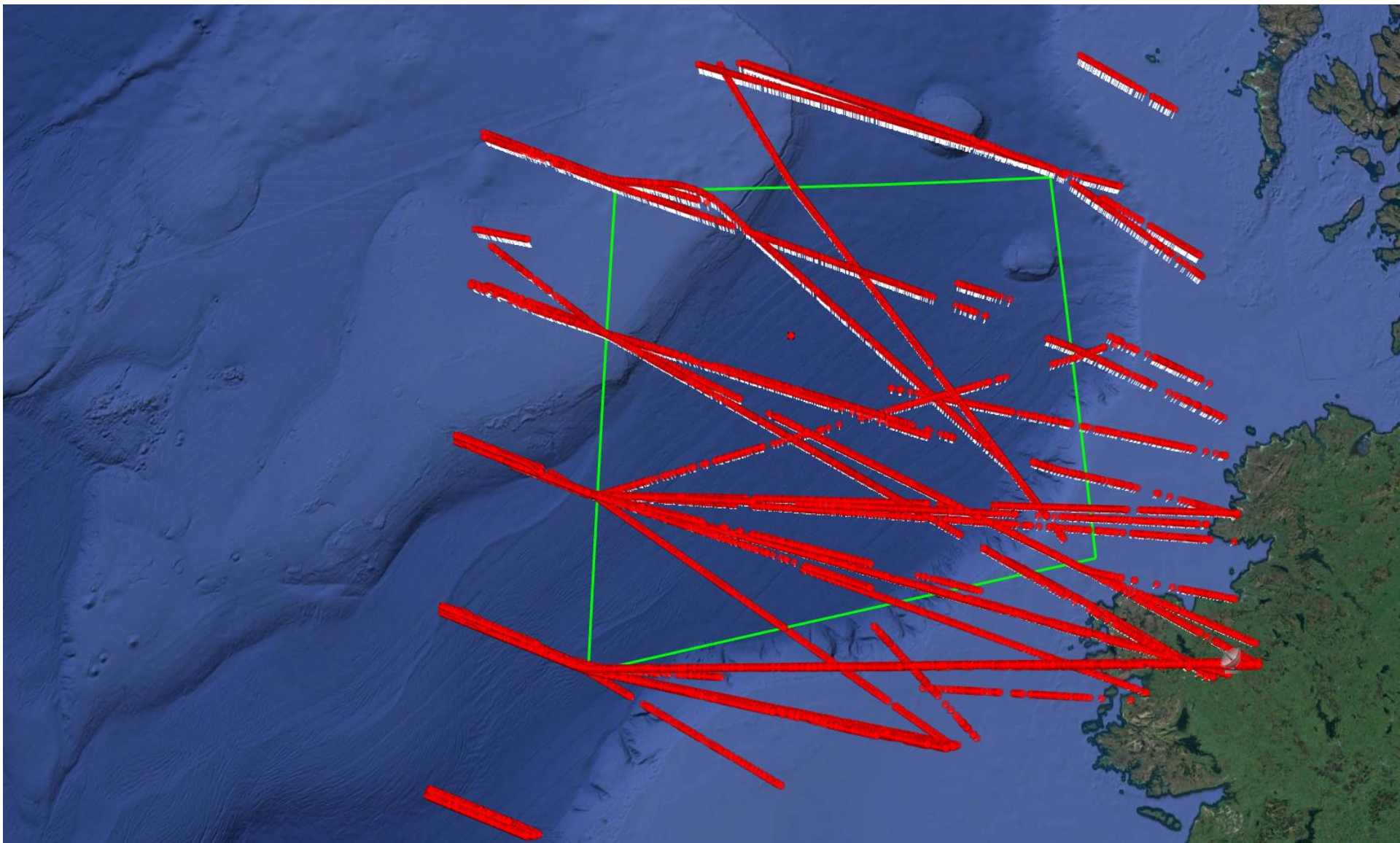


# IAA FIR



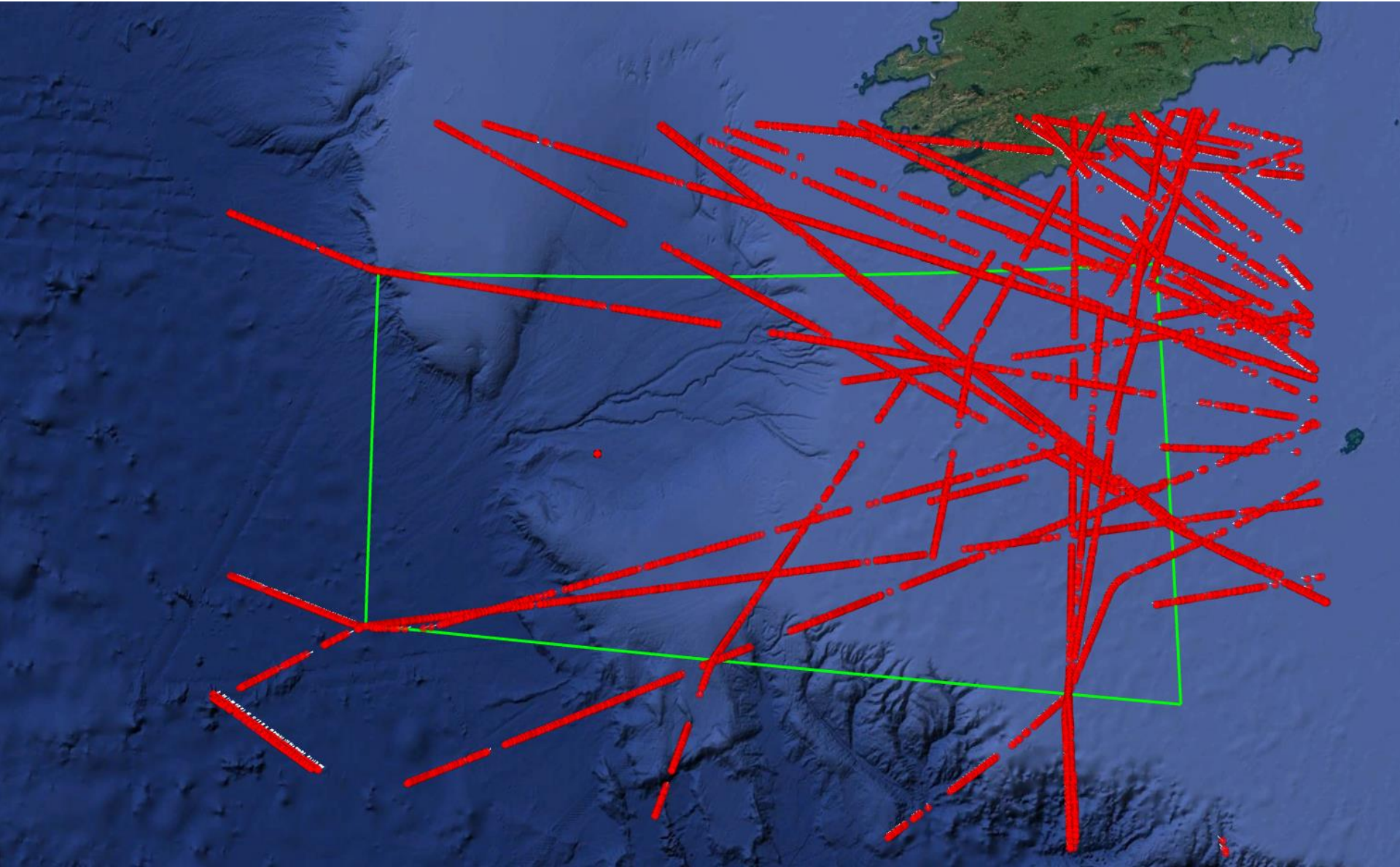


# NOTA



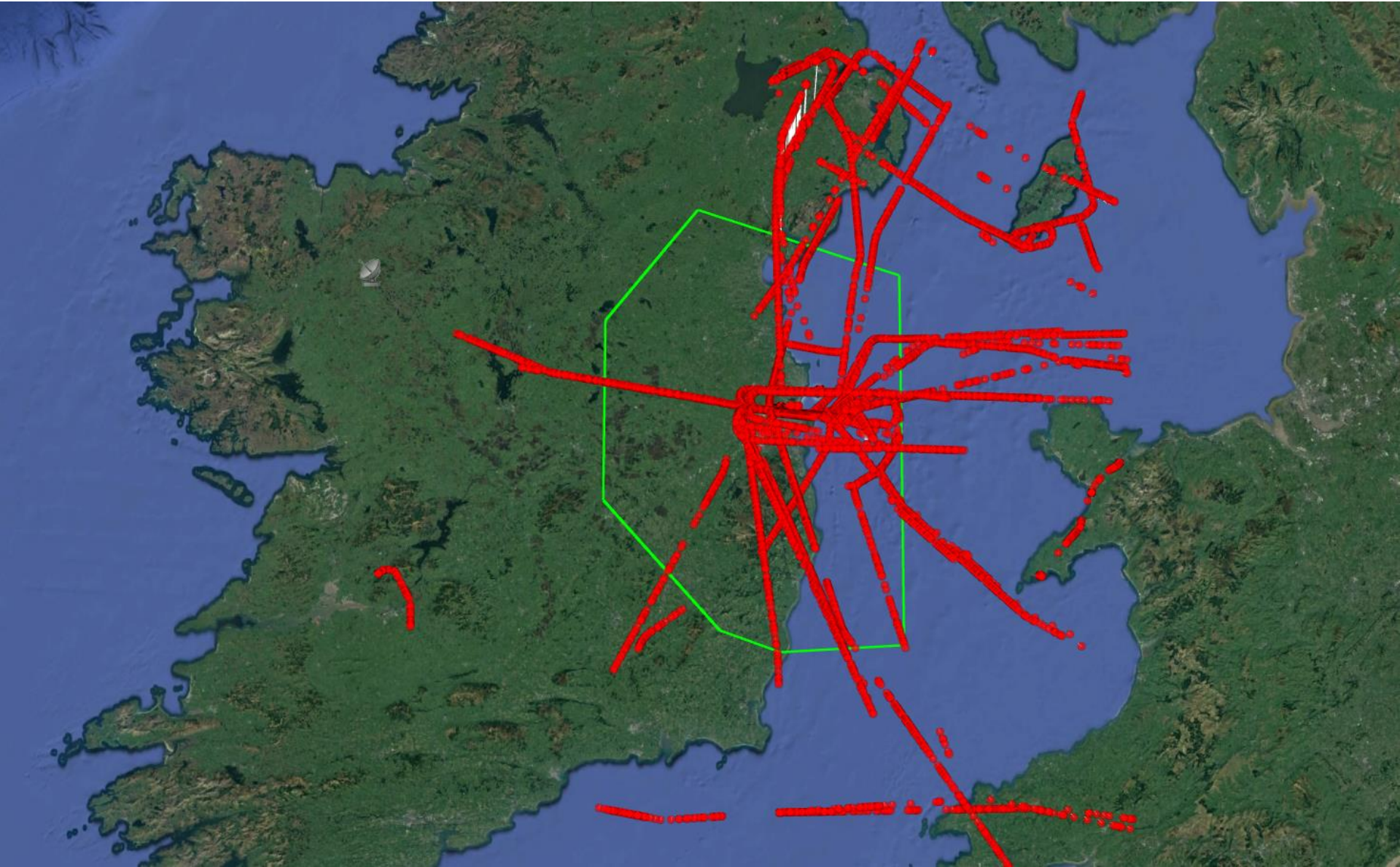


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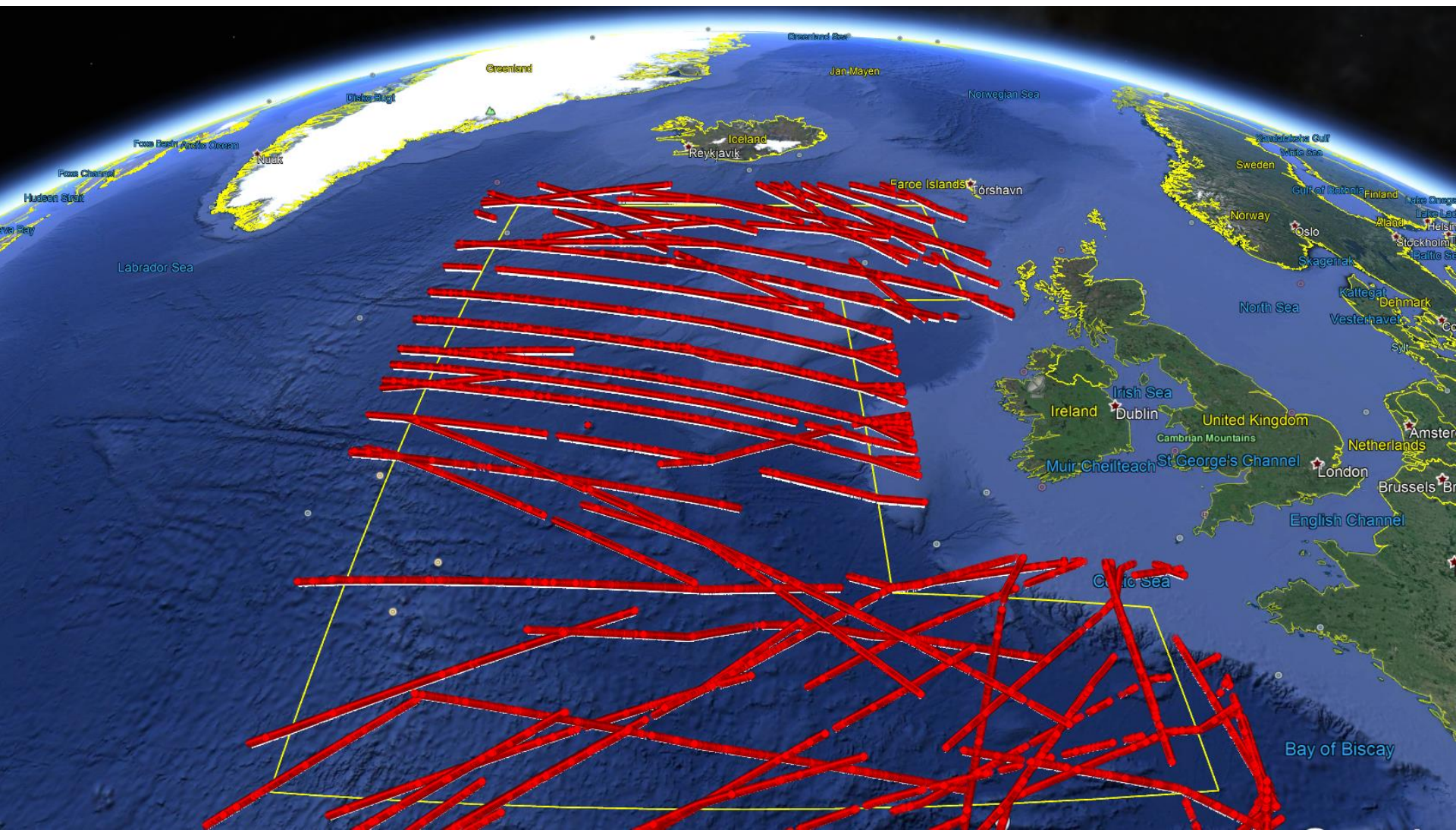


# Dublin



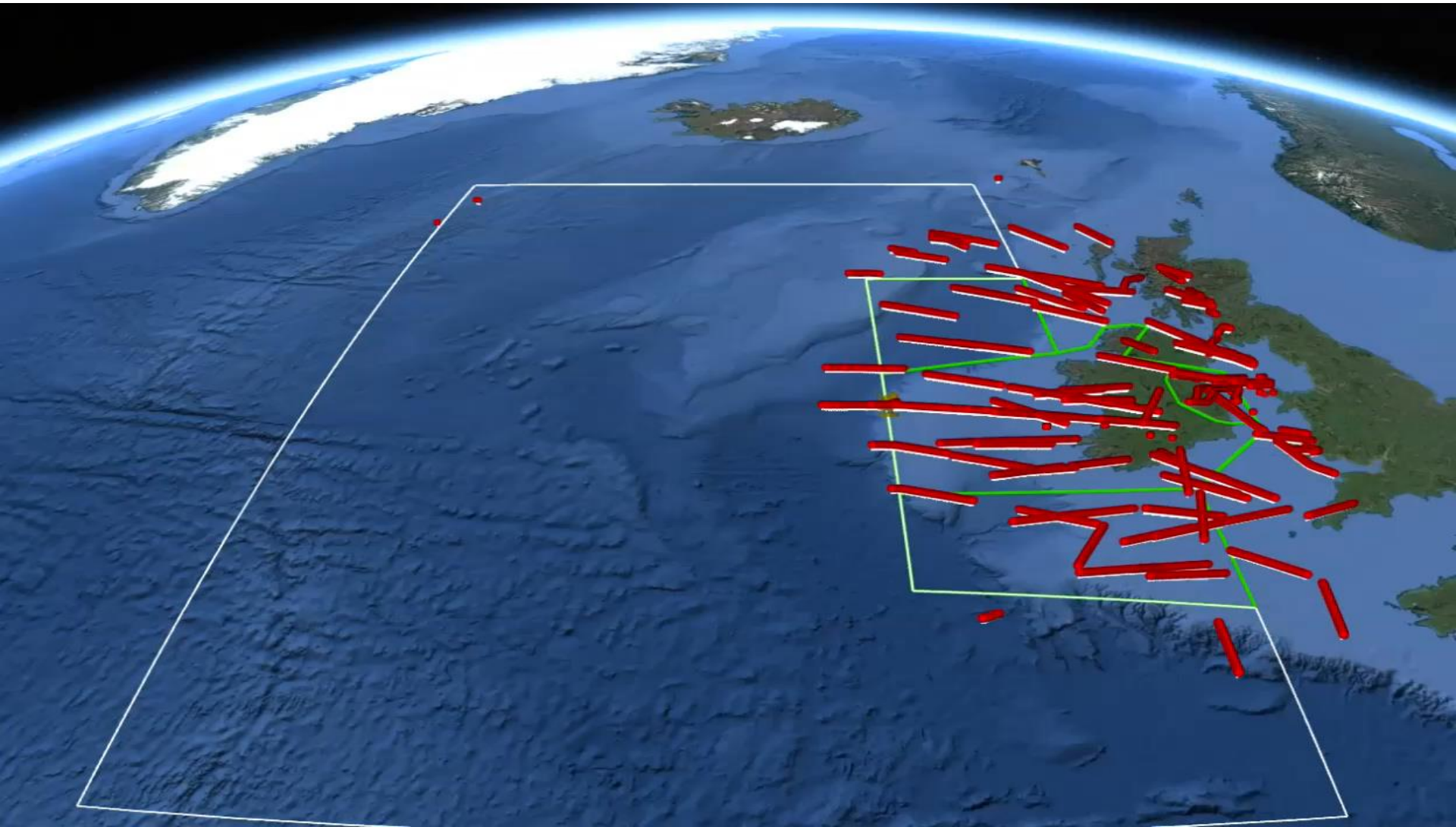


# Shanwick





# ARTAS with Radar and Space-Based ADS-B





## Be Prepared!

Completely free, real-time, global emergency aircraft locating service.  
Available to Air Navigation Service Providers (ANSPs), Aircraft  
Operators, Regulators and Search and Rescue Organizations.

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# How Does Aireon ALERT Work?

Aireon ALERT will utilize Aireon's space-based ADS-B data and will be operated H24/365 by IAA at its North Atlantic Comms Centre in Ireland.





# Why is Aireon ALERT Needed?

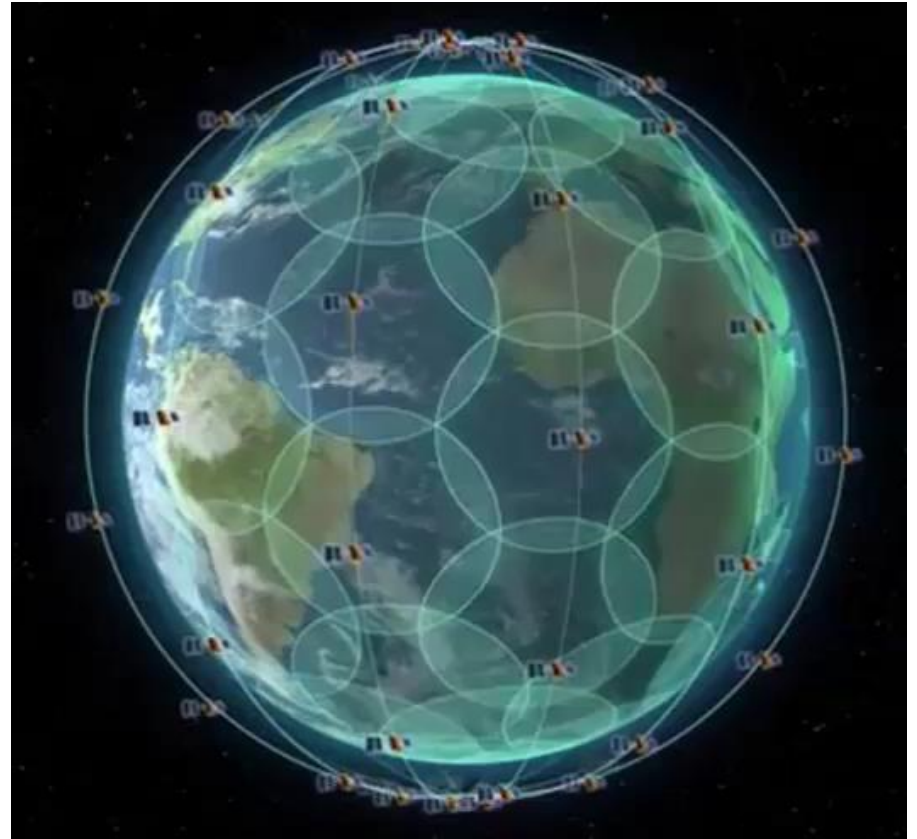


Before the Aireon space-based ADS-B system, real-time aircraft surveillance wasn't possible for remote, oceanic and arctic regions. To accurately know the last reported location of an aircraft is an invaluable asset in emergency situations.

# Who Can Sign up for Aireon ALERT?

- ANSPs
- Aircraft Operators (Airlines)
- Search & Rescue Organizations
- Aviation Regulators

***Aireon ALERT is completely free***



# How Does the Aireon ALERT Service Work?

- In emergency situations where an aircraft cannot be located, a pre-registered ANSP, aircraft operator (airlines), search & rescue organization or aviation regulator can call the Aireon ALERT 24/7 phone number and provide the missing Aircraft's Unique ICAO 24Bit Address (in HEX i.e. 4CA123)
- The Aireon ALERT operator will then locate the last reported position of the aircraft, and if found, will provide that location in WGS84 coordinates to the stakeholder over the phone.
- The Aireon ALERT operator will also email a report of the missing aircraft to the Aviation stakeholder.

# Aireon ALERT Login



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# When will Aireon ALERT be Operational?

- Aireon ALERT will be available once the full constellation of 66 Iridium NEXT satellites hosting the Aireon ADS-B payloads are in orbit and operational.
- It is planned that this will occur in Q4 2018.
- **Pre-registration for Aireon ALERT will commence Q1 2018.**

Aireon ALERT

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Password & Security



Declaration

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