

SME4SPACE

How can SME4SPACE support you

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WHAT IS SME₄SPACE

- An Association of Associations (registered in Belgium)
- Membership of individual SMEs also possible
- Representing 15 European Countries so far, with Members in 23 Countries
- More than 580 SMEs
- MoA with ESA (renewed in Feb. 2019)
- Providing feedback to/from SMEs
- Participating in EU/ESA projects

SME4SPACE MAIN MILESTONES

SME4SPACE launch

On June 2007, during Le Bourget in Paris, ESA Director General J.J. Dordain and SME4SPACE Chairman, Giovanni Sylos Labini, signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA). SME4SPACE is launched, even though still as an informal group.



2007

2011

SME4SPACE incorporation

On 1st July 2011, SME4SPACE is incorporated as not-for-profit organization under the Belgian law.

New MoA with ESA

During the 2016 Industry Space Days, SME4SPACE and ESA signed a new Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) in order to support the ESA SME industrial policy.



2016

2019

SME4SPACE is the representative SME organisation

SME4SPACE is fully involved in all space related tables and discussions both at ESA and European Commission level, providing information and support to its members and SME network. MoA renewed with ESA for further 33 years.

SME₄SPACE MEMBERS EVOLUTION 2007 (Launch of the informal group)



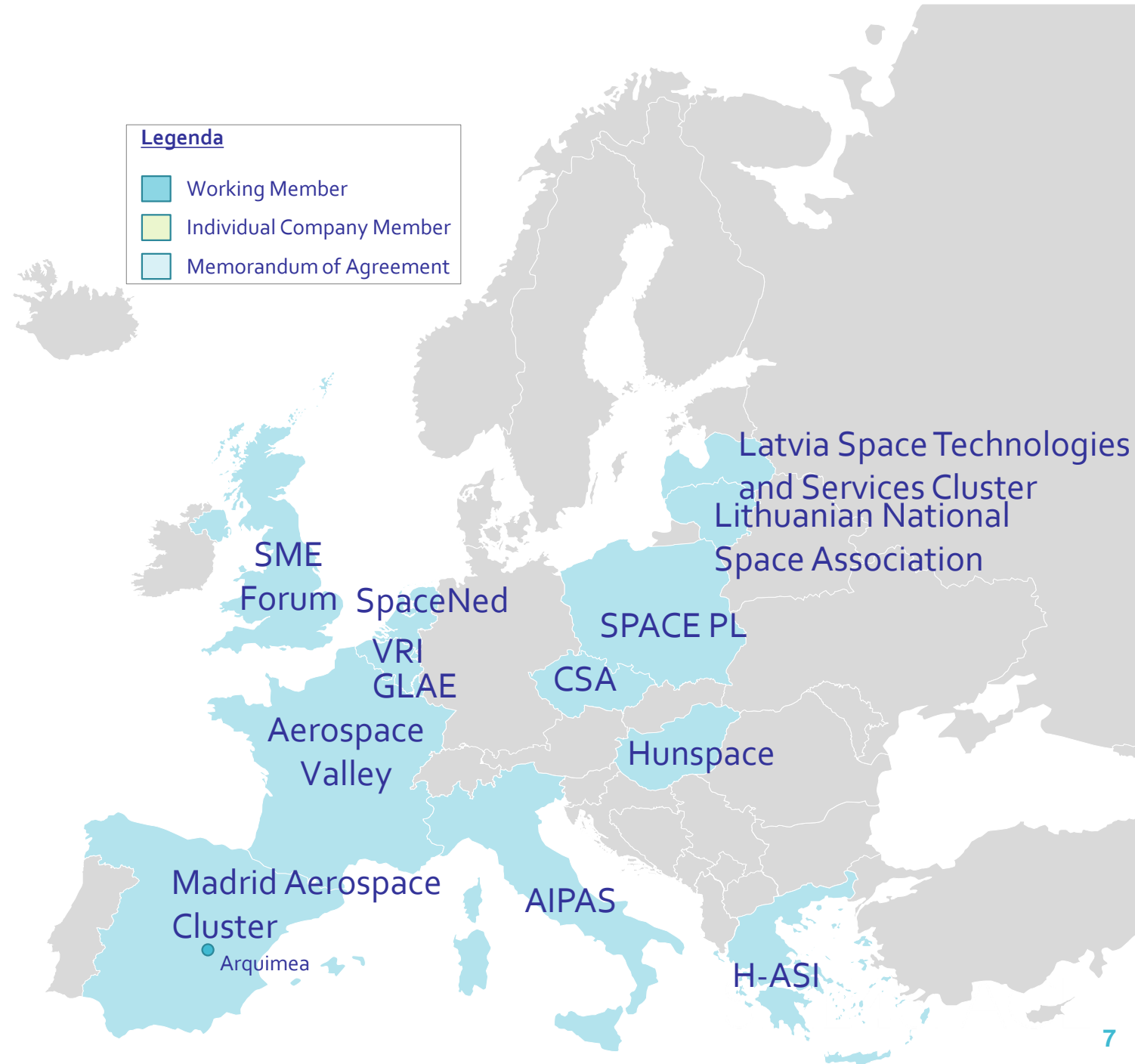
SME₄SPACE MEMBERS EVOLUTION 2011 (incorporation as Belgian not- for-profit organisation)



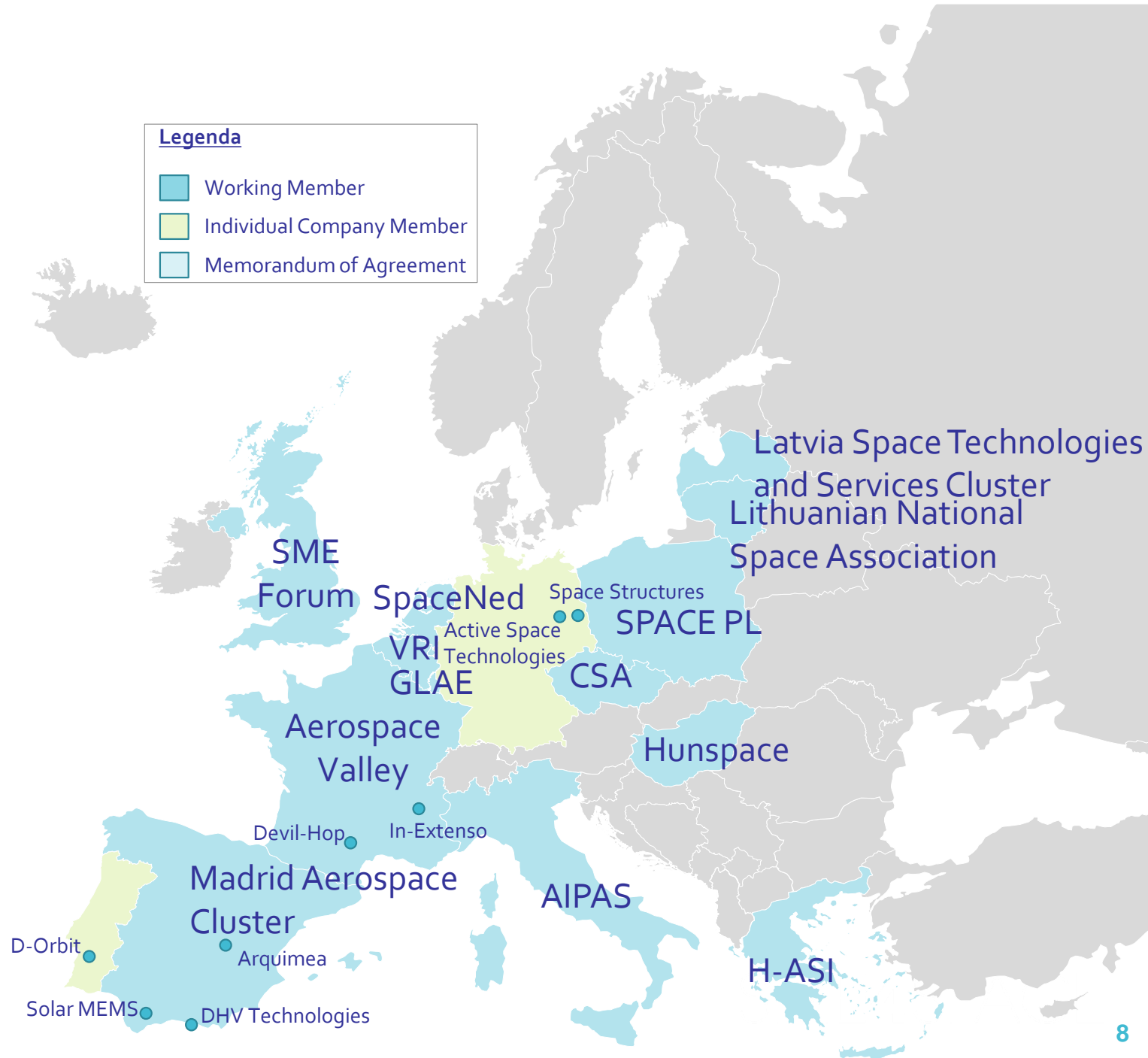
SME₄SPACE MEMBERS EVOLUTION 2012



SME₄SPACE MEMBERS EVOLUTION 2014



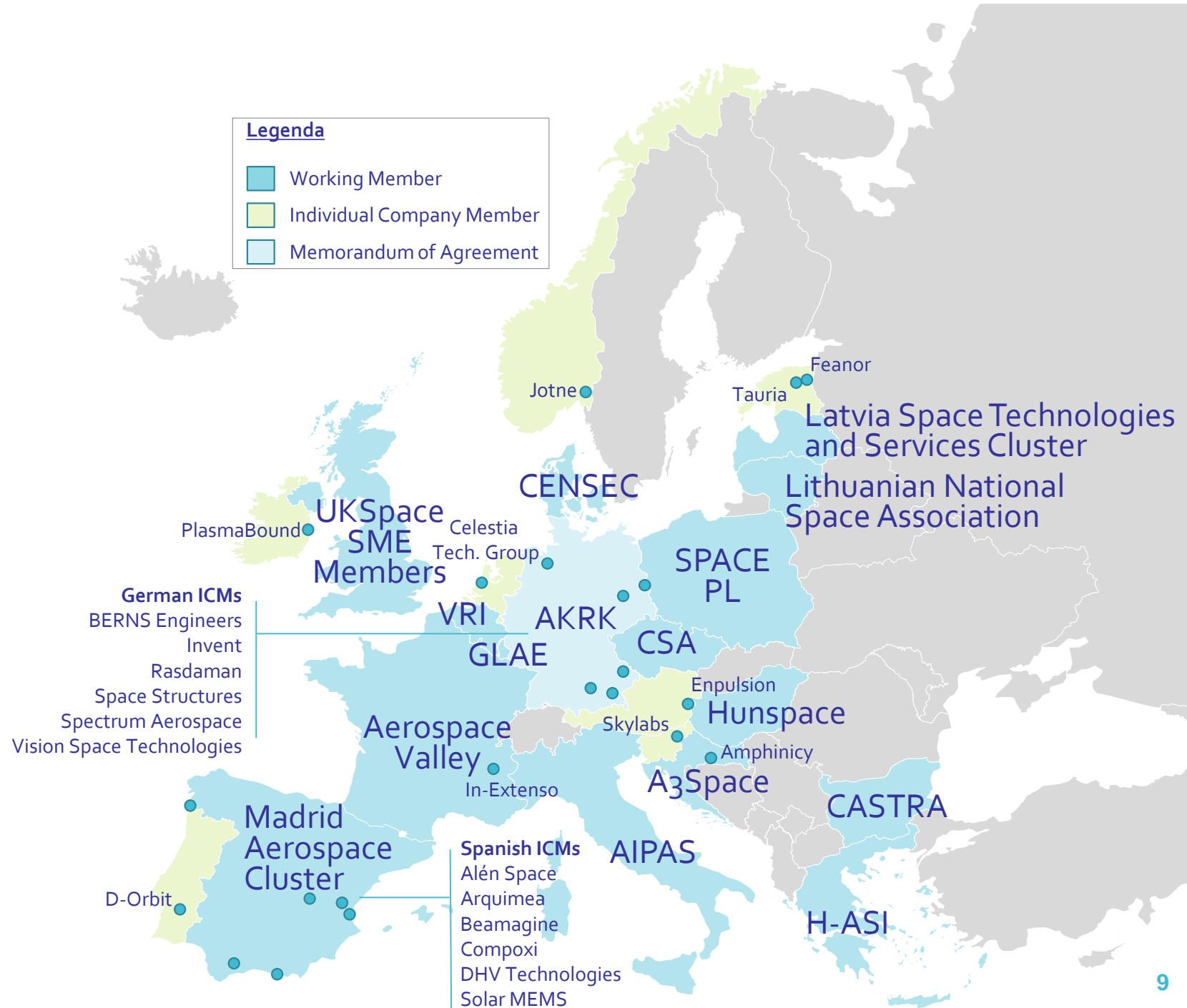
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SME₄SPACE FOOTPRINT IN EUROPE

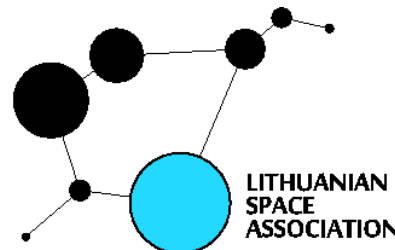
2019

* Collaboration
with AKRK (DE)
The Space SME
working group
within DLR



SME4SPACE MEMBERS:

Working Members



SME4SPACE MEMBERS:

Individual Company Members



SME₄SPACE MISSION

- Defining and defending common Space SMEs positions;
- Representing the European Space SMEs towards public authorities i.e. the European Space Agency, the European Union and its related agencies;
- Organizing seminars and information sessions;
- Organizing a network of SMEs to foster cooperation;
- Promoting the networking and cooperation of SMEs with research centres and institutions;
- Carrying out research projects, participating in national, European and international projects in space and related activities.

SME₄SPACE ACTIVITIES FOR THE BENEFIT OF EUROPEAN SPACE SMES

- Supporting ESA in involving European and Canadian SMEs in the Harmonisation process
- Supporting ESA SME Office for the implementation of the ESA SME industrial policy
- SME representative in Industry High Level Forum
- SME representative in negotiations on model sub-contract
- SME₄SPACE Position Paper on European Commission 2021-2027 Multi-Annual Financial Framework (MFF 2021-2027)
- Participation in the Stakeholders Platform on Space R&I and in the drafting process of the SRIA for Horizon Europe EC framework Program
- Different surveys and market analysis on:
 - SMEs training needs
 - Possible mechanisms to financed well-evaluated, but not funded H2020 proposals. On going survey whose intermediate results have been presented during IAC 2018 in Bremen:
ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/SpaceProposalsH2020
 - ...
- Participation in research projects H2020

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Thank you
for your attention!