

## Proposal for Forming an IAA Study Group : S 4.3

**Title of Study:**

Small Satellites Missions for Earth Observation

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**Primary IAA Commission Preference: IV, Space Systems Operations and Utilization**

**Secondary IAA Commission Interests: III, Space Technology and Systems Development**

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**Short Description of Scope of Study**

**Overall Goal:**

Describe the user requirements and expectations, the current status, and possible approaches to improve the current situation.

**Intermediate Goals:**

Inform decision makers, scientists, engineers and managers about current situation and approaches for improvement.

**Methodology:**

To be defined.

**Time Line:**

Draft IAC 2002

Final paper IAC 2003

**Final Product (Report, Publication, etc.):**

Report to be published in Acta Astronautica

**Target Community:**

Decision makers, managers, scientists, engineers involved or interested in Low-Cost Earth Observation Missions.

**Support Needed:**

**Potential Sponsors:**

Space entities of less industrialized countries, universities.

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**Comments :**

The Study Group is expected to provide progress status and final organization at the Academy Day, September 30, 2001 in Toulouse.

**Last modification :**