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SPACE ENTREPRENEURSHIP IN IRAN

Abstract

Iran can be figured out as a developing country in Space Technology and with a number of satellites and in-house capability to launch, and also different points of applications, it seems it is the time to think of Space Economy. As many technology development programs, most of governmentally supported or funded projects in Iran are not economically investigated to end in profit, or the profit has not the usual form of earning money, however, this is not the same these days and getting into Space Business is also supported by the government. This paper is going to present a report on recent activities to start, help, guide, improve and take the benefit of Entrepreneurship in Space Technology and Applications. The report overview on the startups and small businesses that have been formed recently and a short history on them with an analysis on the trend that they have passed. The efforts and effects of supportive GOs and NGOs are studied, too, in order to show a somehow clear path to start a Space Business up in Iran. Data analysis also remarks the possible investment areas for interested VCs to enter Iranian Space Technology and Applications market and overview pros and cons, in brief.