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## THE FIRST STEPS OF THE SPACEPORT IN PERU: TOWARDS CONSOLIDATION AS THE LARGEST IN SOUTH AMERICA

## Abstract

Thanks to extensive national and international research efforts and the backing of the United States, Peru has received approval for constructing a spaceport. Ratified in December 2023 within the Multiannual Investment Report in Public-Private Partnerships (IMIAPP) by the Ministry of Defense and the Peruvian Air Force (FAP), the initiative leverages Peru's equatorial location for efficient rocket and satellite launches. This study evaluates decisions by these entities, particularly focusing on the selection of Talara's "El Pato" Air Base and an investment exceeding 300million. Research indicates Piura's spaceport could become South Ameri