**Vít Pavelec is the new head of OHB Czechspace**

**Czechia, Brno, March 14, 2023 - Vít Pavelec is the new Managing Director of OHB Czechspace since March 2023. He succeeds the founding director Ariane Wyen, who will continue to work for the OHB Group. Vít Pavelec has over twenty years of experience in the leadership positions within several international companies, mainly in the aerospace industry. He aims to focus on further development of OHB Czechspace and the launch of its own products for the satellite and launch vehicle market.**

*"One of our priorities this year is to successfully complete the preliminary phase of the Czech satellite mission SOVA. Our ambition is to become the first integrator of complete satellite systems in the Czech Republic,"* said Pavelec.

Vít Pavelec joins the company from AERO Vodochody Aerospace, where he served as Senior Director for Customer Solutions and Support. Prior to that, he worked for over five years as  
a Regional Sales Manager for Europe at Bell Helicopter. From 2006 to 2014, he was with Honeywell International where he was responsible for technology transfers, transformation projects and product strategy for the Europe, Middle East, Africa, and India regions. From 2002 to 2006, he founded and led the Cromwell Group's branch in the Czech Republic and Slovakia.

Pavelec graduated from the Air Traffic Management at the Czech Technical University in Prague, and he studied the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University in Chicago. In addition to his passion for the aerospace industry, he enjoys mountain bike and swimming. He is married and has three children.

Based in Brno, OHB Czechspace is one of the leading aerospace companies in the Czech Republic. It supplies spacecraft structures, satellite adapters and their ground support equipment. It focuses on their development, design, verification, procurement and assembly, mechanical testing, and other related tasks. The company has been part of the independent European technology group OHB SE since 2018. The company's customers are private companies and space agencies, primarily the European Space Agency (ESA).

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