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00:00:00,506 --> 00:00:03,906
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00:00:04,406 --> 00:00:05,796
NASA Glenn Research Center

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00:00:05,796 --> 00:00:08,076
and Harris Corporation
have developed,

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00:00:08,246 --> 00:00:09,396
in a collaborative effort,

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00:00:10,076 --> 00:00:13,096
the R&D 100 award-winning
product known

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00:00:13,146 --> 00:00:17,946
as the NASA/Harris Ka-Band
software-defined radio or SDR.

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00:00:19,266 --> 00:00:22,486
This new technology enables
researchers to develop,

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00:00:22,676 --> 00:00:26,206
test and demonstrate advanced
communications, networking,

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00:00:26,206 --> 00:00:30,096
and navigation technologies in
a dynamic space environment.

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00:00:31,216 --> 00:00:35,626
This is truly the first Ka-Band
software-defined radio operating

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00:00:35,626 --> 00:00:35,996
in space.

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The major benefit of this SDR is that the radio functionality is

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in the software, rather than in fixed hardware.

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As a result, the radio can be reconfigured,

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by uploading new software, after launch

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to accommodate changing mission needs.

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00:00:52,526 --> 00:00:55,686

This SDR was integrated into the Space Communications

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and Navigation, or SCaN Testbed,

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00:00:58,426 --> 00:01:00,646

by a team at the NASA Glenn Research Center

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00:01:00,646 --> 00:01:01,526

in Cleveland Ohio.

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00:01:01,886 --> 00:01:04,136

The SCaN testbed was launched

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00:01:04,276 --> 00:01:07,576

to the International Space
Station in July 2012.

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It operates from
the exterior truss

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00:01:10,376 --> 00:01:12,696

of the International Space
Station and is the key

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00:01:12,786 --> 00:01:14,946

to operating an experiments
program

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00:01:14,946 --> 00:01:18,416

that expands in-space
communications, navigation,

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00:01:18,476 --> 00:01:20,046

and networking capabilities.

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00:01:21,166 --> 00:01:24,616

The NASA/Harris SDR and Space
Telecommunications Radio

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00:01:24,616 --> 00:01:26,986

Standard led to the development

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00:01:26,986 --> 00:01:29,266

of the Harris AppSTAR
space platform.

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00:01:29,446 --> 00:01:33,566

This commercial success is
the basis for future products,

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00:01:33,816 --> 00:01:35,946

all using the digital
signal hardware

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00:01:35,946 --> 00:01:38,756
and software originally
developed for NASA.

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00:01:40,596 --> 00:01:44,036
NASA is entering a new and
exciting era of collaboration

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00:01:44,036 --> 00:01:45,886
with industry and
academic partners.

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00:01:46,646 --> 00:01:48,306
Many experiments
have been completed,

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00:01:48,306 --> 00:01:49,336
and others are underway.

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00:01:50,176 --> 00:01:53,046
There are still opportunities
to partner with NASA to develop

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00:01:53,046 --> 00:01:56,256
and carry out research
using SDR technologies

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00:01:56,566 --> 00:01:58,976
in the SCaN Testbed.

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00:01:59,076 --> 00:02:00,906
Whether on Earth or in space,

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00:02:02,116 --> 00:02:07,346
the 2013 R&D 100 award-winning
NASA/Harris Ka-Band

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software-defined radio
is providing solutions

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to complex communications,
networking,