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Spacewalkers work on a cosmic particle detector

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More potential partners to transport payloads
to the Moon...

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And a key finding on a Jovian moon ... a few
of the stories to tell you about – This

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Week at NASA!

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On Nov. 22, our Andrew Morgan and the European
Space Agency's Luca Parmitano were back

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outside the International Space Station for
their second spacewalk in as many weeks – working

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to repair a cosmic particle detector called
the Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer, or AMS.

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The main focus of this outing was to perform
bypass surgery, of sorts, by accessing, cutting,

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and labeling the stainless steel tubes that
attach the current cooling system to the AMS,

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so that a new system can be attached off to
the side of the AMS.

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This extremely complex series of spacewalks has called for the design, development, and

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validation of many specialized tools by engineers and astronauts here on Earth.

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On Nov. 18, we announced five American companies have been added to the pool of vendors eligible

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to bid on proposals to provide deliveries to the surface of the Moon through the agency's

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Commercial Lunar Payload Services, or CLPS initiative.

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The additions of Blue Origin, Ceres Robotics, Sierra Nevada Corporation, SpaceX, and Tyvak

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Nano-Satellite Systems Inc. increase the number of contracted CLPS participants to 14.

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It also further expands NASA's work with U.S. industry to build a strong marketplace

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for delivery of payloads between Earth and the Moon, in support of our Artemis program's

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efforts to put the first woman and next man on the Moon by 2024.

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For more about CLPS, visit nasa.gov/clps.

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There is previous evidence of liquid water under the icy surface of Jupiter's moon

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Europa that may sometimes erupt as plumes sent into space from huge geysers.

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But no one has been able to confirm the presence of water in these plumes by directly measuring

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the water molecule itself.

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Now, an international research team led out of our Goddard Space Flight Center has detected

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the water vapor for the first time above Europa's surface.

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This confirmation of water vapor above Europa helps scientists better understand the inner

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workings of the moon and supports their belief that a liquid water ocean, possibly twice

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as big as Earth's, is present beneath the moon's miles-thick ice shell.

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Our Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena,

California is developing a robotic explorer

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that could turn the search for life upside
down on icy worlds like Jupiter's moon Europa

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– that are believed to have liquid water
below their surfaces.

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The Buoyant Rover for Under-Ice Exploration
can explore below icy waters by driving on

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the underside of sea ice, and has been tested
previously in Alaska and the Arctic.

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The rover, which carries several science instruments
to measure parameters related to life as we

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know it on Earth, is now on a month-long campaign
in Antarctica to test its endurance.

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NASA's Europa Clipper mission – targeted
for launch in 2025 – could lay the groundwork

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for a future mission to search for life beneath
the icy surface of Europa.

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Our aeronautics research in quiet supersonic
flight, urban air mobility, electrified aircraft

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propulsion, advanced air traffic management

and more was in the spotlight during a Nov.

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20 "Flight Night" event on Capitol Hill.

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The congressional event featured interactive exhibits and presentations that illustrate

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how work by NASA supports a key economic sector for the nation, and leads to advancements

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that help make the aviation industry better equipped to safely and efficiently transport

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passengers and cargo to destinations around the world.

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That's what's up this week @NASA ...