

## Space Foundation Space Business Forum New York, NY - Wednesday, 18 June 2008

Here are a set of tweets that were twittered by me for this meeting. Although some editing has been done to correct errors that could lead to confusion, these tweets are shown here in their original, raw tweet form. You should actually read this set of tweets from the bottom up.

- #newspace notes: SS2 will use nitrous oxide/HTPB hybrid propulsion system, similar to that used on SS1.
- #newspace notes: stay tuned for VG space tours, VG science services, VG cargo, & VG world Travel.
- #newspace notes: 58% of VG customers so far are US citizens.
- #newspace notes: PR is about the total relationship with the public, keeping them informed, being open early on.
- #newspace notes: Last speaker for today: Steven Attenborough of Virgin Galactic.
- #newspace notes: Large part of commercial lift capability market starts at around 3 metric tonnes. India's not there yet, but they will.
- #newspace notes: Clay Mowry of Arianespace asked about man-rating Ariane V. He said it's a question of funding 4.5B..
- #newspace notes: Converged Media panel w/GIS, Sirius Radio, and telecomm members: what I call (these days) "traditional space markets".
- #newspace notes: The key to the commercial human space industry is not how \*fast\* it develops, but how \*safely\* it develops.
- #newspace notes: ship crashed into dock immediately on maiden voyage but ended up laying xAtlantic cable. (is this true?)
- #newspace notes: story of large steamship 148 yrs ago launched yesterday desined to carry 4000 passengers around the world w/o refueling.
- #newspace notes: George Nield, AA of FAA-AST talks next. @pomerantzreport, I'll bet you're sorry you wanted me to send notes from this mtg!
- #newspace notes: The opportunity for future extended stay missions to ISS is unknown. Commercial activities on Soyuz are permitted.
- #newspace notes: # of ZG flights is 100 this year and doubling every year.
- #newspace notes: Ground-based "space experience centers", ZeroG flights, & orbital flights are SA's vertically integrated suite of services.
- #newspace notes: Major barrier for Commercial Human Spaceflight was not technology, but the "govt only" mindset (which still exists btw).
- #newspace notes: Next up, Eric Anderson on the Business of Space Adventures.

- #newspace notes: opportunities for EOS markets re Green Energy. I got a phone call at the beginning of it, so I missed the whole thing...
- #newspace notes: Private equity is being attracted to commercial space sector because of rate of growth. Probably still talking about GIS.
- #newspace notes: Telecomm panelists talking to question "Why is space an interesting investment in the private equity world?". Duh...
- #newspace notes: Gary Payton IDs major USAF space programs: Global IR Surveillance, Military Communications, GPS, EELV Services, and ORS.
- #newspace AM notes: commercial sector does things at 20% cost vs govt approach b/c FARs don't force economically efficient solutions.
- #newspace notes: PM session notes from "Hedgefunds & Private Equity" panel coming soon. More notes from this morning coming as well.
- #newspace notes: Newt just finished.
- #newspace notes: Use of govt investment accounts vs. Govt cost accounts...
- PomerantzReport:#newspace @k davidian That's right! He's even got a section about them in "Winning the Future," if I recall correctly.
- jeff\_foust: @k davidian: it would have been surprising if Newt \*didn't\* talk about prizes. It's long been one of his pet issues. #newspace
- #newspace notes: I can barely sit still because Newt's talking almost exclusively about prizes!
- #newspace notes: Newt wants to get NASA out of running operational systems. He LOVES prizes. Says they should be tax-free.
- #newspace notes: Newt wants to rethink spending policies from the ground up. It's in his book and talks about prizes and other incentives.
- #newspace notes: real-world markets evolve w/opportunities and business plans evolve, too.
- #newspace notes: adjourning now for lunch with speaker Newt Gingrich, intro by Bob Walker.
- #newspace notes: 3 drivers in aerospace sector: aerospace defense, satellite communications, and GIS.
- #newspace notes: "The future ain't what it used to be." -Yogi Berra
- #newspace notes: currently govt acquisition panel w/ reps from OSTP, USAF, NASA, NOAA. Room very cold...
- PomerantzReport: Looking forward to virtually attending the Space Business Forum via tweets from @k davidian and @gsohnlein
- sitting in a really chilly ballroom at the New York Hilton attending the Space Foundation's Space Business Forum.