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Telespazio (Finmeccanica/Thales) to take part in *Stazione Futuro* (Turin, 17 March/20 November 2011)

From 17 March to 20 November 2011, Telespazio, a Finmeccanica/Thales company, is to take part in *Stazione Futuro. Qui si rifà l'Italia (Future Station. Remaking Italy)*, an exhibition organised in Turin at the Officine Grandi Riparazioni as part of the programme to celebrate 150 years since Italian Unification.

In Turin, Telespazio, supported by e-GEOS (a ASI/Telespazio company), is presenting its video installation ***Love Planet Earth***, created using extremely high-resolution satellite images of the planet. This is an intense virtual flight, which, beginning from space, will enable visitors to explore some of the most spectacular places on Earth, flying over oceans, rivers, mountains, deserts, forests and cities with a satellite view.

Each of the large images presented introduces a topic of environmental interest, which it is now possible to monitor, study and control thanks to space technology. The beauty of the satellite pictures of our planet is in contrast to the dramatic nature of some of the issues dealt with: desertification, the intensive use of resources, melting ice caps and the sprawl of the world's biggest cities.

The virtual flight then continues over Italy, with optical and radar satellite images of the country, from the Alps to Sicily, and with the beautiful photographs taken from the International Space Station by Italian astronaut Paolo Nespoli.

Finally, the satellite focuses on Turin, on the area of the Grandi Officine Riparazioni: an example, among others in Italy, of the perfect restoration of former industrial buildings.

Stazione Futuro, curated by the director of Wired Italia Riccardo Luna, seeks to show the Italy of the future through an exhibition divided into themed areas – in turn representing the issues of local and global change in the future – and in numerous languages. It depicts a future guided by technology, but also and above all by all the people who are already working to turn their ideas into reality.