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IMS is an AS9100/ISO Certified Woman and Minority Owned Small Business specializing in research, analysis, processing, and delivery of hard to find exotic metals. Our goal is to change how metal and materials are procured throughout the world by increasing client productivity and operational efficiency.



IMS Updates

Change the world. Make the world a better place. Sound cliché? But this is exactly what we are doing here at IMS. IMS is constantly involved in projects ranging from communication to aerospace, and we

strive to fulfill various needs of our customers. We are very excited to share with you how we can serve you even more effectively, so please scroll down and find out!

International Metal Source (IMS) is proud to announce that it invested in multiple processing capabilities as well as new in-house services. We now have 2D Laser Cutting, Commercial Heat Treating for PH Grades and Hardness Testing. We also constructed a temperature, humidity, and particulate controlled lab inspection room for materials that require special handling or stocking for long-term agreements.

IMS also welcomes new entrepreneurial partners Lucia Piedra, MBA, Director of Business Liaison, and Luis Quesney, Account Manager (South America) in joining the team to explore and strategize for further expansion in Latin American countries. We seek to break the stigma of low affordability when buying from U.S. based companies because IMS has successfully competed in providing reasonable options for our clients before. We believe American companies can be competitive in pricing, and we intend to achieve this by fulfilling the need for supply chain reorganization.



Industry News Highlights

SPACEX FALCON HEAVY ROCKET LAUNCH IN NOV 2017

Falcon Heavy - set to be the most powerful rocket since the 1960s-era Saturn, capable of carrying about 140,000 pounds to low-Earth orbit — is key to SpaceX's plans to take two tourists around the moon and to launch heavier national security or commercial satellites. It is the first of a new generation of giant rockets. (LA Times, 2017)

IMS is inspired by SpaceX's continued success and is proud to be a part of this historic milestone, which is not only for the aerospace industry but also for the rest of the world.

Elon Musk recently made an announcement about yet another ambitious project, BFR. Find more about it [here](#).

What Kept Us Busy

IMS recently passed AS9100D:2016 and ISO 9001:2015, which was conducted by Det Norske Veritas, a global provider accredited management system certification. IMS is also scheduled for NADCAP audit for the heat treatment and hardness testing process at the end of 2017.



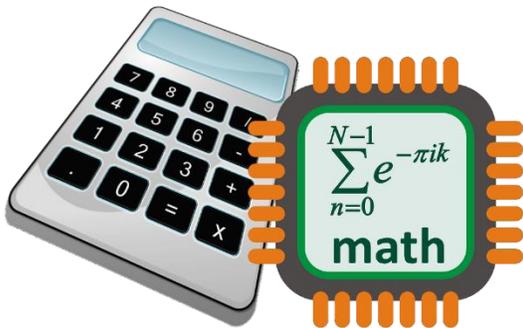
Also, IMS earned a multi-year contract to assist in manufacturing 900 satellites for OneWeb constellation (photo: OneWeb screen capture). These satellites will help achieve the goal of providing affordable internet access worldwide. By working closely with its partners (e.g. Ruag Space), IMS was able to forge a strong coalition in the satellite industry.



Where We're Headed

Ring in the year 2018, IMS is looking forward to adding a location in the hub of space in Florida! Companies in the space industry are relocating to the Port Canaveral area, where we recognized the need for our services. This will be an expansion of our R&D division, which will immensely help our customers in various areas of their supply chain, including project validation.

Meanwhile, our engineers and programmers are actively working on advanced calculators for real-time pricing and live tracking of material processing to better serve our current customers.





Star in the Making (IMS Internship)

IMS Internship program is a way of serving our community by providing "real world" experience to local students.

Luke is a young IMS intern who studies electrical engineering at East Los Angeles College. He found about the intern opportunity at a local job fair and has been a great addition to IMS's engineering team. Through the intern program, Luke gained valuable hands-on experience in processing metals from start to finish, and this enhanced his classroom understanding at school, especially in physics and statistics. Besides school, Luke believes that he matured as a person and learned to be an adaptable, versatile, and prepared professional. He highly recommends the internship program at IMS, and IMS always welcomes ambitious talents who seek to learn the knowledge, tools, and skills to succeed in various fields in future.



Upcoming Events

IMS is hosting a private event this month to showcase our new service offerings. There will be speakers representing the industry, and guests will get to meet all of team IMS! Invitations will be sent out to select industry partners soon, but if you want to secure your spot, please RSVP [here](#).

Lastly, Please Help...

IMS recognizes that many are suffering from tragic events that took place recently around the world. Our hearts go out to the families and friends who lost loved ones and to those who are still hurting. Please use the following links if you'd like to help:

[Las Vegas Victim's Fund](#) (official), and/or

[Project Paz](#) (Mexico Earthquakes), and/or

[American Red Cross](#) (Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, Maria, or general disaster relief).



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