PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

Management & Representation
- Day-to-day management of UVS International (www.uvs-international.org), a non-profit association registered in The Netherlands, which federates companies & 23 national & multi-national associations, involved with remotely piloted aircraft systems (RPAS), totalling more than 4700 companies.
- Representation of this association in various committees, organisations and working groups on national, European & international level [JAA/EUROCONTROL Joint UAS Task Force, EUROCAE WG73 on UAS Standards, EUROCAE WG93 on Small UAS Standards, European UAS Study Group, European Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems Panel, the EC’s European Informal Expert Group on Drones, the EC’s European UAS Standards Coordination Group, and the ICAO UAS Study Group].
- Management of study contracts awarded by national & European organisations (European Defence Agency, French Min. of Interior) to UVS International as prime contractor (with its members as sub-contractors).

Publishing
- Publication & distribution of publications on aviation & RPAS-related terminology & surveys.

Technology Watch
- International RPAS technology watch
- RPAS-related operational information collection

RPAS Regulation Watch
Creation & administration of www.rpas-regulations.com, a repository for promulgated RPAS regulations & related rules, reference and guidance documents, as well as access to international drone-related opinion papers, reports and terminology. 267 Countries & territories monitored.

Consultancy
- Strategic RPAS-related consultancy
- RPAS regulatory-related consultancy
- Brokerage of teaming arrangements

RPAS-Related Studies & Surveys
- Quantitative & qualitative surveys relative to military & non-military RPAS, RPAS operators & operations
- Recently (2017-18), conducted world’s first international survey on civil drone operations which brought into map the current & future drone operation sectors and the types of missions flown (1004 RPAS operators from 66 countries participated) – See: www.rps-info.com/surveys

Conferences
- Organisation [or co-organisation in cooperation with national entities - public or private)] of RPAS-related conferences with a strong accent of regulatory matters.

Global Access Initiative
Creation & management of the Global Access Initiative, which has as objective to widen general awareness of RPAS applications & international RPAS-related regulatory activities, and to make information in this field accessible to interested parties.

DronesRules
Member of the Drone-Rules consortium which has been awarded a contract by the European Commission Executive Agency for Small & Medium-sized Enterprises (EASME) - October 2015 - February 2018. DronesRules concerns the the production of an awareness creation tool (web site) with the objective to facilitate access to regulation for light RPAS, including RPAS-related regulatory, data protection & privacy, as well as insurance matters. See www.dronerules.eu

SkyOpener
Member of the SkyOpener Consortium, which has received a 3 year cofinancing contract (value € 1,8M) from the European Global Navigation Satellite Systems Agency. SkyOpener will provide a complete operational process and a system that will demonstrate higher capability through CNS (Communication, Navigation & Surveillance) innovations & enabling the ANSP (Air Navigation Service Provider) to manage the full process of RPAS operations.; See www.skyopener.eu

Information Dissemination
Undertakes information dissemination on request of various organisations, including:
- International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)
- European Commission (EC)
- European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA)
- European Defence Agency (EDA)
- EUROCONTROL
- Joint Authorities for Rulemaking on Unmanned Systems (JARUS)
- French Civil Aviation Authority (DGAC)
- EC-funded RPAS-related Study Consortia

Databases
- Possesses the world’s largest database of persons in RPAS-related organisations (manufacturers of systems & sub-systems, RPAS operators (private & governmental), research organisations, academia, aerial work providers, service suppliers, flight schools, regulatory authorities, air navigation service providers, national & international associations & interest groups, and the international media (press)). 20 000 entries (continuously verified & updated).
- Possesses the world’s largest databases in the following domains:
  - RPAS-related regulatory documents & related reference & guidance documents;
  - RPAS brochures, technical data sheets and photos.

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