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## Drone Tech from everis Coming to Escape Velocity

**Washington, DC (Mar. 29, 2016)** – The Museum of Science Fiction, the world’s first comprehensive science fiction museum, welcomes **everis** as a sponsor and exhibitor to its Escape Velocity convention on July 1-3, 2016. everis will demonstrate the latest in advanced drone technology with facial recognition capability.

"With the improved performance of our advanced UAV (unmanned aerial vehicle) platforms, paired with our facial recognition payload, the technology combination allows for a range of new service capabilities," said Deron Hurst, everis senior vice president for everis Federal Services. "The UAV / facial recognition technology we'll be demonstrating at Escape Velocity was thought to be just in the science fiction realm until just a few years ago – it is now operational."

"The everis facial recognition system uses a sophisticated set of algorithms based on the facial features of an individual in order to identify the person or verify their identity. When combined with a UAV delivery platform, this technology offers a wide array of public safety and security options," said Maria Benito, executive director for everis North America.

"The everis facial recognition UAV is another great example of going from "imagination to reality," only in the province of science fiction movies until now," said C. Alex Young, PhD, Associate Director for the Heliophysics Science Division at the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, member of the Museum’s Board of Advisors, and Chair of the Museum’s Technology Subcommittee. "We expect that these types of ‘over-the-horizon’ capabilities will be included in our visitor experience planning for the Museum’s opening exhibits.

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More information about this and other activities are available here:  
[www.museumofsciencefiction.org](http://www.museumofsciencefiction.org)  
[escapevelocity.events](http://escapevelocity.events)

### **About the Museum of Science Fiction**

The nonprofit Museum of Science Fiction will be the world's first comprehensive science fiction museum, covering the history of the genre across the arts and providing a narrative on its relationship to the real world. The Museum will show how science fiction continually inspires individuals, influences cultures, and impacts societies. Also serving as an educational catalyst to expand interest in the science, technology, engineering, art, and math (STEAM) areas, the Museum uses tools such as mobile applications and wifi-enabled display objects to engage and entertain. For a full press packet on the Museum of Science Fiction's vision and other information, please visit:  
[www.museumofsciencefiction.org/presspacket](http://www.museumofsciencefiction.org/presspacket)

### **About everis, NTT DATA Company**

An NTT DATA Company, everis offers business, strategy, development and maintenance solutions for technological applications, as well as outsourcing. The company, which increased activities in the telecommunications, finance, industry, utilities, energy, public administration and health sectors, reached \$760 million in revenues the past fiscal year. It currently has more than 13,000 employees in its offices and high performance centers distributed across 12 countries. The consulting firm belongs to the NTT DATA group, a leading information technology services provider and global innovation partner with more than 75,000 professionals based in more than 40 countries. NTT DATA integration enables everis to extend solutions and services to their clients, increasing their capabilities and technological, geographic and financial resources to provide clients with innovative solutions.

### **About Escape Velocity 2016**

The Museum of Science Fiction and NASA are partnering to bring Escape Velocity 2016 to Washington, DC. The event will be like a micro futuristic world's fair to promote STEAM educational activities within the context of science fiction using the fun of comic cons and fascination of science and engineering festivals. Escape Velocity 2016 seeks to make a measurable positive impact to boost informal learning on the more conceptually challenging academic areas. Escape Velocity's mission is to re-invigorate the interest of our young people in science, technology, engineering, art, and math by producing and presenting the most compelling, exciting, educational, and entertaining science festival in the United States using science fiction as the primary engine. Escape Velocity will achieve orbit on July 1 - 3, 2016 at the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center in Metropolitan Washington, DC. For a full press packet on Escape Velocity, please visit: [escapevelocity.events/press-media](http://escapevelocity.events/press-media)

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