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# The sky's the limit for the North East's burgeoning space sector

If I was to ask you to name the sector of industry in the North East that has the potential to create more than 8,000 new jobs by 2030, you might be surprised by the answer.

Whilst our region is well known for its strengths in areas like advanced manufacturing (further reinforced by Nissan's recent multibillion pound investment announcement) and growing sectors like health and life sciences, there's another area of industry that has the potential to turbocharge our economy and create the jobs of the future here in the North East.

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# Newcastle United FC announces latest Official Partner in 'first of its kind' deal

InPost Group, a European e-commerce delivery platform, has announced a multi-year partnership with Premier League Club Newcastle United, and is now an Official Partner of the Club.

This new agreement between two rapidly growing organisations is the 'first of its kind' for InPost's UK operation, which already has over 6,000 Out Of Home delivery options across the country.

This number is set to increase as Newcastle United supporters will soon experience the convenience of using bespoke InPost parcel lockers at St. James' Park, the first in the country at a Premier League Stadium.

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# Multi-million-pound Tyne Bridge restoration project set to 'step up' in early 2024

The next stage of restoration works to a North East landmark are set to get underway in early 2024, as refurbishment works move on to the main bridge deck of the Tyne Bridge.

£32m is being invested in the iconic structure to see it returned to its former glory. With the Tyne Bridge showing visible signs of deterioration, these vital works are needed to preserve the heritage of the bridge, ahead of its centenary in 2028.

In early 2024, engineers will start work on the main structural repairs of the Gateshead side of the bridge, next to the tower.

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# Global robotics giant commits to UK opening a state-of-the-art headquarters in Sunderland

Yaskawa – a global technology supplier in segments drives, motion controls and robotics - is opening a new, state-of-the-art UK headquarters and manufacturing facility in Sunderland. The company is opening a 35,000sq ft facility at Hillthorn Park adjacent to Nissan UK and the International Advanced Manufacturing Park (IAMP).

The new UK headquarters mark a continuation of the company's ambitious expansion strategy in Europe. Yaskawa Electric Corporation founded in Japan in 1915, is consciously following the trend towards building up technology know-how and production competence in Europe.

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# Interview: Renee Fraser-Shepard's six tips to starting your journey as an entrepreneur

Bdaily interview Renee Fraser-Shepherd, founder of winter ski-wear brand, Sloobie, to find out more about her journey as an entrepreneur and the lessons she learned along the way. Renee told Bdaily she founded her winter ski-wear brand after spotting a gap in the market for women's winter sports clothes which didn't make her feel like a "hot sweaty mess half a day into skiing!"

The early days of founding Sloobie were tough as the costs of production added up quickly, Renee said, "Our products are made using the best seamless machines out there, in other words, they are not cheap to make."

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# Designer retailer The Handbag Clinic raises new funding to drive tech innovation

The Newcastle-based luxury handbag restoration and preowned designer bag retailer - has raised a significant investment from the North East Venture Fund, supported by the European Regional Development Fund and managed by Mercia Ventures, and a private investor.

The funding will enable the company to accelerate its growth in the UK and internationally, creating at least ten new jobs in 2024, and enhance its technology, including the addition of AI and microscopic imagery to support its skilled team of authenticators.

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# OMG to create up to 170 local jobs at Newcastle hub led by new Managing Director

Omnicom Media Group (OMG), the media services division of Omnicom Group Inc. (NYSE: OMC), has announced the launch of a new location in Newcastle.

The launch will further strengthen OMG's presence across the UK, accelerate the group's 'market-leading' digital, data and tech offering, and create up to 170 jobs over the next three years. It will be led by newly appointed Managing Director, Pete Coates, who joins from iProspect UK.

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# Newcastle based aircraft trading company 'soars to new heights' with sales in 2023

Moon Jet Group, a global player in aircraft sales and acquisitions, has announced that it has achieved a second consecutive record year in the number of successful aircraft transactions closed.

The Newcastle based company has achieved these results across a wide range of different business aircraft types and categories, reflecting its capabilities as a 'unique' company that is able to successfully support clients with their various aircraft trading requirements.

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# Entrepreneurs' Forum: A year of bringing inspirational business leaders to the North East stage

Bdaily hear from Sally Cowling of the Entrepreneurs' Forum, a not-for-profit organisation that brings together like-minded business owners from the North East to share experience and help each other grow their companies faster.

From thought-provoking workshops to inspiring conferences, the past 12 months have seen over 50 Forum events taking place, with world-class speakers gracing our stages. Listening to other people's stories is energising, inspiring and opens up your mind. The positive impact this can have on entrepreneurs and their businesses is a major driver for Forum events.

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# INTERVIEW: Newcastle video production company talks 'globe-trotting' success

Bdaily sat down for a chat with the team from Third Aspect, a Newcastle based video production company whose work takes them around the globe. The team share their highlights from the past 12 months, favourite destinations to shoot, and tease what's to come in the year ahead. Read on to find out more...

## 1. First things first, can you tell our readers a bit about what Third Aspect does?

Third Aspect is a company specialising in video and photography for hotel and lifestyle clients.

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