

Eurospace Exploration WG



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ASD-EUROSPACE
The Space group in ASD

ASD-Eurospace: The association

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- Created in 1961
 - and since April 2004: the Space group in ASD
- ASD-Eurospace is the professional organisation of the European space manufacturing industry
 - A not for profit association
 - ✦ incorporated under the French Law of July 1901
 - Mandates
 - ✦ Promote space activities in the interest of its members
 - ✦ Define, adopt and express common views for the European space manufacturing sector
 - Membership
 - ✦ Eurospace members are European companies active in design, development and manufacturing of space systems
 - ✦ Eurospace membership represents more than 90% of the total European manufacturing industry employment
 - ✦ Eurospace members are distributed among 13 European countries (ESA Member States)
- ASD-Eurospace is a recognised actor of European space policy and strategy

Eurospace competencies on Space Exploration

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- Eurospace is participating in various activities related to Space Exploration via
 - Eurospace Space Exploration WG
 - ✦ ESA Exploration Roadmaps review in 2015 and 2018
 - Eurospace R&T roadmapping activities
 - ✦ Eurospace RDT activities, including specific needs for
 - Science
 - Human presence in Space and Exploration
 - ✦ Engineering roadmap of the Planetary Protection of Outer Solar System European Commission project – PPOSS

Science

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- **Critical functions/system constraints** are driving future developments.
 - High stability, pointing accuracy
 - EMC & radiation requirements
 - Temperature challenges
- **Key aim is to improve instruments capabilities**
 - Detection chain
 - Infra-red/Low-temperature
 - Synergies with the Materials roadmap e.g. for stable and large structures
- **Recommendations**
 - Improve system performance and payload capabilities, promote European readiness for state of the art instrument technologies, including large and vary large structures (ultra-stable, deployable, thermal properties).

- **Key areas for action**

- **State of the art Instruments:**

- ✦ Large Telescopes
- ✦ Detection chain improvement
- ✦ Infra-red/far Infra-red, mm-wave technologies
- ✦ Low temperature/cryogenic temperature operations
- ✦ Radiation environment (check if relevant)
- ✦ Time measurement

- **Structures, large & distributed instruments:**

- ✦ Wide field of view (FoV), large/deployable/ultra-stable structures

- **Data handling:**

- ✦ Long distance communications, high data rate/high throughput, ka/ku/optical solutions

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- **Key aim is to improve**

- Automation and robotics (including crew/robot synergies and crew collaborative robotics, but also automatic docking aspects)
- Developments of large structures, also considering habitats, together with critical aspects related to propulsion and aerothermodynamics.

- **Recommendations**

- For Exploration: address long duration travel issues (e.g. radiations impact), increase readiness level for planetary activities.
- For human exploration: investigate and develop synergies between crew and robotics, improve European readiness level on habitats.

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Key areas for action

- **Robotics, automation/autonomy, habitats, planetary activities**
 - End to end automation/autonomy
 - Flexible automation/autonomy
- **Long distance travel**
 - Propulsion systems(EP and Advanced concepts)
 - Fuel and power aspects
 - Large assemblies
 - Communications
 - Breakthrough concepts
- **Synergy between human and robotics**
 - Crew collaborative robotics
 - Astronaut support
- **Life support**
 - ECLS
 - Habitats
- **Safety and protection issues**
 - Radiation shielding
 - Debris/micro-meteoroid/dust
- **Large structures**
 - Inflatables: outfitting the interior
 - International cooperation
- **Planetary activities**
 - Atmospheric entry: Shielding
 - Soft/precise landing: Propulsion aspects, mechanical aspects and GNC aspects
 - Surface activities: Autonomy, range & mobility and drilling/manipulation requirements
 - Planetary protection
- **Return mission**
 - Sample handling
 - Contamination control