Europe’s Space Exploration Programme Following Space19+

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→inspiration, competitiveness and responsibility

In summary: ESA is ready for the 2020’s
E3P following Space19+

1 Programme = 4 Cornerstone campaigns + 2 transversal activities

→ 2000M€ investment compared with 1500M€ following 2016 Ministerial
CS#1: Humans in LEO
Research in Low Earth Orbit benefiting Earth
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Space19+ actions
✓ ISS Exploitation including barter costs
✓ Missions for existing astronaut corps
✓ New astronaut selection for post-2024 assignment
✓ Modernisation of European operations → ‘Columbus 2030’
✓ Stimulation of commercial research → ‘Business in Space Growth Network’
Progress already in 2020

→ ColKa - EDRS terminal launched
→ Bartolomeo installed

→ New SciSpacE research approved

→ Successful Beyond mission

→ HRE Science Data Centre opened 11 February
Beyond: AMS EVAs
‘Beyond’ – Mission Accomplished
"Rotifer-B1" experiment: spaceflight effects on gene expression

• Launch to ISS with SpX-19 on 5th of December 2019
• Return from ISS with SpX-19 on 7th of January 2020
International Space Station research (2)

“Multiscale Boiling” experiment: boiling processes in microgravity

- Nominal runs until March 2020
- Additional run from Q4/2020 until Q1/2021 under discussion
International Space Station research (3)

“Foam-C” experiment: structural rearrangement and evolution of bubble size

- Launch to ISS with SpX-19 on 5th of December 2019
- Implementation planned Q2 2020

Unstable in 1 g
International Space Station research (4)

Atmosphere Space Interaction Monitor (ASIM)

• Data available via ASIM Science Data Center since November 2019
• Two main instruments studying Transient Gamma-ray Flashes and Transient Luminous Evenys
• Implementation continuing until at least September 2021
Upload of DOSIS-3D PDPs with SpX-20 marks the start of the first joint ESA/CMSA experiment implementation!

Positions of the PDPs within ISS Columbus Laboratory

DOSIS 3D hardware in Columbus: (a) PDP at star cone position; (b) PDP at the upper part of EPM facility; (c) DOSIS-MAIN-BOX beneath EPM Module; (d) Triple PDP mounted on left side of DOSIS-MAIN-BOX
Commercial ISS Services offer new research opportunities

**ICE Cubes**

"Our Expertise for Your Experiment"

[www.icecubesservice.com](http://www.icecubesservice.com)

50,000 Euro (1U, 4 months on ISS)

**Bartolomeo**

"Your All-in-One Space Mission Service"

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from 160,000 Euro (8 ECs, 14 days on ISS)

**Bioreactor Express**

Science & tech experiments exploiting the KUBIK incubation facility

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from 326,000 Euro (3-8U, 1 year on ISS)
Bartolomeo

Installed by robotic arm on the forward-facing side of Columbus 2 April
OUTLOOK 2020

• Definition of 20 ISS Human Research proposals
• Definition of 15 proposals for future EML utilization
• Solicitation for experiments making use of live-cell imaging (AO-2020-FLUMIAS)
• Solicitation for material science samples making use of external exposure facility (AO-2020-SESAME)

5 November 2020: 20 years of ISS operations
**ESA Research on Concordia Station**

- WO2019: completed with 4 ESA-selected experiments
- WO2020: on-going with 4 ESA-selected experiments
- WO2021: preparations have started

**ESA Participation in SIRIUS Isolation Programme**

- Integration of ESA-selected experiments into overall science programme to start
- Start of first isolation study: November 2020
ESA Bedrest and Dry Immersion Study Programme

- Joint ESA/NASA 60d bedrest study “AGBRESA” (Artificial Gravity BedRest Study with ESA) completed

Outlook 2020:
- Definition of upcoming bedrest and dry-immersion studies has started
- AO-2020-Bedrest: solicitation of experiments during next 2 bedrest studies
- AO-2020-DryImmersion: solicitation of proposals supporting validation of the dry-immersion model
ESAs RESEARCH USING SOUNDING ROCKETS

• TEXUS-56 (2019): ESA payloads ICAPS and Perwaves

OUTLOOK 2020+:
• Preparations for implementation of CHYPI-Flower
• Preparations for 2 Sounding Rocket missions
ESA’s ground-based Radiation Research Programme

• Completion of selection of experiments submitted to AO-2019-IBER

Outlook 2020+:

• Completion of implementation of experiments stemming from AO-2017-IBER

• Preparation of implementation of experiments stemming from AO-2019-IBER

• Joint ESA/FAIR Radiation Summer School
Forward to the Moon – Progress in 2020

- ESM3 contract signed
- I-HAB & ESPRIT contractors selected
- CLTV Ø A/B1 procurement approved
- PROSPECT Phase C/D signed
- EL3 Ø A/B1 procurement approved

Good progress of Gateway MoU negotiations
CS#2: Orion and the Lunar Gateway

By 2024, humanity’s most distant research base
Artemis Lunar Programme Updates (1/2)

- NASA’s Plan for Sustained Lunar Exploration and Development released on 2 April
  - Moon surface activities and preparation for human trip to Mars
- In addition to “Boots on the Moon (2024)”, importance of Gateway in NASA’s sustained lunar exploration re-emphasised
- NASA Power and propulsion element (PPE) and habitation and logistics outpost (HALO) will be launched together in late 2023
- 1st Gateway Logistics Service (GLS) contract awarded by NASA to SpaceX
Artemis Lunar Programme Updates (2/2)

International selection of first 2 scientific payloads for Gateway:
  - Radiation package to be provided by ESA
  - Space weather package to be provided by NASA

Outlook 2020:

• Solicitation for exobiology samples making use of external exposure facility
• Solicitation for analysis of radiation monitoring data
Longer term opportunities

Consultations with Topical Teams and other science forums including:

- Cosmic dust
- Astrobiology
- Space physics
- Radiation
- Microbiomes / Biofilms
- Bioreactors in Space
- Human research
- Personalised Medicine
- Synthetic Biology
- 3D Bioprinting in Space
- Others being initiated
CS#3: Lunar Robotic exploration
**Missions of Opportunity**

**PROSPECT** Searching for water at the Moon’s polar regions

Contract Signature:
30 January 2020 at Leonardo, Milan
Future Strategic opportunity now starting definition

European Large Logistic Lander (EL3)
Gateway + robotic missions
= sustainable human exploration

3 novel examples where ESA is preparing for this future ...
**NASA Apollo Next Generation Sample Analysis Program (ANGSA)**

Opening and analyses of an Apollo 17 core sample that has remained sealed since its collection in 1972

European participants: ESA, Manchester University and Open University

ESA’s role:

- Assist with preliminary sample characterisation and protocols
- Support design and build of gas extraction device
- Consolidate lessons learned for future missions
- Derive engineering and mission requirements for:
  - New sample containment concepts
  - Future mission and curation design synergies for Mars Sample Return
**European Space Resources Innovation Centre**

**ESRIC Objectives:**
- Advance ESA and Luxembourg Space Resources Strategy
- Become a hub and excellence for Space Resources research
- Support business development in Space Resources
- Engage and broaden the community

**ESRIC Establishment Progress:**
- Implementation plan presented at PB-HME
- Negotiations ongoing to establish equipment hosting agreement
- Procurement of initial equipment and utilisation project approved
PANGAEA Planetary Surface Operations Tool Suite
Situational Awareness & Science Decision Support

- Handheld Spectrometers
- Mineral identification
- Planetary Minerals Libraries
- Knowledge retrieval
- Machine Learning
- Autonomous classification
- Field Ops (Crew & Rovers)
- Geolocated Data collection
- Data Harmonization
- UI for Science Ops
- Disruption Tolerant Information Exchange
- External imaging devices
- Situational Awareness & Context

Science & Mission Support
Cornerstone 4
And on to the Red Planet ...
Ambitious decade of robotic Mars exploration

- TGO science and data relay continuing
- ERO contractor selected
- Rosalind Franklin environmental tests completed
- SFR advanced Ø B2 approved
- MSR priority confirmed in NASA 2021 Budget
ExoMars has made positive progress ...

- All ExoMars Rover Surface Platform hardware was delivered and integrated to execute Cruise, EDL and Landing Operations tests under environmental conditions in TA sinusF Cannes
- The Spacecraft TB-TV and Acoustic Tests were conducted successfully
- After thorough validation at Airbus F Toulouse, the Rosalind Franklin Rover was delivered 10 February to TA sinusF for system level electrical/EMC system compatibility tests
- The Parachute system design was updated and six dynamic extraction ground tests successfully completed at JPL with both parachutes → two new High Altitude Drop Tests remain for later in 2020
- The Russian lander propulsion system underwent qualification testing
Rover Module

Rosalind Franklin after Thermal vacuum testing at ADS-F Toulouse
Spacecraft

Flight Landing Module at TASinF Cannes showing the Rover STM and the deployment ramps
...But gradual schedule erosion occurred

- Slow Russian avionics debugging at TASinI in May-Oct. 2019 delayed the central software and so the spacecraft functional and operations validation tests

- Avionics malfunctions/failures encountered on four Russian equipment: at least one must return to Russia for troubleshooting

- Limited visibility on Russian-led qualification and acceptance tests (i.e. for the Descent Module separation and propulsion systems)

- Despite 3 shifts 7/7 work since May 2019, DM/SCC AIT activities were slower than expected due to delayed hardware with limited AIT specifications and design documentation from Lavochkin

- Negative schedule contingency with respect to the launch window opening (26 July 2020)

→ Covid-19 strongly impacting Russian/European work
Main Recommendation of Inspectors General + Project Joint Report to DGs

In view of the current ExoMars-2020 delays, the main risks/mitigations presented above, and considering the lack of schedule contingencies, maintaining the ExoMars RSP launch between the 26 July and the 11 August 2020 has become incompatible with the successful delivery of the Rover and Landing Platform on Mars. **It is therefore recommended to adjourn the ExoMars launch to September/October 2022**

- Replanning for 2022 launch underway
- Financial contingency included in Space19+ proposal
MARS SAMPLE RETURN

- Mars 2020 mission
- Sample Retrieval Lander mission
- Earth Return Orbiter mission
Science preparation actions include:

• Sample Analogue Curation Facility at ECSAT operational and supporting research
• ESA recruiting dedicated planetary sample scientist
• Open selection of European scientists to be part of Mars 2020 campaign regarding sample selection
  • → ESA AO for up to 5 Returned Sample Scientists issued at end of March 2020
• Setting up of new MSR Science Planning Group (MSPG) to support executive of NASA and ESA
MSR Science Planning Group (MSPG)

→ ESA and NASA preparing a joint MSR campaign

→ One of the key elements of the partnership is to establish the Science Management Plan (SMP) to give all partners a fair opportunity to participate in the scientific discovery process

→ MSPG was put in place in 2019 and delivered a framework and findings for Mars sample science management in Nov. 2019

FINDING #11: Two functional groups are needed as quickly as possible following approval to proceed with the MSR Campaign: the MRSB Council and the MSR Science Planning Group 2
MSR Science Planning Group Phase 2: Tasks

→ Provide inputs to a MSR Science Management Plan (SMP)

→ Technical issues related to the science of MSR
  - Sample sterilization, including consideration of the effects of sterilization on the science as well as implications for the SRF
  - Use of penetrative imaging on the sample tubes before they are opened
  - As needed, propose quantitative sample quality-related requirements for the transport/handling of the samples during the MSR flight campaign

→ Develop approaches and a working list of high-level requirements for the SRF that can be used in cost estimation and budgeting

→ A list of key decision points related to the Mars returned samples with inputs from science, curation, and planetary protection, and represent them on a master timeline
MSR Science Planning Group Phase 2

- Joint Terms of Reference (ToR) signed 4 April 2020
- AO issued on 6 April 2020 by ESA and NASA in parallel
- Expected start is 31 May 2020
- Expected end date is 30 April 2021
- Up to 25 team members will be selected based on experience in the organization and management of large-scale national and international collaborative scientific activities, involvement in one or more sample return planning and/or flight activities, and experience with sample-related scientific issues associated with sample containment and analyses
Space19+ has determined the next decade and beyond

- Europe using the ISS for world-class research and developing an economy in Low Earth Orbit
- Joining our international partners by sending the first European explorers to the Moon
- Europe as a global leader in robotics, artificial intelligence and commercial services for lunar and Mars exploration
ADDITIONAL SLIDES ON FSL
EDR2 Status and Utilisation Plans

EDR2 is installed in HTV-9 and ready for launch at the end of May 2020

- To be installed in COL1D4 during HTV-9 mission and used for stowage temporarily
- Transfer from D4 to O1 is pending FSL activities and readiness of EDR2 Class 2 payloads
- Class 2 Payload hardware readiness:
  - Metal 3D Printer NET Q2/Q3 2021
  - Live Cell Imaging (aka Flumias) NET Nov 2022
  - VIP-GRAN-ISS NET end-2022 (ops readiness)
  - HTH-2 NET Q2 2023 (ops readiness)
  - HTH-1 still in negotiation phase (ops readiness as of ~Q1 2026)
FSL and EDR2 Utilisation Plan

- EDR2 uploaded on HTV-9 and temporarily parked in COL1D4
- ETC disposed with HTV-9
- FSL disposed with HTV-X1

![Diagram showing FSL and EDR2 utilisation plan for 2019-2022]

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- Expected readiness: ▲
- Upload: ▲
- Return/Trash: ▼

- Live Cell Imaging
- Metal 3D
- EDR-2
- VIP-GRAN-ISS

**Temporary parking in COL1D4 (passive, no experiment can be run during this period)**
EDR2 Utilisation

- M3DP: Metal 3D Printer
- Live Cell Imaging
- VIP-GRAN-ISS
- HTH-2: Heat Transfer Host 2

Flights arbitrarily assigned, Flight Plan will change
Schedule subject to change based on HW and Ops readiness

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- Begin ops
- End ops
- Expected (ops) readiness
- Upload
- Sample/data return
- Trash
- Proposed Ops
- Not active in EDR2
- Stowage outside EDR2

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