



According to Bryce Space & Technology Co., among academic operators, Kyutech is No. 1 in number of small satellites launched

Members of BIRDS -1, -2, -3, and -4, on 29 Nov 2018 in front of the lab building



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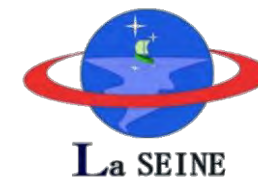
G. Maeda

革新的宇宙利用実証ラボラトリー

Laboratory of *Lean Satellite Enterprises*
and *In-Orbit Experiments (La SEINE)*

Kyushu Institute of Technology (Kyutech)

Kitakyushu, Japan



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From Nepal

The Guest Box



The national flight carrier was once the largest employer and foreign currency generator for Nepal. However, years of mismanagement and internal corruption reduced the airlines to a shadow of what it was in the early 90s. Nepal Airlines is now attempting a comeback launching new international routes with their new Airbus A300 including direct flights to Japan (NRT).

-- by Abhas, former Project Manager of BIRDS-3

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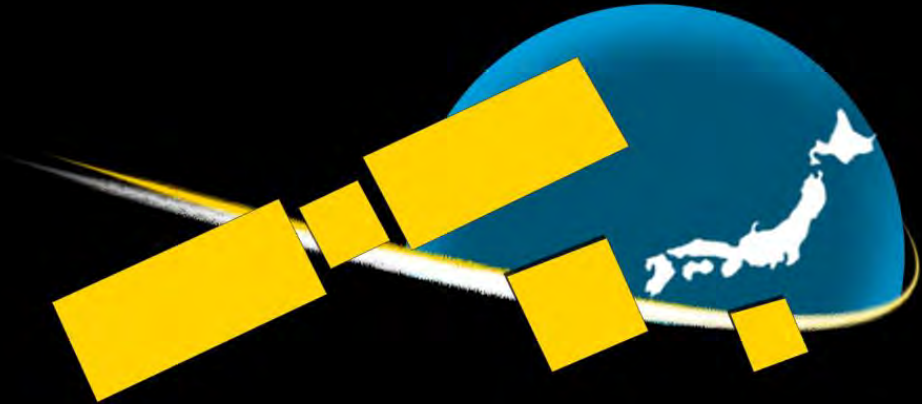
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01. SEIC: Special guest lecture by Dr. Werner Balogh of WMO

Another expert's lecture
provided for the students
of



SEIC

Space Engineering International Course

SEIC Guest Lecture by Dr. Werner Balogh



WORLD
METEOROLOGICAL
ORGANIZATION

**Date: Friday
(18 SEPT 2020)
Time: 3:00 PM
Japan Std Time**

Title:

Space-related Activities of the World Meteorological Organization



Dr. Werner Balogh

Abstract

The World Meteorological Organization (WMO) originated from the International Meteorological Organization (IMO), established in 1873.

It is one of the oldest international organizations. Today it acts as the United Nations systems authoritative voice on weather, water, climate and related environmental services.

The space-related activities of WMO can be traced back to the beginning of the space age and are closely linked to early discussions in the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (COPUOS).

With the growing importance of space-based observations, a dedicated WMO Space Programme was initiated by the World Meteorological Congress in 2003.

This presentation will explore the origins, present status and future of the WMO space-related activities in the context of the sharing of space benefits and their contributions to the implementation of global development agendas.

Nearly 30 SEIC students participated in this event.

Dr Balogh delivered a highly professional presentation which provided our students with another aspect of how space technology improves our daily lives here on earth.

A few screen shots follow.



The screenshot shows a Zoom meeting interface. The main window displays a presentation slide with the following content:

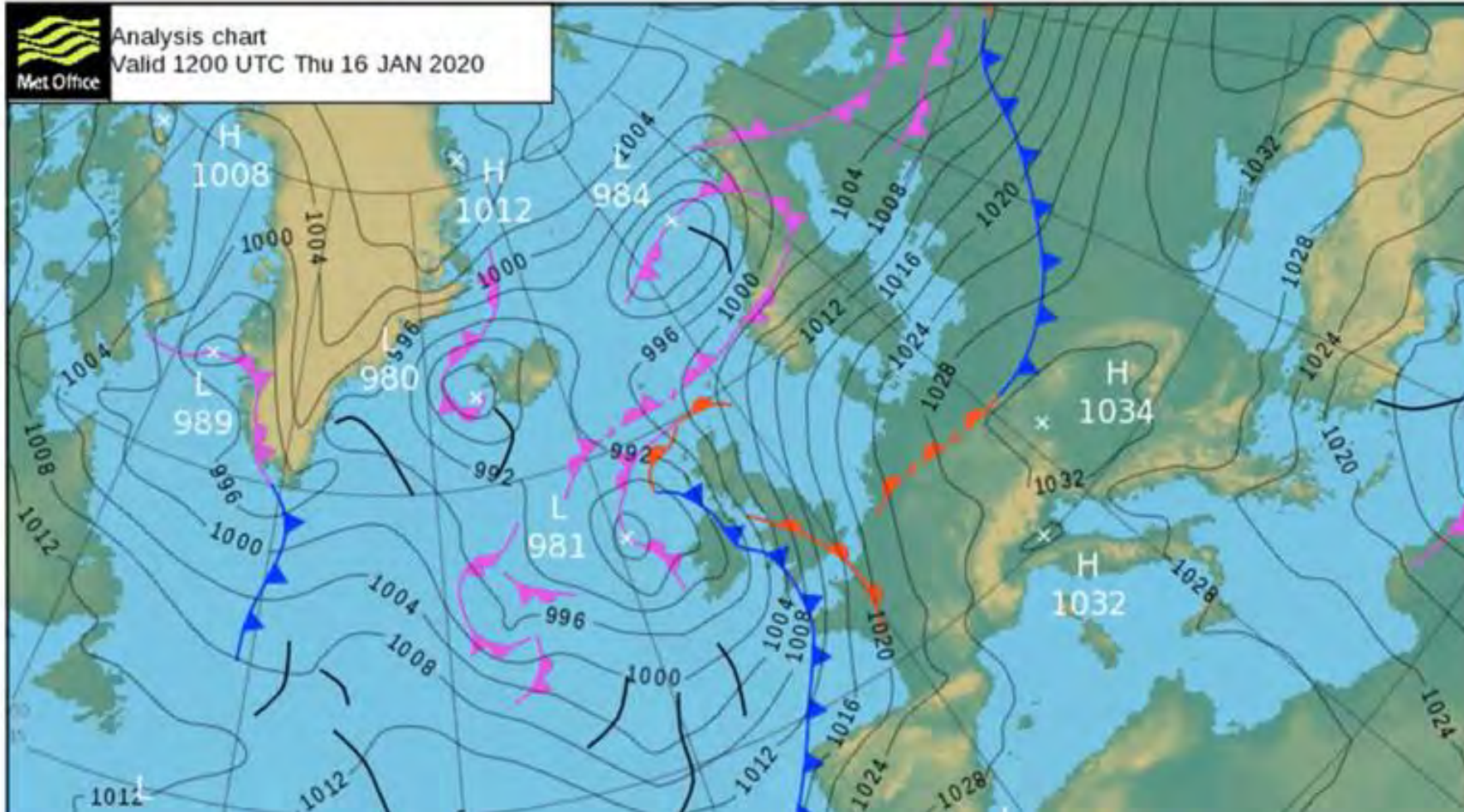
- Vertical text on the left: WEATHER CLIMATE WATER / TEMPS CLIMAT EAU
- Large blue text: SPACE-RELATED ACTIVITIES OF THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION
- WMO 70th Anniversary logo (70 WMO OMM)
- Text: World Meteorological Organization / Organisation météorologique mondiale
- Speaker information: Werner Balogh, WMO Space Programme Office
- Host information: Kyushu Institute of Technology, Space Engineering International Course
- Date: 18 September 2020

On the right side, there is a vertical grid of participant video thumbnails. The top thumbnail shows a man in a suit. The second thumbnail shows a man with a 'ISP20' logo. The third thumbnail shows a man. The fourth is a grey placeholder. The fifth shows a young boy. At the bottom right, there is a Zoom control bar with a timer showing 0:59:37.

This is the ZOOM recording of this SEIC Guest Lecture by Dr Balogh

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/mq293vty9mjgow8/SEIC%20Guest%20Lecture%20by%20Dr%20Werner%20Balogh%20on%2018%20Sept%202020.mp4?dl=0>

Observing and Forecasting Weather



WMO and Space Weather



ICAO UNITING AVIATION

Establishment of Space Weather Information Service For International Air Navigation

Raul Romero
Technical Officer MET
ICAO Headquarters, Montreal

CGMS Space Weather Coordination Group
(CGMS SWx CG)





Potential Role of Small Satellites

RainCube	Value
Instrument	1x RainCube
Frequency	35.75 GHz
Antenna	0.5m (dipole)
Footprint	<10 km
Vert. resolution	<250 m
Swathwidth	20-40°

RainCube Mission Operations Concept

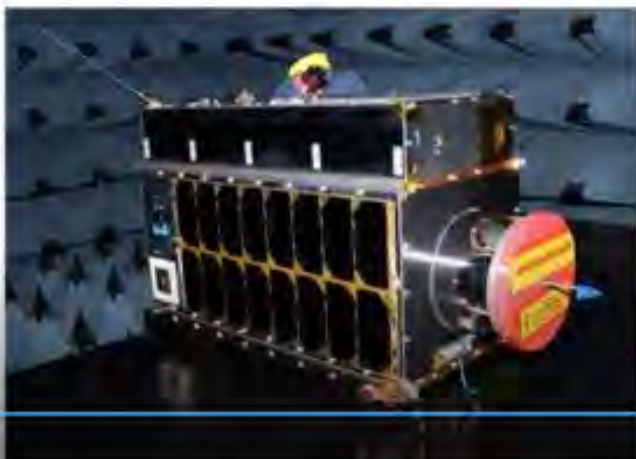
Mission	Value
Launch manifest	1 (Satellite)
Launch date (est.)	5/2024 (04-0)
Orbit altitude	7400 km
Inclination	51.4°
Primary mission	2 months

RainCube is a technology demonstration mission funded through NASA ESTO to enable the development of small satellite technologies for a low-cost, quick-turnaround platform.

RainCube data from 2015 airborne demonstration

Flight System	Value
Spacecraft mass	12 kg
Spacecraft volume	8U
Payload Power	10W (10W)
Payload Data	10 MB/s
Payload duty cycle	32% (10min)
Payload operations	1 (10 min)

<https://www.jpl.nasa.gov/cubesat/missions/raincube.php>



- Small satellites can help to close important observational gaps and complement the present space-based observing system, e.g.
 - Microwave sounding
 - GHG emissions
 - Radio occultation
 - LEO magnetic field measurements
 - ?
- Trend towards procuring data from commercial satellite operators
- Increasing the number of stake holders providing space-based observations

Dr Balogh (an old friend of Kyutech) has been giving space-law-related lectures at Kyutech since 12 January 2017

In an effort to provide world-class, graduate-level education to SEIC students, we have invited overseas scholars/experts to Kyutech to teach special courses.

In January of 2017, Dr. Balogh arrived to teach a 2-credit course entitled *The International Dimension of Space Activities: Space Law and Policy for Engineers*. Over 35 SEIC students signed up for it – the course was a hit.



The first lecture (12 January 2017) gave the historical background to space flight and to space law.

SEIC students did a farewell lunch for Dr Werner Balogh on 28 March 2017



(left)
Gathering at the
lobby of the building
of LaSEINE

Dr Balogh, from the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs, taught the space law and policy course during January and February. The course was highly popular and successful. The students say good-bye with this lunch at the Kyutech cafeteria.

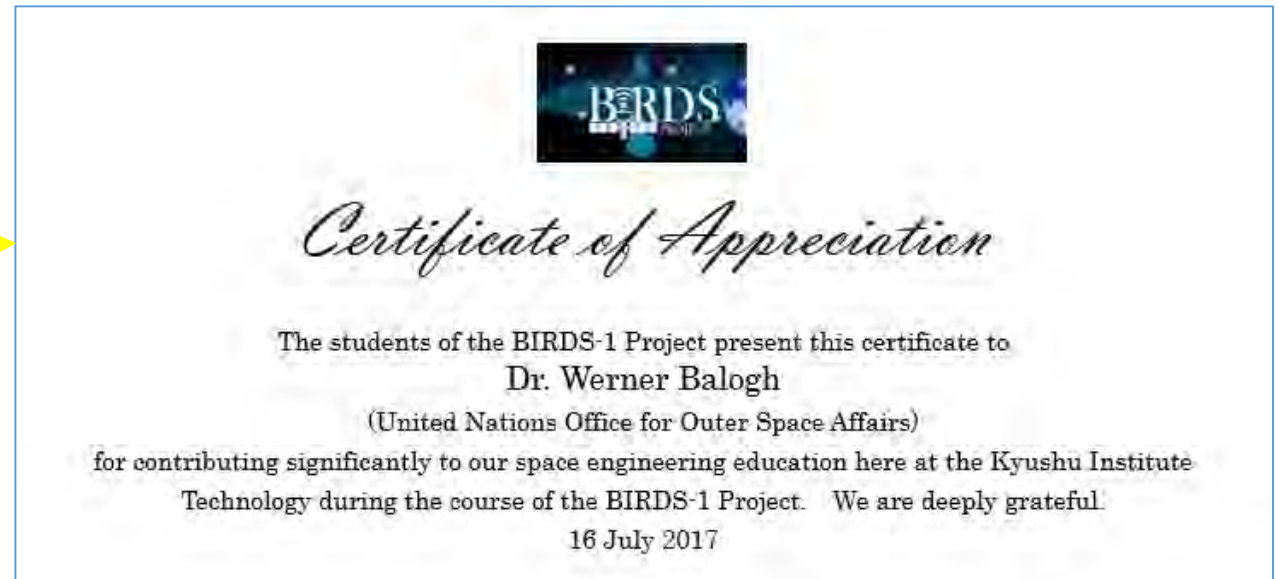


Ian Ruxton, English
instructor for SEIC





Dr. Werner Balogh received BIRDS-1 Certificate of Appreciation during INSPIRE



Dr Werner Balogh received this certificate of appreciation from G. Maeda (Kyutech) during the *INSPIRE Workshop* in Boulder, Colorado, USA, 1-3 August 2017. It is signed by the 15 students of the BIRDS-1 Project.

Workshop website:
<http://inspiresat.com/workshop/>





The opening lecture of Monday, 17 Dec. 2018, 16:20 – 19:30, Tobata Campus of Kyutech

Dr Werner Balogh arrived at Kyutech to teach a course on space law and policy for engineers

Special 2018 4th quarter SEIC 2-credit course:
The International Dimension of Space Activities: Space Law and Policy for Engineers

- Taught by:
- ◆ Dr. Werner Balogh, WMO of the United Nations
 - ◆ Dr. Yuri Takaya, 高屋 友里 先生



END OF THIS SECTION

02. Uchū Daikaijū Dogora (宇宙大怪獣ドゴラ, lit. "Giant Space Monster Dogora")

EXPLANATION IN ENGLISH

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dogora>

Which states in part:

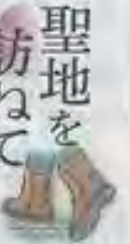
"Dogora, released in Japan as Uchū Daikaijū Dogora (宇宙大怪獣ドゴラ, lit. "Giant Space Monster Dogora"), is a 1964 Japanese science fiction film directed by Ishirō Honda, written by Jojiro Okami and Shinichi Sekizawa, and produced by Yasuyoshi Tajitsu and Tomoyuki Tanaka, with special effects by Eiji Tsuburaya. Produced and distributed by Toho Studios, the film stars Yosuke Natsuki, Nobuo Nakamura, Hiroshi Koizumi, and Akiko Wakabayashi, along with American actor Robert Dunham. The film tells the story of a huge jellyfish-like creature from space that attacks Japan."

Yes, this is a creative 1960s film about a nasty space jellyfish that attacks Tobata 戸畑 ----- the city that we all know and love. The Editor.

読売新聞

2020年(令和2年)6月29日(月曜日)

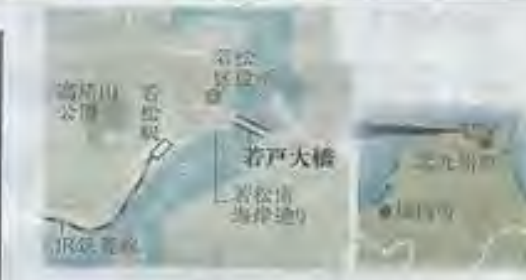
よみうり



聖地を訪ねて

ゴジラやモスラなど活躍する東宝の怪獣映画は、東京タワーや大阪城といった建造物の破壊シーンが鬼どころの一つだ。1964年に公開された宇宙大怪獣ドゴラも、開通して間もない若戸大橋(北九州市)が「標的」となった。

洞海湾に架かる若戸大橋は、若松区と戸畑区を結ぶ全長約2.1キロで、62年の開通当時は「東洋一のつり橋」と呼ばれた。近くの若



映画「宇宙大怪獣ドゴラ」(北九州市若松区)

若戸大橋を真つ二つ

松津はかつて、筑豊炭田から運ばれる石炭の積み出し港として栄えた。

クラゲのような姿をした「宇宙細胞「ドゴラ」は、炭素をエネルギー源とし、石炭やダイヤモンドを吸い上げていく怪獣だ。映画の後半では、石炭を狙って若松に襲来。夜空から触手を伸ばして若戸大橋を持ち上

げ、真つ二つにへし折り、海に投げ落とす。

「子どもの頃、初めてこの映画を見て「橋が大変なことになった」と、思わず見にいきました」。若戸大橋近くの老舗料亭「金鐘」店主の真花宏行さん(57)は懐かしそうに語る。

「子どもは2007年、映画で街を盛り上げた。12年に「ドゴラ」を上映したとき、1000人近くの特撮ファンが訪れた。そのときのポスターは今も大切に保管している。これからも映画を通じて地元を発信していくつもりだ。

「若戸大橋が壊されるのは驚いたけど、映画から強いエネルギーを感じた」。そう振り返るのは橋の近所で飲食店を営む坂本正裕さん(53)。「写真」

問い合わせは若松区役所総務企画課企画係(093・771・3559)へ。若松駅から車で5分の高塔山公園からは橋を一望できる。



●若戸大橋の破壊シーンを撮り返る真花さん
●高塔山公園から望む若戸大橋

「若松はさみしくなってきた。今回の取材を通じて、そんな声を何度も聞いた。旧若松市を含む5市が合併して北九州市が発足したのが1963年。ドゴラ公開の前年だ。高度成長期の真っただ中で、街が発展していたからこそ、映画の舞台に選ばれたのかもしれない。半世紀が過ぎ、若松を取り巻く環境は変わったが、かつての活気を感じさせる街であり続けてほしい。」

洞海湾と若戸大橋の景色を楽しめる若松南海岸通りは、JR若松駅から歩いて5分。通りには旧古河鉱業若松ビルや石炭会館など、明治・大正期の建物が残る。

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03. Handover Ceremony of BIRDS-4 Project



**BIRDS-4
HANDOVER
CEREMONY OF
24 SEPT 2020**



**Tobata Campus
of Kyutech**



The ambassador of Paraguay arrives at Kokura Station at 9:15 AM on 24 Sept. 2020



A
Ambassador Raul Alberto FLORENTIN ANTOLA

B
Mr. Miguel Dario Teodoro MALDONADO GABRIAGUEZ, Second Secretary and Consul of the Embassy of Paraguay in Japan

Brief meeting (10:30-10:45 AM) between the Paraguay delegation and Prof. Oie, President of Kyutech



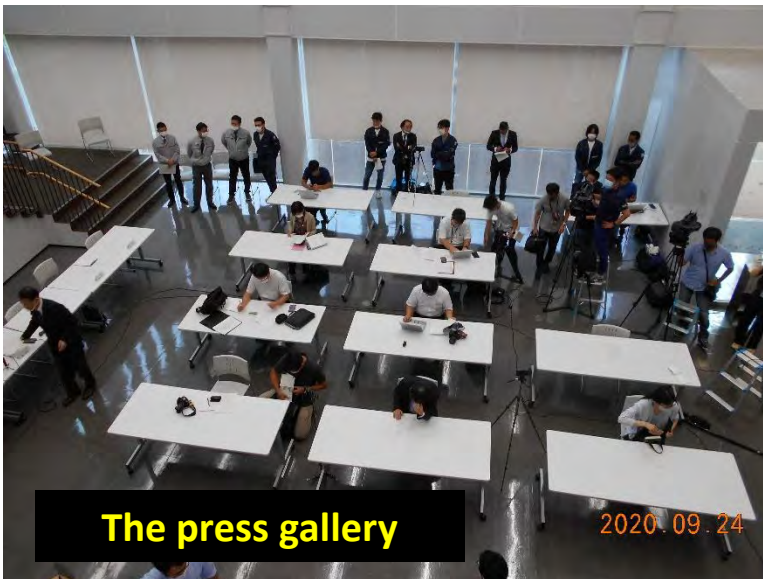
The 2nd floor of Nakamura Memorial Hall

Preparing for the event (it started at 11:00 AM)

2nd Secretary, Makino san, and Ambassador



Film crew of local television stations



The press gallery



Prof. Oie and Ambassador





A



B



C



D

E

The speakers:

- A) Prof. Oie
- B) Prof. Cho
- C) Ambassador of Paraguay
- D) Colonel Vielman, president of AEP (space agency of Paraguay)
- E) Dr Kurita, AEP, translator for above
- F) Ambassador of the Philippines
- G) Secretary of the Department of Science and Technology, Philippines
- H) BIRDS-4 project manager Izrael
- I) Student Nakayama, translator for above

The speeches of the ceremony



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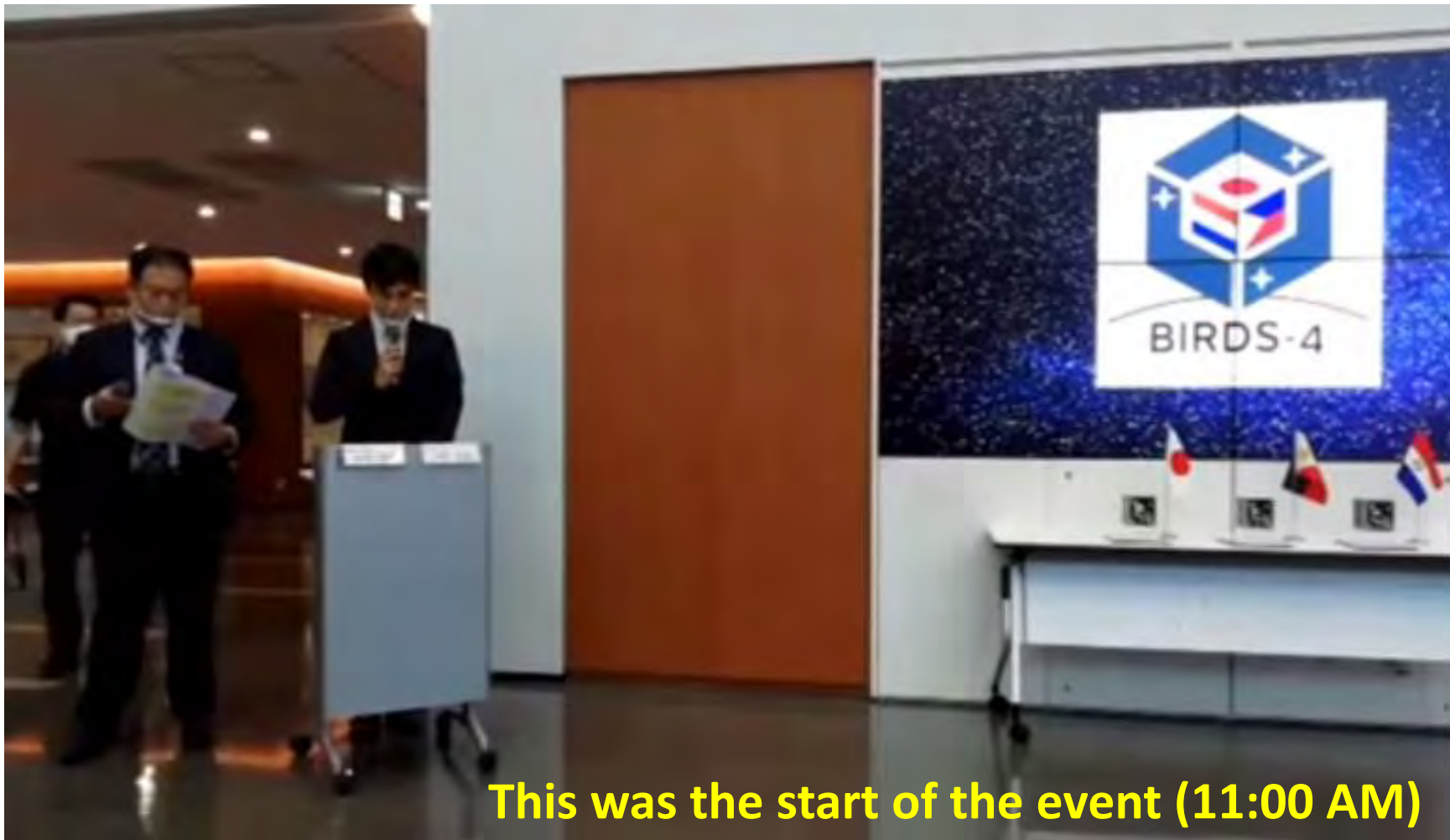


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Dr Masui also did a lot of translation (English into Japanese)



This was the start of the event (11:00 AM)



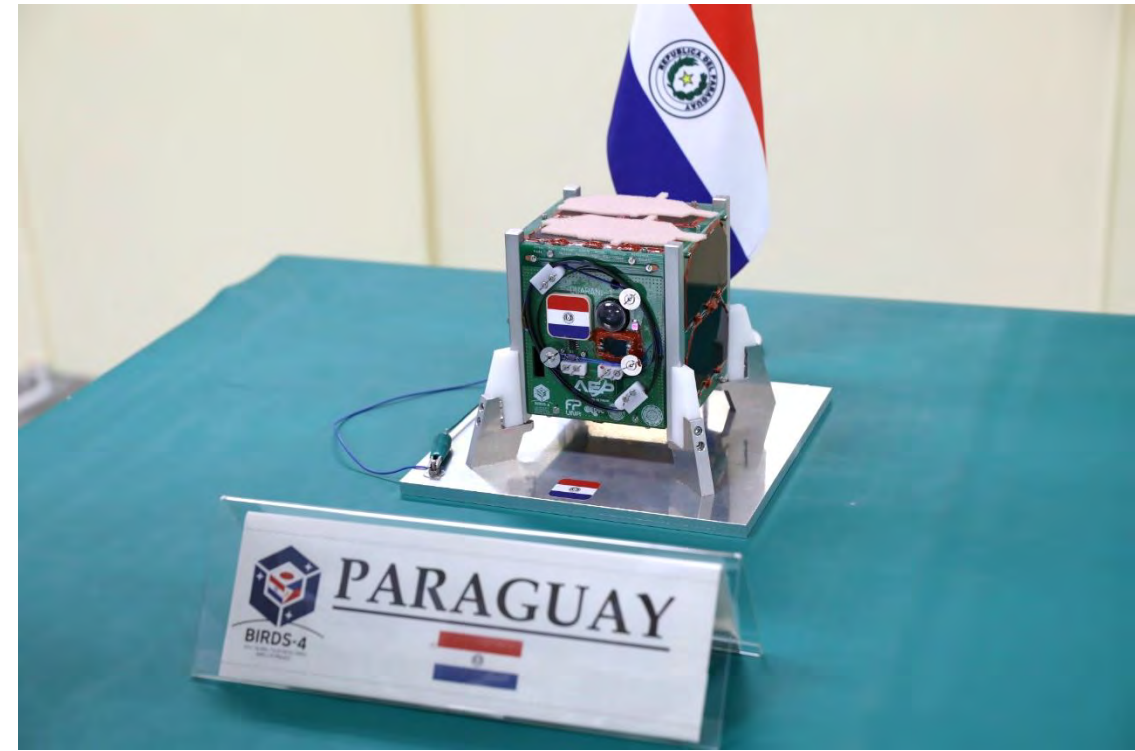
**You can view
and listen to all
the speeches at
YouTube – see
the link below**

BIRDS-4 Satellite Project Handover Ceremony and Media Press Conference

The full video is here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=46JUhdMqrpQ&feature=youtu.be>



**Ambassador Florentin and Prof. Cho
with flight models**



**A visit (around 12:00 noon) to
the BIRDS-4 clean room to
see the flight models – these
will be delivered to JAXA**



Kyutech swimming pool is next door



BIRDS-4 student Marloun gives the Paraguay delegation a special tour of the test facilities (12:45-13:00)



Thermal vacuum chamber





Very tender and tasty duck



Prof Cho took the Paraguay delegation to *Café Rouge Blanc* for lunch (13:00 – 14:00)



Soup, salad, and bread



Four newspaper articles about this historic event

人工衛星3機完成

九工大 パラグアイ・比も参加

九州工業大学（北九州）は23日、パラグアイとフィリピンが共同で開発した超小型人工衛星3機を完成させた。このうち1機は九工大が主導で開発した。この3機は、今年10月に打ち上げられ、約2年間の宇宙飛行を予定している。九工大は、このプロジェクトに、パラグアイとフィリピンが共同で開発した超小型人工衛星3機を完成させた。このうち1機は九工大が主導で開発した。この3機は、今年10月に打ち上げられ、約2年間の宇宙飛行を予定している。



3カ国の研究機関が参加して完成させた超小型衛星



九州工業大学の衛星は、パラグアイのラウル・アルベルト・フロレンティン・アントラとフィリピン駐日大使の両氏が贈られた。左は九州工業大学の代表者、右はラウル・アルベルト・フロレンティン・アントラとフィリピン駐日大使。

Asahi Newspaper; 25 Sept 2020

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九工大が超小型衛星公開

宇宙で太陽電池実験など

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九工大によると、この3機は、いずれも1辺約10cmの立方体で、重さ約1.2kg。両国からの留学生ら11人が、約2年かけて開発。新型コロナウイルスの影響で、一時帰国していたパラグアイ人留学生が、入国後、ビオオオ会議システムなどを利用して協議や試験データの解析などを重ね、完成させた。パラグアイとしては、初めての人工衛星という。

3機はISSの日本実験棟きぼうから放出された後、地球の高さ400kmを約1時間半で周回しながら、南米で飛行する衛星を誘導する安定した軌道に投入される。このうち1機は、パラグアイとフィリピンが共同で開発した超小型人工衛星3機を完成させた。このうち1機は九工大が主導で開発した。この3機は、今年10月に打ち上げられ、約2年間の宇宙飛行を予定している。

Yomi-uri Newspaper; 25 Sept 2020

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九工大印 超小型衛星



九州工業大、(北九州)市に
は、列国、フィリピン、パ
ラグアイの政府・研究機関と
共同開発した超小型人工衛星
3基を組立機には公開した。
2020年打ち上げ、開
発中である。

3基 来年打ち上げへ

間にあつた。中東に
多い。研究や、衛星の
技術化に向け、進めたい
と望む。

九工大は超小型人工衛星の
打ち上げで世界一の立場が
あり、宇宙開発協会の人材

フィリピン、パラグアイと開発

また、衛星開発の技術的な
支援も行う。九工大が開発
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以上の高度から撮影する。こ
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Nishi Nippon Newspaper; 25 Sept 2020

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超小型衛星 共同打ち上げ



九工大、民生部材を追加
パラグアイなどと来年

九工大は、超小型人工衛星の
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Nikkei Newspaper; 25 Sept 2020

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POST EVENT MESSAGE FROM THE AMBASSADOR OF PARAGUAY

Subject: Thank You from Paraguayan Embassy
From: <rflorentin*embapar.jp>
Date: 2020/09/30 10:42
To: "George Maeda" <maeda*ise.kyutech.ac.jp>
CC: "Liduvino Diaz" <lvielman*aep.gov.py>, <mmaldonado*embapar.jp>

Dear George Maeda,

Thank you once again for taking care for us during our visit to Kyutech. It was a honor to meet the President of Kyutech and exchange some words before the Hand over Ceremony of our first satellite. As I mentioned before, we felt very honored to be able to assist to the presentation of the first satellite of our country, which is a very important milestone for our technological development. We congratulate Kyutech and in particular Prof. Cho for establishing the BIRDS projects, which is an excellent possibility for countries like Paraguay, to advance in the technological development and in the preparation of human capital in this field.

For the future we hope to strengthen the relation between the Paraguayan Space Agency, which is successfully managed by Cnel. Liduvino Vielman, and Kyutech, as well as JAXA. We look forward to participate in the next future of the launching of our satellite into its orbit. Thank you also for the photos you send me through email and in paper.

Best regards,
Raúl FLORENTÍN-ANTOLA
Embajador



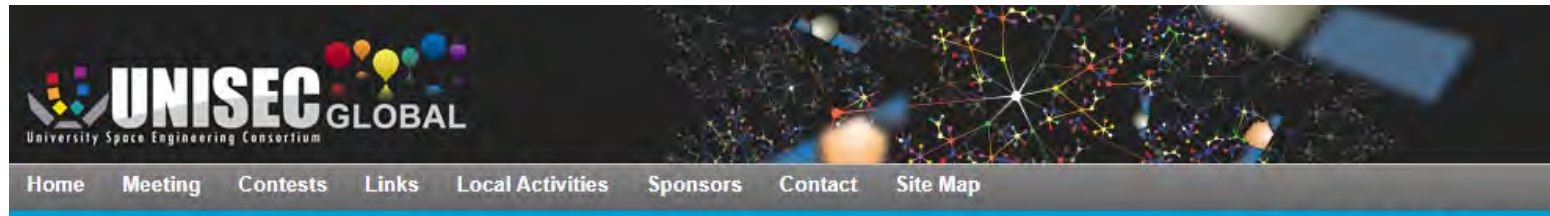
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**END OF THIS SECTION ABOUT THE
HANDOVER CEREMONY**

04. Check out monthly virtual meetings of UNISEC-Global



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Virtual Meeting

The 2nd Virtual UNISEC-Global Meeting

Date: October 10, 2020

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The 1st Virtual UNISEC-Global Meeting

Date: September 12, 2020



Moderator: Mansur Celebi, Sabanci University, UNISEC-Turkey

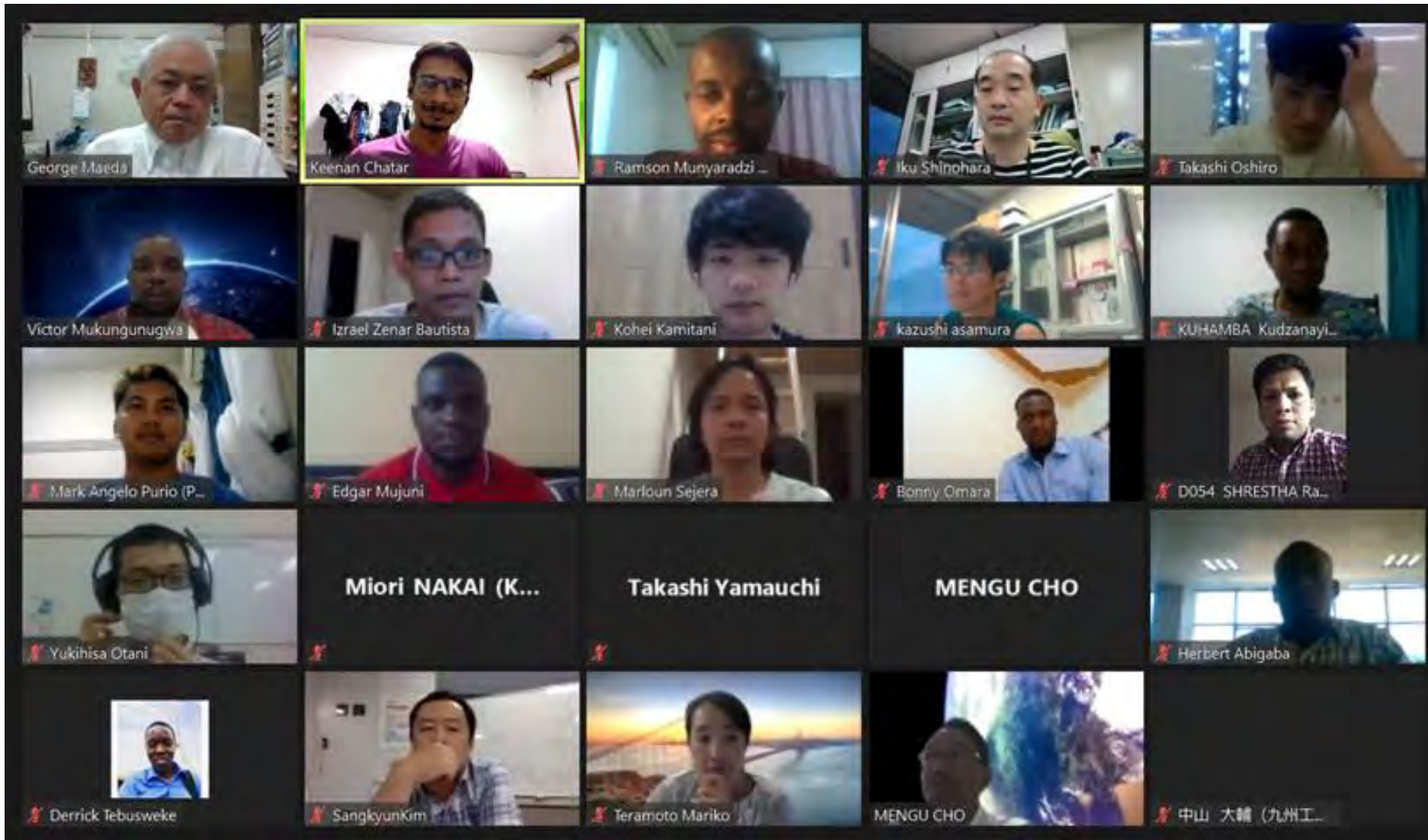
Title of presentation	Presenter
Opening Remarks	KAWASHIMA Rei, UNISEC-Global
When collaboration (cooperation) works more than competition	CHO Mengu, Kyushu Institute of Technology, POC of UNISEC-Japan
Expectation to UNISEC-Global	Mohammed Khalil Ibrahim, Egyptian Space Agency
CubeSat, Space Education in Nepal and the Question of Moving Forward	Abhas Maskey, Kyushu Institute of Technology, on behalf of POC of UNISEC-Nepal (in the founding process)
How COVID-19 is affecting the new space and how engineering education can be realized in difficult time?	JUANG Jyh-Ching, National Cheng Kung University, POC of UNISEC-Taiwan

UNISEC-Global is now conducting monthly virtual meetings – info is maintained at the link below. Come join these meetings!

You can download the presentation files of the past.

For future meetings go here: <http://www.unisec-global.org/virtual-meeting.html>

05. BIRDS-5 MDR occurred on 29 September, 16:20-20:30



MDR
means
Mission
Design
Review

It was conducted via
ZOOM with all
members of BIRDS-5

KC	Keenan Chatar (Me)		
	Bonny Omara (Host)		
1F	102b Fahd Moumni		
DN	Daisuke Nakayama (Cho-lab D1)		
DT	Derrick Tebusweke		
EM	Edgar Mujuni		
	George Maeda		
GG	grsi grsi		
HA	Herbert Abigaba		
H	Hind		
IS	Iku Shinohara		
KA	kazushi asamura		
KK	Kohei Kamitani		
KK	KUHAMBA Kudzanayi Timothy		
MA	Mark Angelo Purio (Philippines) - KyuTech		
	Marloun Sejera		
MC	MENGU CHO		

06. Highlighting Japan: Sept 2020 Issue, by the Government of Japan

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HIGHLIGHTING
Japan

September 2020
FABULOUS FABRICS

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– THEME FOR September
FABULOUS FABRICS
Fabric weaving and dyeing techniques have a long history in Japan and have been integral to the development of a sophisticated fashion culture epitomized by the kimono as well as numerous other unique fabric forms. In this month's Feature, we take a close look at some of the representative fabrics of Japan and their wide range of uses.

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FEATURES

Japanese Fabrics and the Evolution of the Kimono
An interview with Nagasaki Iwao, Professor in the Department of Textile

Fabrics of Japan

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BIRDS-4 Monthly Newsletter

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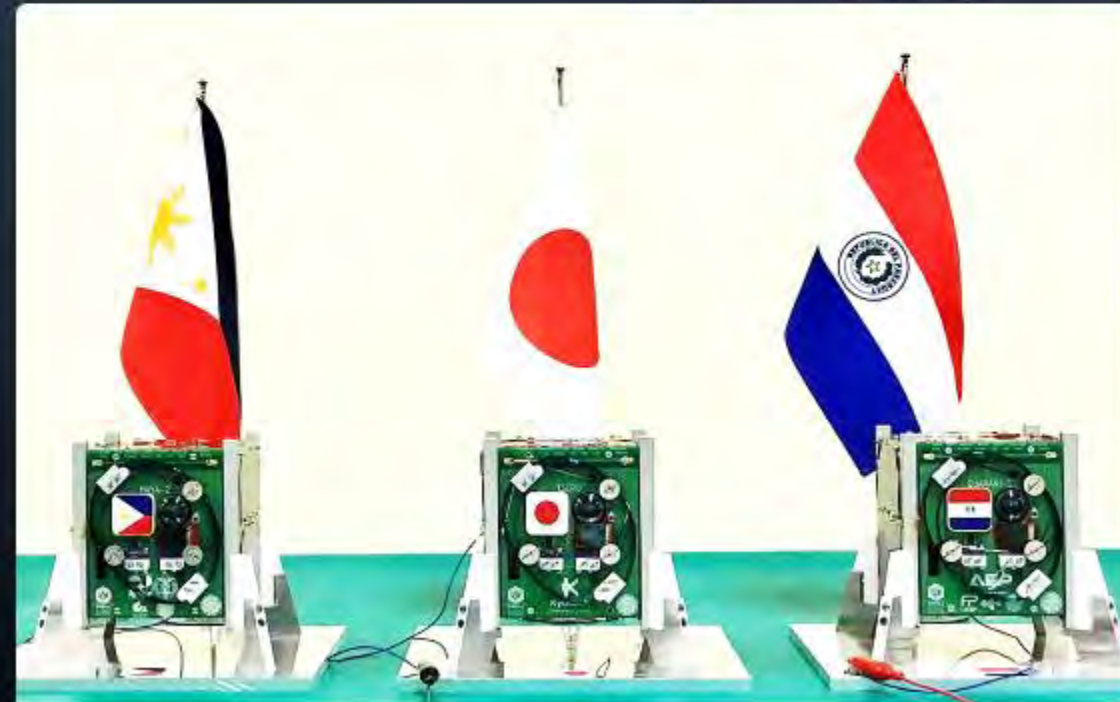
Submitted to the editor on 12 Oct 2020



1. Adolfo Jara & Anibal Mendoza stuck in Los Angeles

2. BIRDS-4 Handover Ceremony In Kyutech (Member Perspective)

3. BIRDS-4 Delivery to JAXA



Adolfo Jara & Anibal Mendoza stuck in Los Angeles

As we both have some issues to board our last flight from Los Angeles to Tokyo Haneda, we stayed in LA for 2 more nights.

In addition to the frustration of loosing our flight, we saw the opportunity to do some tourism in the very well know city of Los Angeles..

We rented a car, and went to different locations around the city.

The cheapest place we found to eat, was McDonnald's, so we ended up buying from there most of our food.



Article by:

Anibal Mendoza



Adolfo Jara & Anibal Mendoza stuck in Los Angeles

We had the opportunity to visit the walk of fame, Santa Monica beach, SpaceX, a park near the Hollywood sign, among others.



Article by:
Anibal Mendoza



BIRDS-4 Handover Ceremony in Kyutech

It was one of the bright days not only for Kyutech but for Japan, Philippines and especially Paraguay. Each of these countries has a ready satellite to-be-launched those will raise their countries flags into space.

On 24th of September 2020, in Nakamura Hall in Tobata campus of Kyutech, the handing over ceremony was held. People and stakeholders have attended the event virtually because of COVID-19 situation but many came in person.

Hosted by the president of Kyutech Prof. Yuji Oie, the Paraguayan Ambassador Mr. Raúl Florentín Antola was the guest of honor of that important day.



Several news agencies and media personnel have attended the event and they have reported it the following day.

The event was attended by very esteemed and high-level guests representing agencies and institutes from all the participating countries.

BIRDS-4 members were attending wearing the distinctive team jacket. They accompanied the guests and showed them the facilities and the infrastructures where the satellites were designed, assembled and tested.

The project manager presented a speech showing the project details.



Article by:

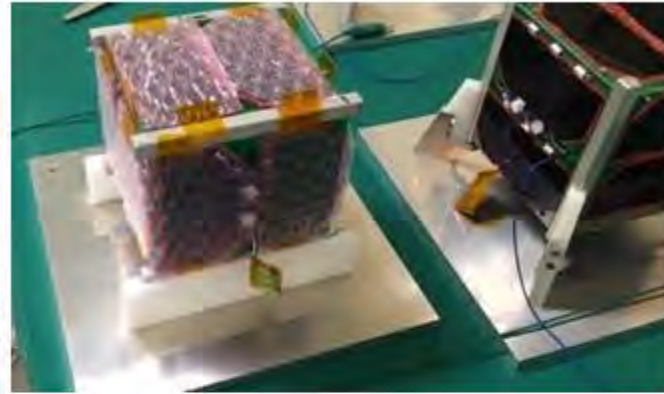
Yasir Abbas



BIRDS-4 Delivery to JAXA

Over a week after the handover ceremony, the BIRDS-4 satellites were scheduled to be delivered to JAXA at Tsukuba, Ibaraki. Delivery preparations include charging the satellite batteries and carefully wrapping with bubble wrap before putting inside the pelican case.

Satellites being prepared the day before the travel to Tsukuba, Ibaraki



Article by:

Marloun Sejera,
Izrael Bautista &
Yuma Nozaki



BIRDS-4 Delivery to JAXA

On October 5, we took a five-hour Shinkansen ride from Kokura station to Tokyo station, then another one hour train ride to Tsukuba station.

We were able to meet Hisatsugu who is now working in Ibaraki. We had dinner at a Yakiniku restaurant and ate some delicious Japanese meal



~6-hour travel from Kyutech to Tsukuba. We were able to see Mt. Fuji.

We travelled around 1000 km in less than 5 hours.

Shinkansen is really amazing!



Yakiniku dinner with Hisatsugu, BIRDS-4 member who graduated last March.



Article by:

Marloun Sejera,
Izrael Bautista &
Yuma Nozaki



BIRDS-4 Delivery to JAXA

The following day, we took a 10-minute bus ride going to JAXA Space Center. The contact person met us in-front of Bldg. W4. Inside the cleanroom, JAXA media and other personnel welcomed us. The satellites were then carefully taken out from the case, and removed the bubble wrap. Photos of each panel of the satellites were taken, fit check in JSSOD, weighing the satellites, and visual inspection were performed. After all were done, JAXA officer handed us the Certificate of Acceptance for each satellites. Group photos and interview with Izrael and Nozaki were the final part of the event.



Some more photos during the satellite delivery.



Article by:

Marloun Sejera,
Izrael Bautista &
Yuma Nozaki



BIRDS-4 Delivery to JAXA

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Happy with the result, the rest of the day were spent visiting JAXA Space Center Museum and Tsukuba Expo Center. Bought some souvenirs too to commemorate our trip and delivery to JAXA. We hope the satellite would be safely launched to ISS in the early quarter of 2021.



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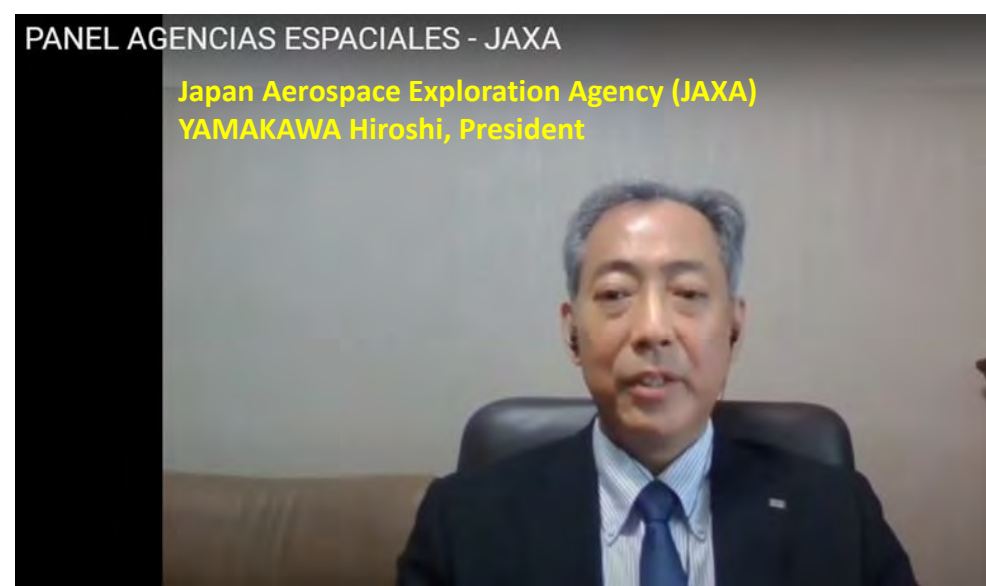


08. President of JAXA provided a message for Paraguay's 4th Space Conference



4th Space Conference of Paraguay

The president of JAXA gave a 3-min speech on the occasion of Paraguay's 4th Space Conference (occurs in conjunction with WSW).



Kyutech and Paraguay's first satellite are mentioned in this speech.

View the video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mhXjLoqKhj8&feature=youtu.be>



09. Second virtual meeting of UNISEC-Global occurred on 10 October 2020

The 2nd Virtual UNISEC-Global Meeting

Date: October 10, 2020

Time: 22:00-24:00 (Japan standard time, (GMT+9))

Please check your time: (<https://24timezones.com/difference>)

Moderator: MAEDA George, Kyutech, UNISEC-Japan

(subject to change, as of Oct 8, 2020)

(JST)	Title of presentation	Presenter
22:00-22:05	Welcome and Opening remarks	KAWASHIMA Rei, UNISEC-Global
22:05-22:25	Introduction to the 7th Mission Idea Contest (MIC7) - Deep Space Mission Challenge	NAKASUKA Shinichi, the University of Tokyo
22:25-22:55	Mission Design for Deep Space Nano/Micro Spacecraft Utilizing Lunar Orbital Platform-Gateway Opportunities	OZAKI Naoya, JAXA/ISAS
22:55-23:25	Breakout discussion and sharing	Moderator: MAEDA George, Kyutech
23:25-23:40	Current situation and future plans of Lebanese universities space programs	Amin A.Haj-AI, Lebanese International University, POC of UNISEC-Lebanon (in the founding process)
23:40-23:50	Acknowledgement of new local chapter and new members	KAWASHIMA Rei
23:50-24:00	Announcement, Closing	

The 2nd virtual meeting of **UNISEC-Global** occurred on 10 Oct 2020 and we enjoyed a fantastic turnout.





**Nate,
helped the
moderator a
lot**

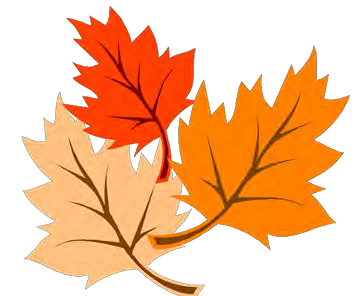
G. Maeda, the moderator

Dr Amin, a presenter

Rei, host of this event

Dr Ozaki, a presenter

**Prof. Nakasuka
was also a
presenter, but he
had to leave for
another meeting**



Participants – continued on the next page



Participants from all over the world



← This is Prof. Nakasuka during his presentation about MIC-7



Garvey McIntosh (NASA), guest commentator



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Rei, Host of
this event

A video frame showing Dr. Naoya Ozaki, the 2nd presenter, speaking. The background is a presentation slide with a space theme.

SSS JAXA

Mission Design for Deep Space Nano/Micro Spacecraft Utilizing Lunar Orbital Platform-Gateway Opportunities

Naoya Ozaki
Institute of Space and Astronautical Science,
Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency

2020/10/10

Dr Ozaki, the 2nd presenter



Naoya Ozaki

A video frame showing Dr. Amin Haj-Ali, the 3rd presenter, speaking. The background is a presentation slide for the Space Program Initiative in Lebanon.

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SPACE PROGRAM INITIATIVE IN LEBANON

CURRENT SITUATION AND FUTURE PLANS OF

Amin Haj-Ali, Ph.D.
Dean, School of Engineering
Lebanese International University
Member of the Lebanese Space National Committee
UNISEC-Global Lebanon POC
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Dr Amin, the 3rd presenter



Amin Haj-Ali

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the Zoom Help Center article titled "Enabling breakout rooms". The URL in the address bar is <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/206476093-Enabling-breakout-rooms>. The page features the Zoom logo and navigation links for "SALES", "PLANS", "JOIN A MEETING", and "CONTACT SUPPORT". A "Sign in" button is visible in the top right. On the left, a sidebar lists various help topics such as "Getting Started", "Audio, Video, Sharing", "Zoom Rooms", and "Related articles". The main content area displays a video player with the title "Video Breakout Rooms" and the Zoom logo. The video player includes a play button, a "Watch later" option, and a "Share" button. The Windows taskbar is visible at the bottom of the browser window, showing the time as 16:45 on 2020/10/11.

Do you also want to do Breakout Sessions in your ZOOM events?

It is easier than you think.



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Welcome! New Local Chapter

UNISEC-Thailand

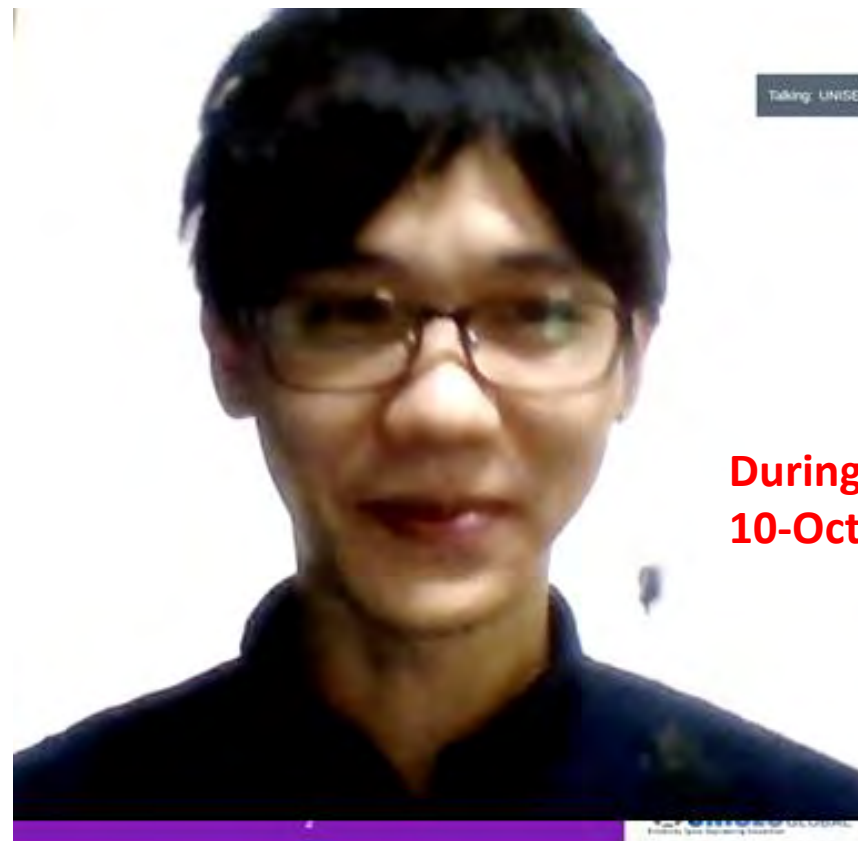
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 - Responsible Professor: Dr.P
 - Student Representative: Mr.
- Khon Kaen university
 - Responsible Professor: Dr.Numpon Mahayotsanun
 - Student Representative: Mr.Pavaret Preedawiphat
- Prince of Songkla University
 - Responsible Professor: Dr. Vasan Jantarachote
 - Student Representative: Ms. Saowapa Meerabeab



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Rei welcomed
UNISEC-Thailand
--- newly established
local chapter



During the
10-Oct. meeting



Responsible professor at KMUTNB:
Dr Pom (Dr Phongsatorn Saisutjarit)

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KING MONGKUT'S UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY NORTH BANGKOK

2nd Virtual UNISEC-Global Meeting Notes

– by Nathan "Nate" Taylor, Adelaide, Australia.

Note: Future meetings can mute participants on entry as an option to be selected in the Zoom account.

22:00-22:05 Welcome and Opening remarks KAWASHIMA Rei, UNISEC-Global

- Why can't humans go back to the moon or deep space missions?
- New chapter celebration

22:05-22:25 Introduction to the 7th Mission Idea Contest (MIC7) -

Deep Space Mission Challenge; NAKASUKA Shinichi, the University of Tokyo

- Began 2010, Winner mission ideas, ISS
- Deep space science and exploration mission
- Problem solving importance Design | Functions : Inverse problems
- Problem solving skill training, motivation, teamwork (Satellites are mission success problem solving) Goal -> scenario -> orbit -> spacecraft : Requires multiple disciplines
- Rationale: LEO field established already, deep space missions provide frontier spirit and require additional technological innovation providing opportunities for learning. Small satellites are viable for DS missions.

QUESTIONS

Christian Chavez: Dear Dr. Nakasuka, thanks for the motivating talk. Question: It is possible to propose a mission mainly based on trajectory analysis only? To what extent should be cover the AOCS, EPS and other subsystems?

- Can split system designs into sub-teams

Thameur Chebbi: Dr. Nakasuka, following your interesting presentation, I would like to know what are the must have nanosatellite technology that should be equipped with for a deep space mission?

-Accommodate inner thrusters, communication system should be long wave system

Marco Romero: Thanks a lot Dr. Nakasuka the body to be visited is a decision factor ? following that the toll used or the mechanism used for the trajectory analysis or the System Design is also considered on the evaluation ? Or only the accuracy of the data used and output produced ?

The body to be visited is not a decision factor, but the scientific value for visiting this body is to be evaluated. If you have special design and analysis tool which are your own original things, please show that in the contest. If that is very interesting and useful, it will give additional points to your works.

22:25-22:55 Mission Design for Deep Space Nano/Micro Spacecraft

Utilizing Lunar Orbital Platform-Gateway Opportunities; OZAKI Naoya, JAXA/ISAS

- Lunar orbital platform Gateway (utilize for DS mission objectives) Artemis One mission > 10 cubesats to deep space each year.
- UNISEC has helped develop many satellites we can achieve deep space missions
- Halo orbit can be found around a Lagrange with different energies. Gateway will be in L2 Halo orbit
- Halo orbit is unstable but easily reachable and escapable. Halo orbits are preferable for communications. NRHO energy orbit never experiences eclipse.
- Utilise Lunar swing-by. Can select stable trajectory on manifold orbits to transfer to L1/L2. Landing on Lunar surface requires large delta V (approx 2.5 km/s) and can be calculated via 2-body problem and orbital-invariance-energy conservation law
- Can transfer via solar-tidal force to reduce delta v (approx 10 m/s).
- Gateway metro map shows how to transfer to different orbits (to be made available).



QUESTIONS

Thameur Chebbi: Mr. Ozaki, comparing LOP-G and HTO, what are the main advantages of the matter one, if we consider both for a deep space mission in terms of costs and time?

Stella: Q: What was the major reason for choosing the Halo orbit for the Gateway station?

The accessibility of the Halo orbit requires a small delta-v and the communications are easy. Can also cover the side of the moon not visible from the Earth.

22:55-23:25 Breakout discussion and sharing Moderator:

MAEDA George, Kyushu Institute of Technology, Tobata, Japan.

Discuss Agenda – One representative selected per room.

Room 1: It is a good idea and good opportunity. The moment is right.

Room 2: Utilise existing supply and collaborative projects international to bolster capability of emerging nations.

Room 3: Right time. UNISEC is the right platform to start the discussion as emerging nations don't have the access. This course will be motivating for university students. Build capacity.

Room 4: Happy for the plan but hesitant as collaboration of nations needs to be improved. Many universities are not part of the program.

Room 5: Collaboration and competitions. Communications and limited launch capability and complexities of systems. Developing countries may be outside of the scope (balancing budgets) getting them involved in LEO first is more important.

Room 6: Emerging nations can participant with ground stations for projects and they can also help develop software and include collaboration of universities. Networking from UNISEC is important.

Room 7: Communication is the largest issue.

Room 8: Emerging nations should develop operational capabilities and help develop these missions with nanosatellites may motivate young engineers.

Room 9: Difficult for emerging nations to contribute substantially for deep space missions. More expertise, facilities and collaboration is required. This will also bolster these nations capabilities.

Room 10: Developing countries can also participate via collaborations. Increase education benefits for emerging nations. Astronauts to support missions to develop launch capabilities.

23:25-23:40 Current situation and future plans of Lebanese universities space programs

Amin A.Haj-Al, Lebanese International University,
POC of UNISEC-Lebanon (in the founding process)

Lebanon has a UN centre located in Jordan. Space activities date back to the 1960's (1962 Cedar III rocket. National centre of remote sensing (did not own satellites and relied on external sources).

Objectives: Develop capacity building; Establish Space Program Governance (LNSC)
Future plans: Run online courses in space and nano-satellite technologies; Develop specialized entry level multidisciplinary online courses (for Lebanese universities). Develop joint Master degree.



23:40-23:50 Acknowledgement of new local chapter and new Members; KAWASHIMA Rei

23:50-24:00 Announcement, Closing

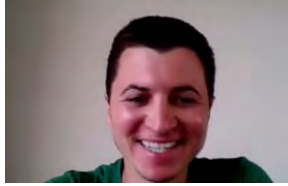
Dr Ozaki: New experience hearing that Gateway is too early for emerging nations. The Gateway opportunity is important for future missions and its availability is limited. Launching deep space missions will be much easier with Gateway.

A.I. Solutions (corporate sponsor of UNIGLO) :

From Moataz Abdelazi... to Everyone:1:26 AM

<https://ai-solutions.com/freelyer/freelyer-university/>

My email is Moataz.abdelazim@ai-solutions.com



Comments from participants (written in *Chat*)

From Eric Dominic Ma... to Everyone:1:27 AM

I just want to express my gratitude. It's my pleasure being here. ❤️❤️

From Rene Laufer to Everyone:1:27 AM 🙌😊

From Oliver Sierra to Everyone:1:27 AM; thank you verdad much!

From Eric Dominic Ma... to Everyone:1:28 AM; Feels like everyone is connected to each other. 😊☐

From Cristian Chavez... to Everyone:1:28 AM

Thanks for the nice meeting dear Rei, just want to say that today is my birthday, so I promise to send you (all of you) a picture of the pie!

From Chris Welch to Everyone:1:29 AM

Thank you all and thank you to Rei for today. Looking forward to the next one. And happy birthday to Christian!

From Berny Weiss to Everyone:1:30 AM; thanks for all!

From John Mark Calfo... to Everyone:1:30 AM; thank you for the meeting.



From Berny Weiss to Everyone:1:30 AM
Love the meeting and it's a good thought to make
it a regular meeting! love to Participate

From Cristian Chavez... to Everyone:1:30 AM
Thank you very much!! What a nice way to celebrate it!

From Reynel Josué Ga... to Everyone:1:31 AM
Thank you very much! The break out sessions were a great idea!

From Satoru.Kurosu@l... to Me: (privately)1:31 AM
Hi Nate, nice seeing you. Take care!

From evely raguindin... to Everyone:1:31 AM
Good night. So excited to be part of UNISEC

From Marco Alvarez R... to Everyone:1:31 AM
It is a pleasure to meet you each month!

From Min Thet Zan to Everyone:1:31 AM
Good night

From Naoya Ozaki to Everyone:1:31 AM
Good night!!

From Eric Dominic Ma... to Everyone:1:32 AM
Yeey ♡

From Thameur Chebbi to Everyone:1:32 AM
Good Night all

END OF COMMENTS

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**The next UNISEC-Global
virtual meeting
is
Saturday, 14 November 2020**

Mark your calendar !





OLAYINKA'S WORLD

10. Olayinka's World – Column #20

COLUMN NO 20

Monthly space news from Nigeria

OLAYINKA FAGBEMIRO

ASSISTANT CHIEF SCIENTIFIC OFFICER, NATIONAL SPACE RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

AGENCY (NASRDA), ABUJA. NIGERIA. HEAD, SPACE EDUCATION UNIT

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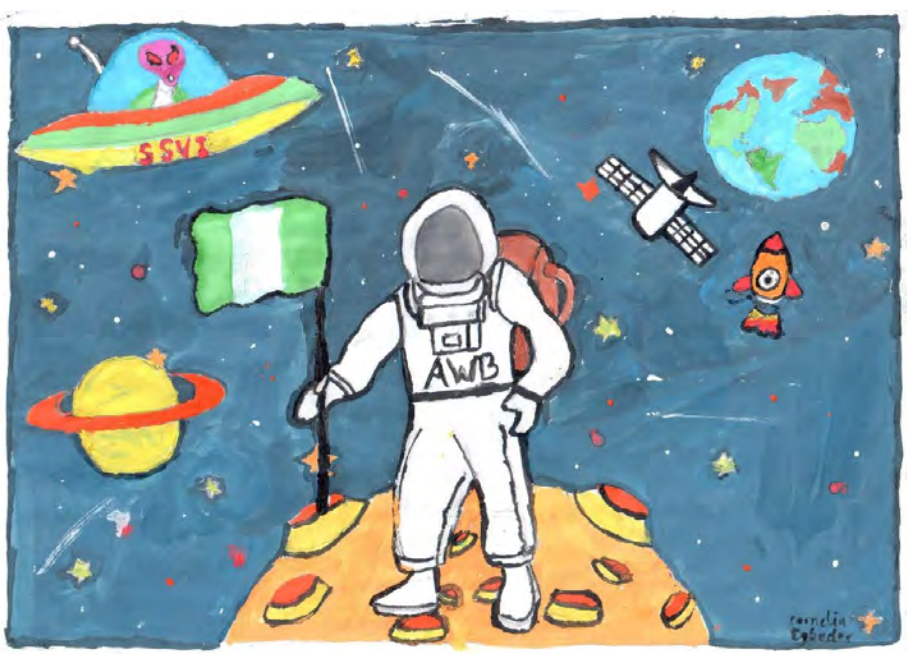
PUBLIC RELATIONS AND EDUCATION OFFICER, AFRICAN ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY (AfAS)



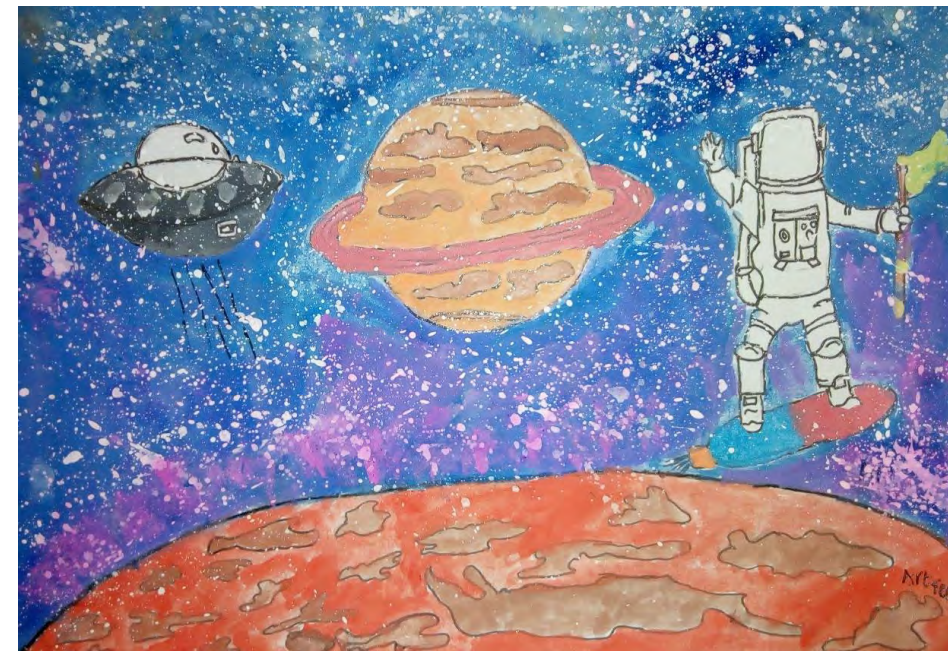
RESULT OF THE ASTRO ART CONTEST FOR ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL KIDS IN NIGERIA

The Covid-19 pandemic which resulted in a prolonged lockdown on schools across Nigeria was utilised by AWB Nigeria to launch the first ever Astro Art Contest in the country. For almost 5 months now, students at all levels remained home as schools remained shut due to soaring infection rates. This maiden Edition of the Astro Art Contest for Elementary and High School kids in Nigeria saw 164 entries sent in by participants from across Nigeria. The call for entries which opened on the 8th of July, 2020 saw an extension to the deadline from August 15 to August 31, 2020. The star prizes in this contest being SSVI homemade telescopes (Newton, refractor, two small spectroscopes) signed by the foremost Belgian Astronaut, Dirk Frimout was a great motivation for participants.

We received 164 entries which were judged by a team of 8 Space, Astronomy and Arts experts drawn from around the country. For the entries submission, participants were expected to make paintings on an A4 sized paper accompanied with a short write up (not more than 150 words) describing their art work. At the end, 6 paintings, 3 in each of the 2 categories were selected for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd positions. Entries were graded on the paintings and motivation stories. The motivation story behind each of these selected paintings are amazing!!!



Some of
the
winning
entries





RAIHANA SHAMS ISLAM ANTARA

HAS BEEN INVITED AS A JURY MEMBER OF

NASA INTERNATIONAL SPACEAPPS CHALLENGE MOROCCO 2020

- She is a KYUTECH SEIC Graduate (Graduation Year 2017)
- Member of the BIRDS-1 project; Team Bangladesh
- One of the Engineers of Bangladesh's First satellite BRAC Onnesha

- NASA and the Space Apps Global Organizing Team have made the decision to make this year's hackathon an all-virtual event
- Nearly 150 Countries/Territories participated in this challenge
- In morocco 17 teams participated for 23 Challenges
- The event was held virtually on Sunday, 4 October 2020, from 9:30 AM to 3 PM (Morocco Time: GMT+1).



NASA Space Apps 2020 official Partners



11. News from Bangladesh

JURY MEMBERS

Space Apps challenge 2020 - Casablanca Location



MRS. RAIHANA SHAMS ANTARA
SPACE SYSTEM ENGINEER AND RESEARCH ASSOCIATE

Raihana Shams Islam Antara. Is on a mission to achieve self-reliance in space technology for her country, Bangladesh and promote STEAM. She is one of the Engineers of Bangladesh's first satellite, BRAC Onnesha.

Graduated as a Space Systems Engineer, she has a background in Communications, Embedded systems and Robotics. She is a team member of the Joint Global Multi-Nation Birds satellite project acronym as "Birds Project". She has been involved in the design, development, test and operation of 5 BIRDS CubeSats. She is a graduate of CansatLeaders Training program and also the first female participant from Bangladesh.

Currently, she is working as a Research Associate in Laboratory of Space Systems Engineering & Technology (LaSSET) at the BRAC University in Bangladesh. Raihana is also an alumni of the International Visitors Leadership Program (IVLP) organized by the US Embassy.



Local Organizer



About NASA Space Apps Challenge

- International hackathon for coders, scientists, designers, storytellers, makers, builders, technologists, and others in cities around the world
- Teams engage with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's free and open data to address real-world problems on Earth and in space.
- NASA-led initiative, managed by the Earth Science Division, Science Mission Directorate, at NASA Headquarters in Washington, DC
- Over 26,000 people from nearly 150 countries joined together in Space Apps 2020

Space Apps 2021 is scheduled for **October 2-3, 2021!**

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STELLAR JURY MEMBER

Space Apps 2020 Challenge

presented to

Raihana Shams Islam Antara

In special appreciation for efforts to take
action to solve challenges on earth and in space

Casablanca Location Oct 2nd - 4th 2020



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SPACE APPS
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← Certification
from NASA to
Antara for serving
as a jury member
of this app contest.

End of this report from
Bangladesh

12. News from Paraguay: How BIRDS-4 collects insect data from the field to combat Chagas disease

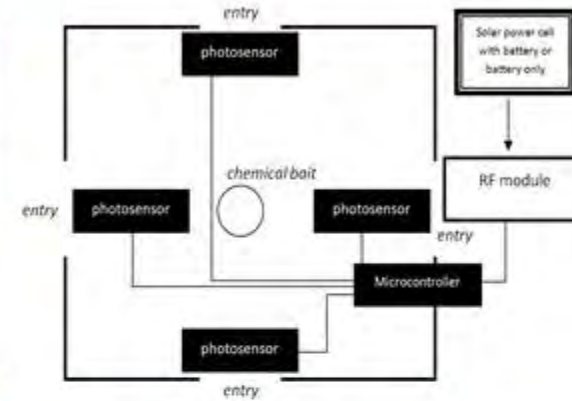
The following 2-page report was submitted by Adolfo Jara (BIRDS-4, Paraguay) on 13 October 2020.

For any region of the world, if cell phone coverage is available then you can collect data remotely. However, if that coverage is missing, then satellites are the only way to fill that gap. And most of the world's oceans lacks cell phone coverage. -- Editor.

Early warning system of Bed bug re-infestation. How does it work?

BIRDS4 Store and Forward mission will collect data from sensors located in Paraguay, but what kind of sensors are they and how do they work?

Between 2016 and 2017, an autonomous detection system for bed bugs (the main transmission vector of Chagas disease) was developed and tested in the field. The traps with sensors have been installed inside the houses and in chicken coops. Infrared photoelectric sensors are used for detecting the insect entrance into a labyrinth trap, which has an insect pheromone attractor. Once the insect is detected the information is collected and transmitted using internet.



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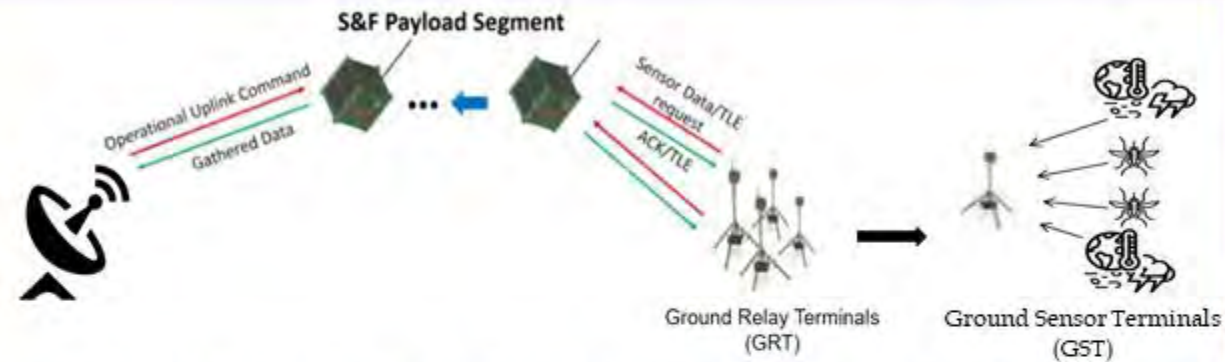
Adolfo Jara



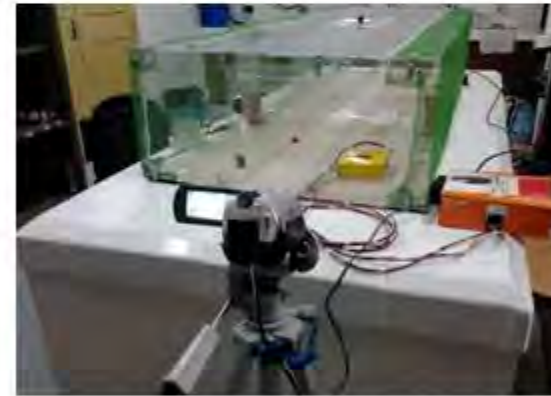
Early warning system of Bed bug re-infestation. How does it work?

The main limitation of this system was the need to be in an area with cell phone coverage to communicate the data collected from the bed bug infestation area. Through Birds4's S&F mission, it will be possible to overcome this limitation, being able to monitor remote areas without depending on cell phone coverage.

The sensor network has been improved during the last two years to make them more efficient in energy consumption, greater robustness in terms of electronic and structural assembly of the trap. The hub has been modified to incorporate satellite connectivity through an omnidirectional antenna, radio and TNC.



Proposed Store-and-Forward Lean Satellite-based Remote Data Collection System of the BIRDS-2 Project



Currently, the trapping system and the hub are performing duration tests in the laboratories of the Polytechnic School of the National University of Asunción.



Article by:

Adolfo Jara



**Submitted on 15 Oct. 2020
by the satellite team of
NUM (National Univ. of Mongolia)**



SHINOHARA Foundation, and Kansai and Mongolian Cooperation Association presented a **Telescope** to support the NUM's space activities



Prof. Tsolmon

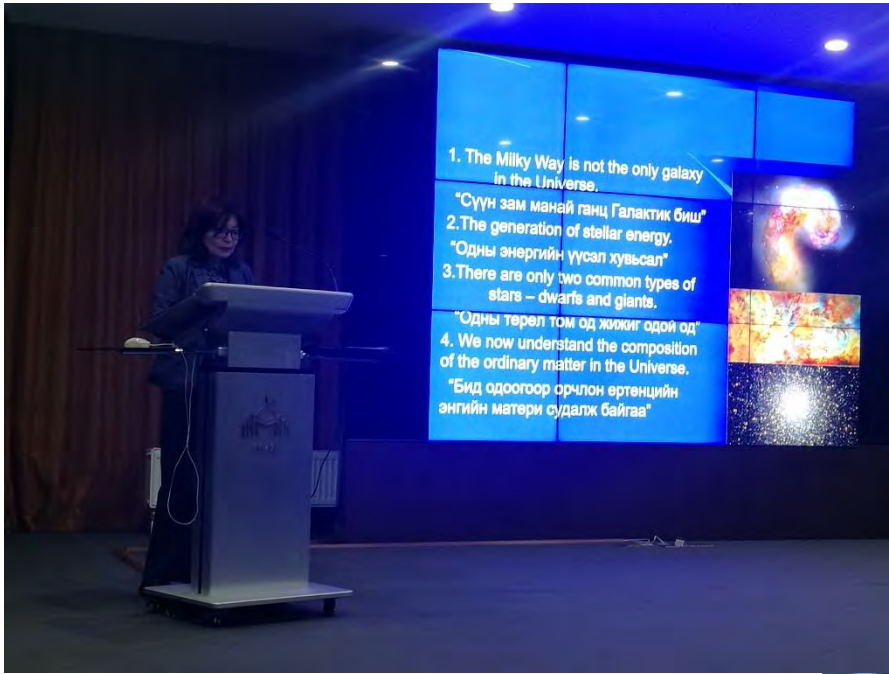


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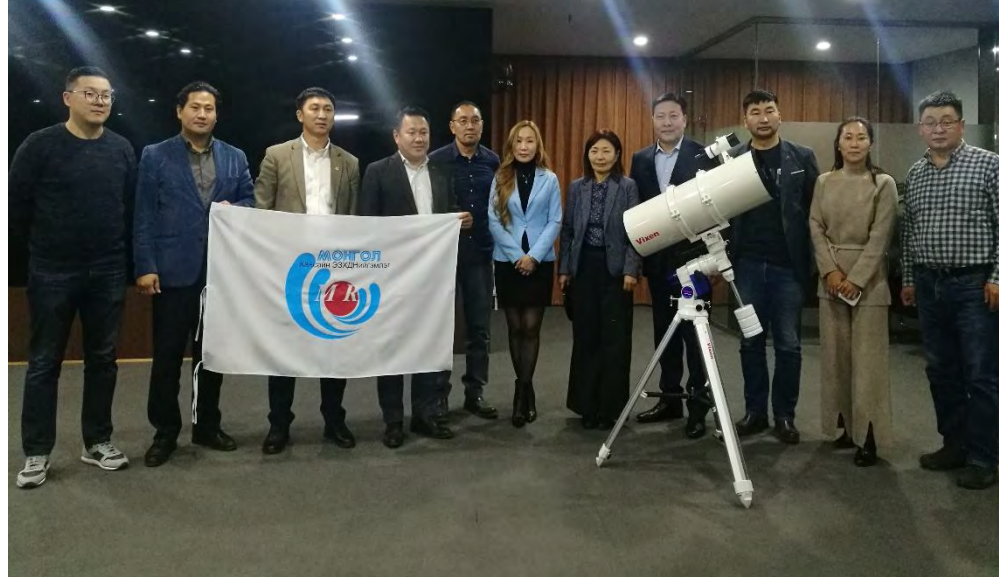


Asoc. Prof. Erdenebaatar

Mr. Batzandan, Head of the Kansai and Mongolian Cooperation Association, Prof. Tsolmon, Prof. Ulam-Orgikh, and Assoc. Prof. Erdenebaatar gave opening remarks at the ceremony.



Prof. Tsolmon presented a keynote presentation about the space science and astronomy.

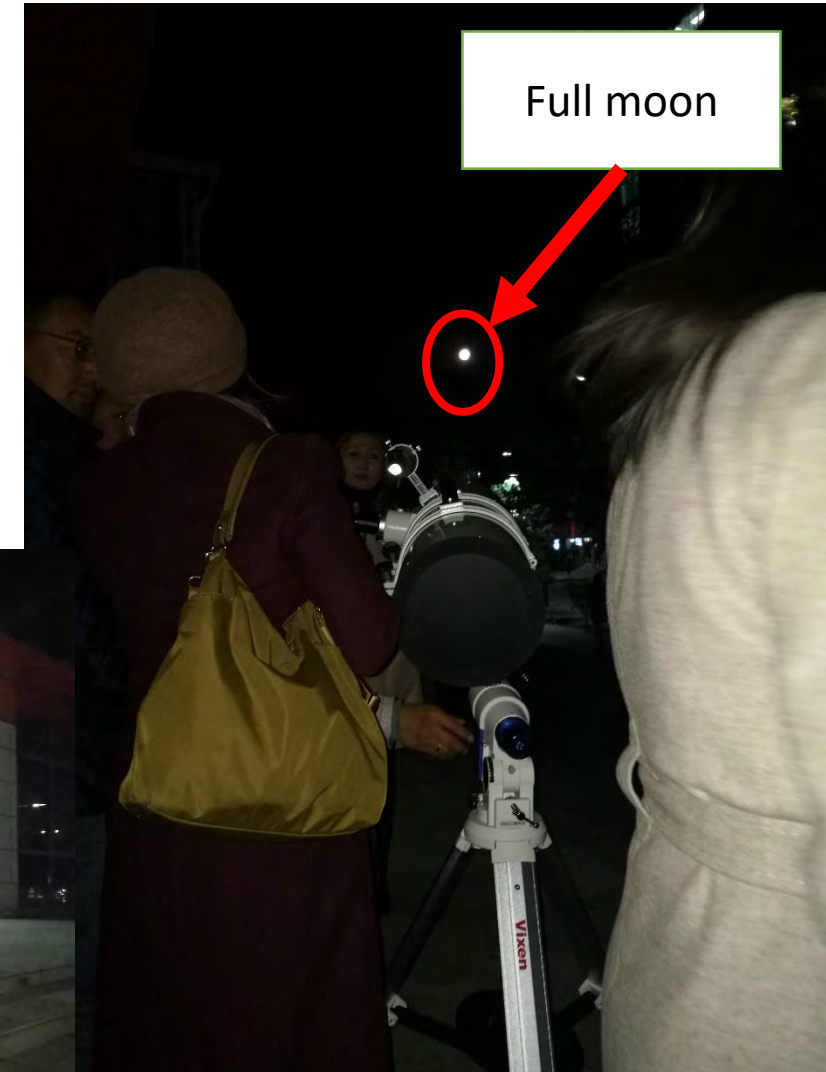


**New Telescope -
Vixen Telescope N
200/800 R200SS OTA**

Full moon observation with the new Telescope



On 1 October, 2020, The NUM's Laboratory of Space Science and Laboratory of Nano-satellite Development are organized the **FULL MOON** observation event with newly received telescope



“Temuulel satellite” project work has intensified after the long break due to Covid-19



Dr. Erdenebaatar and
Dr. Tutogtokh

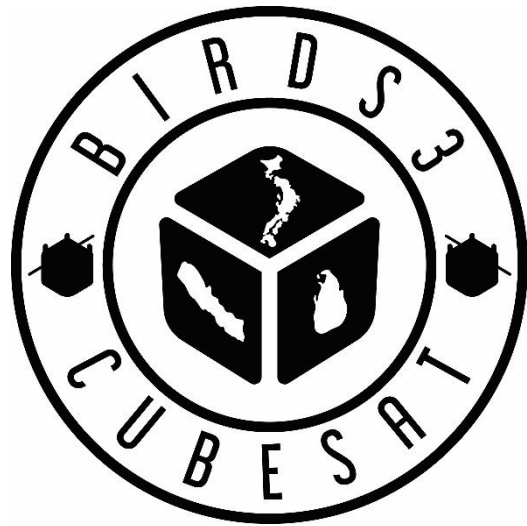


Students during the weekly project meeting

End of report from Mongolia



Global Positioning System



By Dulani Chamika

What is GPS

- Humans used the stars at the ancient time to find the directions. And we still need objects in the space to find the directions and the positions. Now we use satellites , instead of stars.
- GPS stands for Global Positioning System. It is a satellite based radio navigation system. GPS is a system made with three parts. They are satellites, ground stations and receivers.



Credit: NOAA

BIRDS-3 GPS

- BIRDS-3 used SKYTRAQ Venus GPS receiver.
- We used a ceramic antenna as shown as in the following figure.
- The antenna was fixed in the –X panel board
- A picture of the antenna board of three satellites are shown in the below picture



BIRDS 3 satellites
(showing the –X panel board)



GPS antenna



SkyTraq GPS receiver

BIRDS-3 GPS

- ***GGA - Global Positioning System Fix Data***
- ***GLL – Latitude/Longitude***
- ***GSV – GNSS Satellites in View*** are some of the formats

- We, BIRDS-3 Used GGA- Global Positioning System Fix Data. Mainly this format gives you, UTC of position in hhmmss.sss format, Latitude, Longitude, Altitude. Depend on your requirement you can choose the format.

BIRDS-3 GPS Results

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Time data from GPS from Uguisu

So the time looks similar to Reset PIC time



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15. Column #10 from Malaysia



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UiTM Sentiasa Di Hatiku
"UiTM Always in My Heart"

AN INSIGHT INTO THE MIND OF MALAYSIA'S SPACE WOMAN – Part 2

This is the last part of column sharing on the insightful words and point of views by **Professor Emerita Dato' Seri Dr. Mazlan Othman** from the interview session conducted on September 8th, 2020. In this column, the concern and perspective on space industry in Malaysia will be unfolded based on the field of vision from the well-known Malaysia's space woman.

Malaysia is still a developing country albeit the rapid economic development as



Fig. 1: Prof. Emerita Dato' Seri Dr. Mazlan Othman
(source from pakej.com)

reported by Investopedia.com in its 2019 article, “Top 25 Developed and Developing Countries”. Among other major sectors that play part in the elevation of the Malaysia’s economy, space industry is still considered as a tiny sector that contributes less to the Malaysian GDP. Thus, a strategic plan for space development is required if the space sector is needed for demand.

Talking about the space sector development, Dr Mazlan opined that the country should have the good space programmes. These space programmes, at the same time, requires political will in order for it to succeed. People will always question the need(s) to have the space programme in the country as they cannot see the benefits and advantages to the society and to the government or nation. This is a normal situation even to the developed country such as



Fig. 2: The Langkawi National Observatory in Langkawi Island, Kedah, Malaysia offers the astronomy research and studies.

Source from nature.com.



Fig. 3: The view of dome screen room in National Planetarium, Kuala Lumpur that offers astronomy or planetarium screening shows to visitors.

United State of America (USA) or China, if the country wanted to carry a space programme, said Dr Mazlan.

As to perform a space programme, an approach to people such as the government and also the society is needed in order to ensure they understand the requirements of the conduct and also to secure supports, especially in terms of financial aspect. To Dr Mazlan, in order for the approach to be succeeded, the heart and the mind of the people are essential to be captured first by the person who is responsible to do the talk. So as to achieve that, it is important for the person to have commitment and passion in space field. The most vital element in that person is conviction, “...speak with total conviction in space”, added Dr Mazlan. With these elements (commitment, passion and conviction), the heart of the people can be captured as they can see through the words elucidated by us.

Dr Mazlan suggested on how to have those aforementioned elements towards capturing the people's heart and mind, the person needs to internalize and be passionate about space. "What we want out of space? Why is space important?" will be some of the questions that are needed to be asked.

The Angkasawan (a Malay word for astronaut) Program in 2007 was an idea brought by Dr Mazlan to the government when she was appointed as Director General of ANGKASA. This was an initiative of Dr Mazlan in introducing, initiating, and exposing the space field to the government and the society. It was a success when this program has opened the eyes of people in Malaysia. Honestly, I was interested to know more about space related area when I heard about this Angkasawan Program. It did capture the heart of people who listened to this idea of Dr Mazlan.



Fig. 4: Malaysian first astronaut from the Angkasawan Program, Dato' Dr. Sheikh Muszaphar Shukor Al Masrie bin Sheikh Mustapha, on the left with other crew ready for the space expedition on 10 October 2007.

Source from worthpoint.com.

The space programme involves diverse space activities including development of a satellite. If this programme is carried out, many industries or companies can get the benefits from it. Development of a satellite involves many subsystems, sensors, and components. Based on these interconnected entities, we would know the companies that could provide the expertise, facilities, and product for the development of the space craft. In return, the companies could also expand their profile in space field and get the benefits from providing the component for a satellite.

Developing a satellite does not involve a single space company, said Dr Mazlan. The involvement of other companies that could assist or provide components for the satellite development will allow the space industry to be established. The satellite is designed and then sub-designed based on the initial stage of mission planning. These sub-designs are acquired from the



Fig. 5: Logo used for the Angkasawan Program.

respective related companies. Besides, other companies that are not even related to space would also have potential in providing the needs for satellite development. This is based on the application applied for the satellite. From this, the space industry can be expanded and developed.

“We need to have tactical planning”, said Dr Mazlan in response to the exigency for space industry development. By looking at the components of the satellite required for the subsystems, sensors, and applications, we can see which companies that will be benefitted from the satellite project.

Dr Mazlan added that to build the space industry base, the technology needs to be transferred into private sector. It is because the private company or institution knows well which company they can work with for a satellite development project. This was why the Astronautic Technology Sdn Bhd (ATSB) was established under the supervision of Malaysian Ministry of Energy, Science, Technology, Environment and Climate Change (newly known as Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation).

As for the last question, Dr Mazlan was asked to give opinion on the level of knowledge or exposure required from the experts or the beginners who wanted to involve in space field. Dr Mazlan was firm that the space sector requires various fields of study background or expertise. It can come from science fields and engineering fields, as multi-talented young people are essentially significant for space

technologies development. However, based on the outlook of Dr Mazlan, as far as it can be seen, “There is disconnection between what we desire (for the space field) and what is actually on the ground”. In order to bridge the disconnection, Dr Mazlan opined that the courses offered by universities and sort of industries to nurture are required to be correlated.

Addendum:

Dato’ Seri is the title conferred by the Ruler of Malaysia upon the recipient’s great contribution to the nation.

End of Column #10



UPDATES FROM THE PHILIPPINES

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PADAYON! BIRDS-4 members from the Philippines

September 23, 2020

“Padayon” is defined in Wolff’s dictionary as to “continue doing something”.

Here’s what the Filipino members of the BIRDS-4 Project have to say upon completion of the Maya-2 CubeSat.



STAMINA⁴SPACE

The BIRDS-4 Team Members from the Philippines

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The learnings and experiences from this program will be shared when we return, with the goal of inspiring students to be part of the Philippines’ space community.

- Marloun Sejera
BIRDS-4 Project Member




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The BIRDS-4 Team Members from the Philippines

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With previously built satellites, it is this endeavor that proved that Filipinos can also do it. With the clamor to use space technology as part of solutions to solve not all but some problems encountered by our country, knowing our capability as a nation will stir innovation and creativity among future space scientist and engineering in our country.

- Mark Angelo C. Purio
BIRDS-4 Project Member




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Once we come back to the country, we hope to proliferate and share the knowledge we gained and, hopefully, with these stories and experiences, inspire young ones to pursue the same field to help our country flourish in the future.

- Izrael Zenar C. Bautista
BIRDS-4 Project Manager



PADAYON!

**STAMINA4Space congratulates
new graduates
September 25, 2020**

Congratulations to the new Department of Science and Technology - Science Education Institute (DOST-SEI) scholars who recently graduated (in alternative, completely socially-distanced ceremonies)!

Meet Dr. Julie Ann Banatao (Doctor of Philosophy in Aerospace Engineering, Tohoku University), Dr. Adrian Cabueñas Salces (Doctor of Philosophy in Engineering, Kyushu Institute of Technology, and Engr. Edgar Paolo Violan (Master of Science in Aerospace Engineering, Tohoku University).



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NASA Space Apps 2020

October 2-4, 2020

The STAMINA4Space Program was invited to be a NASA Space Apps 2020 community partner. Members from the GRASPED Project served as representatives by being mentors to the attendees of this event's hackathon.

Dr. Gay Jane Perez, STAMINA4Space (S4S) Program Leader, and Dr. Joel Joseph Marciano Jr., Director-General of the Philippine Space Agency and former S4S Program Leader, were also invited to deliver messages during the program.



Dr. Joel Joseph Marciano Jr. during his Opening Remarks for NASA Space Apps 2020



Dr. Gay Jane Perez's gave her message to NASA Space Apps 2020 community



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Remote sensing specializing in environmental science and management, geographic information systems (GIS), and Python

Julius Noah Sempio
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Romer Kristi Aranas
STAMINA4Space GRASPED
Remote sensing, spatial data formats, geoinformatics, free and open source for geospatial systems

Mentors from STAMINA4Space (Posters courtesy of NASA Space Apps Philippines)

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MEET OUR SPEAKERS!



Mark Jayson B. Felix
Space Data for Environment Monitoring

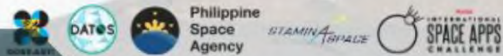
Tech Talk 1: PH Space Technologies

Mark Jayson B. Felix received his B.S degree in Physics from the University of the Philippines Baguio in 2012 and M.S. degree in Materials Science and Engineering in 2016 from the University of the Philippines Diliman. He is currently a University Researcher under the Remote Sensing Product Development Group of the STAMINA4Space Program. His current research interests include payload calibration and validation and remote sensing of coastal and inland waters

He will talk more about the **Space Data for Environment Monitoring** initiatives of the STAMINA4Space Program through the GRASPED Project.

DATA BREW 4:

Space and Ground Data for the Betterment of the Human Condition
07 October 2020



Data Brew 4: Space and Ground Data for the Betterment of Human Condition

October 7, 2020

Data Brew is a discussion forum that brings together stakeholders in the data science community. The idea is to foster knowledge- and expertise-sharing on how data science affects our various industries and visions of its future in the Philippines.

The event is organized by the DOST-Advanced Science and Technology Institute (ASTI)'s DATOS Project, in partnership with STAMINA4Space, PhilSA, and NASA Space Apps Philippines.

STAMINA4Space researcher Mark Jayson Felix presented on "Space Data for Environment Monitoring"

Poster courtesy of DATOS

In celebration of
World Space Week 2020

Start Up in Space:

Opportunities for R&D and Commercialization in the Field of Space S&T

October 8, 2020

As part of the World Space Week 2020 activities, the Department of Science and Technology's Philippine Council for Industry, Energy and Emerging Technology Research and Development (DOST-PCIEERD), the Philippine Space Agency (PhilSA), and the DOST-funded Space Technology Applications Mastery, Innovation and Advancement (STAMINA4Space) Program organized a webinar entitled "Opportunities for R&D and Commercialization in the Field of Space S&T Applications".

DOST-PCIEERD, PhilSA, and STAMINA4Space present

START UP IN SPACE

"Opportunities for R&D and Commercialization in the Field of Space S&T Applications"

OCTOBER 8, 2020
9:00 AM TO 11:30 AM



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In celebration of
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Start Up in Space

October 8, 2020

This event was attended by the member of the media and stakeholders, and was also opened to the public. Over 300 participants joined Zoom, and was live-streamed on Facebook via the DOST-PCIEERD page.

The speakers and moderators during the panel discussion and Q&A



STAMINA4Space
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Gay Jane Perez, PhD
Program Leader, STAMINA4Space
Associate Professor, UP IESM

DOST-PCIEERD, PHISA, and STAMINA4Space present
START UP IN SPACE
"Opportunities for R&D
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in the Field of Space S&T
Applications"

Dr. Gay Jane Perez during her presentation about the STAMINA4Space Program.

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1st Meeting of the Philippine Space Council (PSC) for the Philippine Space Agency (PhilSA)

October 9, 2020

The PSC (as per R.A. 11363) is mandated to recommend and approve the implementation of the Philippine space policies in accordance with international conventions, ensure appropriate allocation of resources in support of the mandates of the PhilSA, and approve strategic directions and decisions for the implementation of the PhilSA.

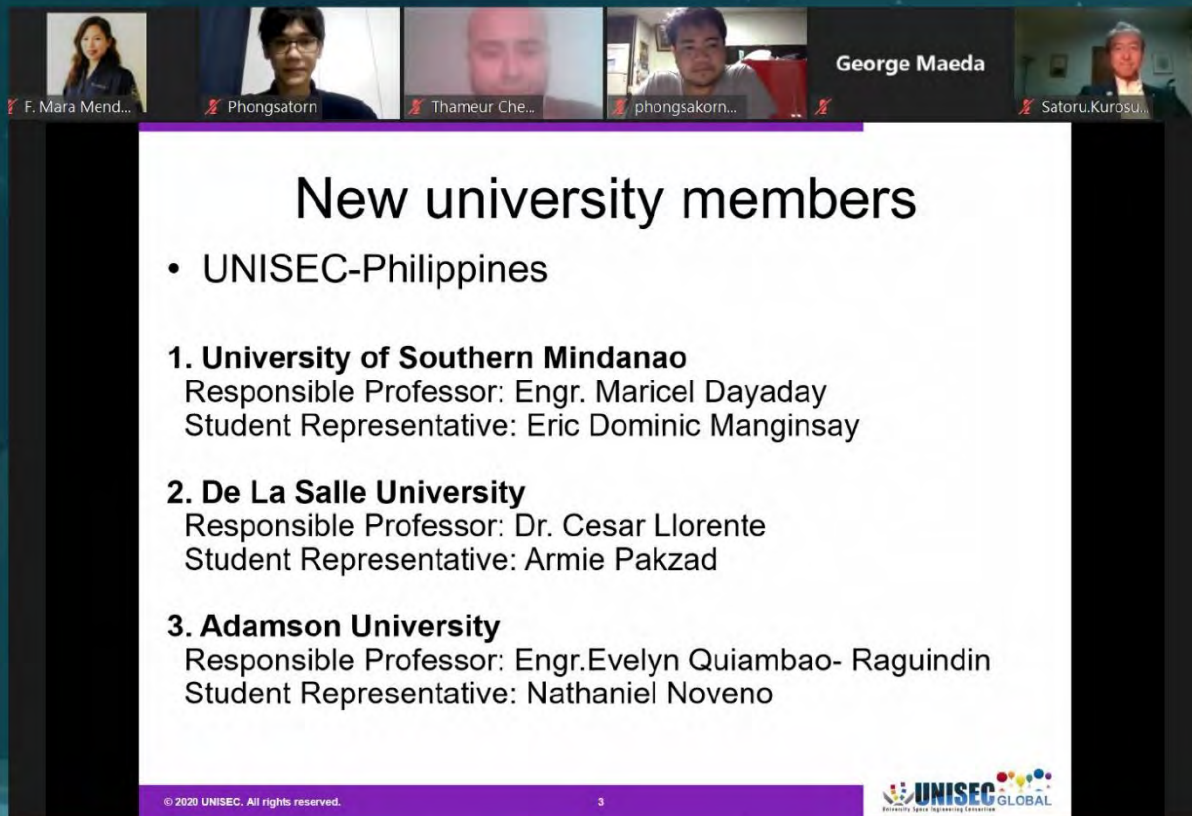
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UNISEC Global Meeting

October 10, 2020

UNISEC Philippines also attended and participated during the 2nd UNISEC Global Virtual Meeting. New member universities were also acknowledged during the meeting.



The screenshot shows a Zoom meeting interface. At the top, there are several participant thumbnails, including George Maeda. The main content is a slide with the following text:

New university members

- UNISEC-Philippines

- 1. University of Southern Mindanao**
Responsible Professor: Engr. Maricel Dayaday
Student Representative: Eric Dominic Manginsay
- 2. De La Salle University**
Responsible Professor: Dr. Cesar Llorente
Student Representative: Armie Pakzad
- 3. Adamson University**
Responsible Professor: Engr. Evelyn Quiambao- Raguindin
Student Representative: Nathaniel Noveno

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SPACE-ial Webinar

October 10, 2020

Engr. Julius Noah Sempio, a University Researcher from the GRASPED Project of STAMINA4Space, was invited to be one of the speakers of Kallisto's Webinar: "Satellites in Orbit".

Kallisto is a youth organization that hopes to educate the youth on astronomy, space exploration, and our country's very own space program.



Poster from Kallisto

In celebration of
World Space Week 2020

JULIUS SEMPIO



LIVE AT:
7:25PM – 9:30PM
Philippine Standard
Time (GMT+8:00)

Engineer Julius Noah Sempio of STAMINA4Space is a University Researcher at UP Diliman's PHL-Microsat Program. He specializes in space technology and applications, remote sensing, geographic information, and has worked on processing imagery with Filipino-made satellites such as Diwata-1.

Satellites in the Philippines

October 10, 2020



The screenshot shows a Zoom meeting interface. At the top, the STAMINA4SPACE logo is displayed with the text "Space Technology and Applications Mastery, Innovation and Advancement (STAMINA4Space) Program". The main title of the meeting is "Satellites in the Philippines". Below the title, the subtitle reads "Applications, Upstream Technologies, and Capacity Building". The speaker is identified as Paul Leonard Atchong C. Hilario, Ph.D., Chief Science Research Specialist, and his affiliation is listed as "Optical Payload Technology In-depth Knowledge Acquisition and Localization (OPTIKAL) Space Technology and Applications Mastery, Innovation and Advancement Program (STAMINA4Space)". A small video thumbnail of the speaker is visible in the top right corner of the meeting window.

Dr. Paul Leonard Atchong Hilario, STAMINA4Space Project OPTIKAL Chief Science Research Specialist, presented about satellites in the Philippines for the Philippine Astronomical Society, Inc.'s PASimula: The Emergence of Space Research and Development in the Philippines.

PASimula is part of the Philippine Astronomical Society, Inc.'s celebration of World Space Week.



The poster features the Philippine Astronomical Society logo at the top left, with the text "PHILIPPINE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY" and the tagline "Propelling astronomy education towards the achievement of scientific excellence among Filipinos." The main title is "PASimula" in large, bold letters, followed by the subtitle "The Emergence of Space R&D in the Philippines". It announces a "Free Online Seminar | PAS FB Live" on "October 10, 2020 | 1:00 to 5:00 PM". A central image shows Dr. Paul Leonard Atchong Hilario speaking into a microphone. To the right, the title of the seminar is "Satellites in the Philippines" by "Dr. Paul Leonard Atchong Hilario, Chief Science Research Specialist, STAMINA 4SPACE Optikal Project". At the bottom, it says "WORLD SPACE WEEK 2020" and includes social media handles for the Philippine Astronomical Society. The background is a vibrant space-themed image with stars and nebulae.

Photo courtesy of Philippine Astronomical Society, Inc.

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Updates from STEP-UP

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"The thirteenth step..."

October 10, 2020

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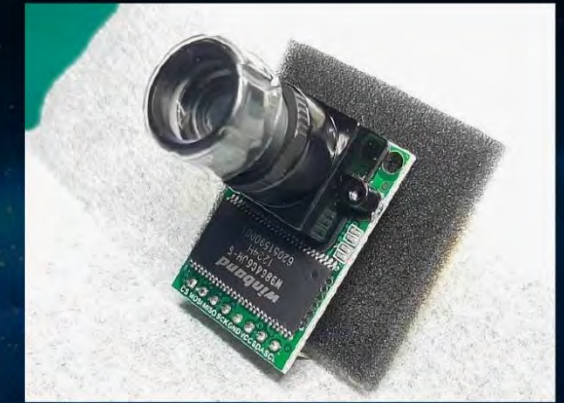
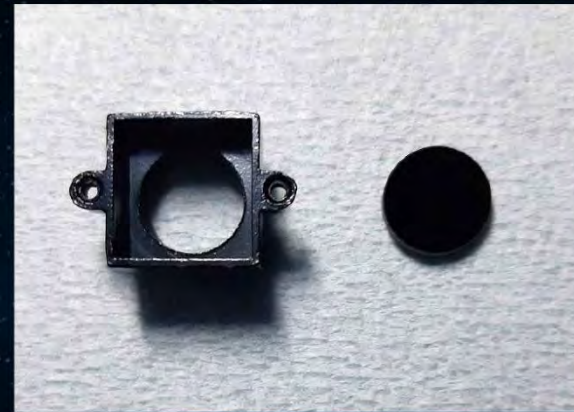
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One of Maya-4's missions is a demonstration of a near infrared (NIR) camera. The module is built upon the Arducam OV5642 5MP camera, with a longpass filter that allows the light of wavelength 665 nm and longer to pass through.

The NIR wavelength band spans from about 700nm to 1.4 μ m (compare with the visible band which spans from about 400nm to 700nm). At these wavelengths, vegetation is highly reflective. Together with a Red band, vegetation can be assessed using different indices such as the normalized difference vegetation index (NDVI). The boundary between land and water is also highlighted in this band.

The camera payload, originally an RGB color camera, is repurposed to detect NIR light by attaching a longpass filter (SCHOTT RG665). The camera lens does not include the NIR cut filter (typical for color cameras to capture only visible light) and is IR sensitive.



(Left) Longpass filter to be attached on the lens holder (Right) The assembled camera module.

On the next page is a sample NIR image taken by the camera module. The image has an overall red tint since, at this region, the red channel of the sensor is more sensitive compared to the green and blue channels. It is evident that foliage reflects NIR well, as indicated by their pinkish-white color. For comparison, an RGB image of the same scene is shown.

Maya-4 NIR Mission

Written by: Derick Canceran



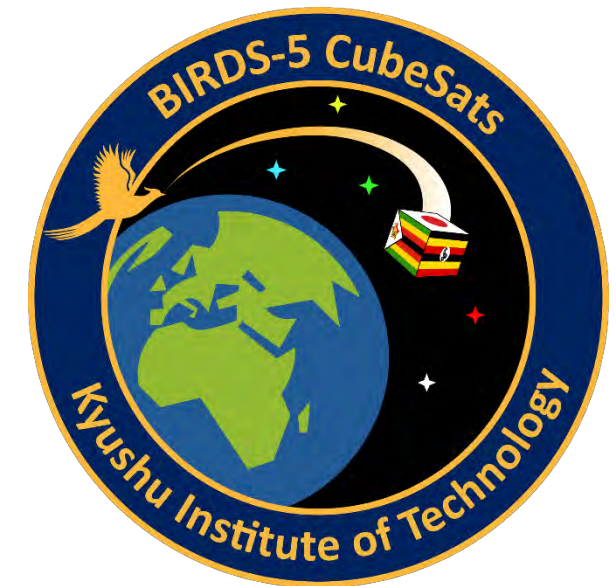
NIR image of a building about 800m away from the OV5642 camera. The camera lens has a focal length of 25mm.



RGB image of the same building taken by a phone camera

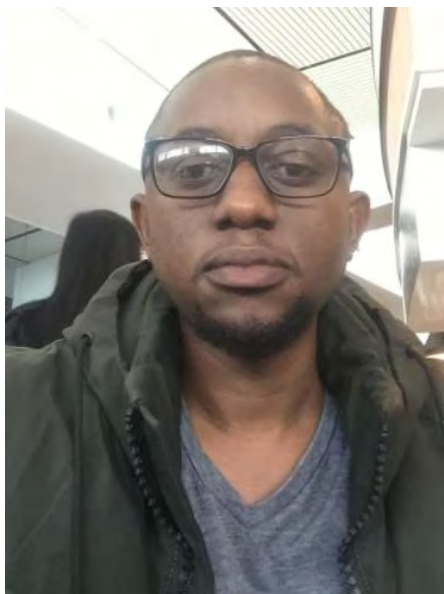
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Kyushu Institute of Technology *World Space Week 2020* Celebration Webinar

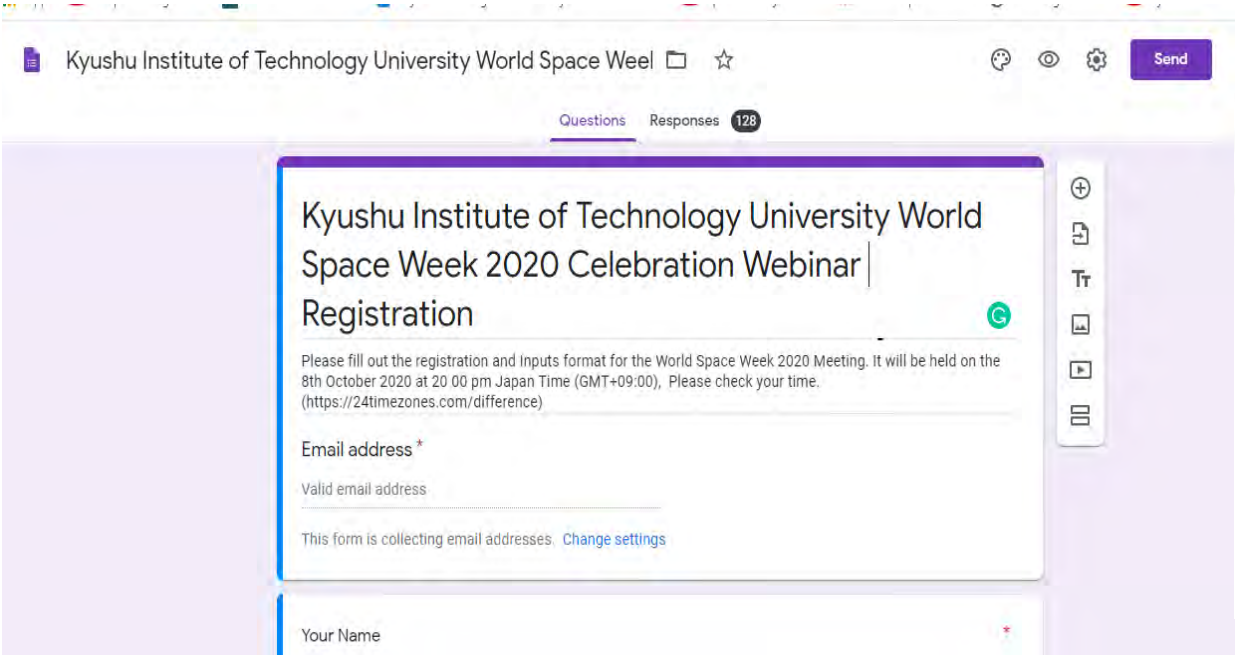


By : Timothy Kudzanayi Kuhamba

Submitted 17 October 2020



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Kyushu Institute of Technology University World Space Week 2020 Celebration Webinar Registration

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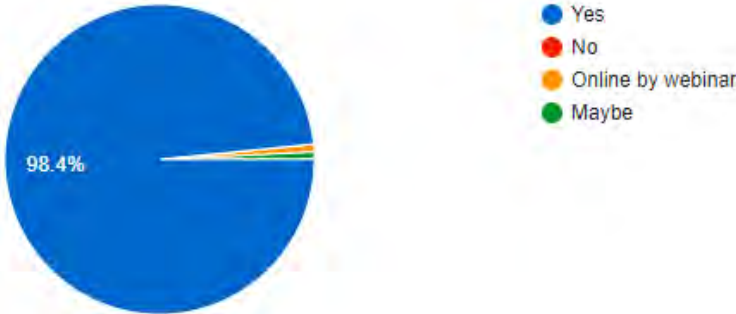
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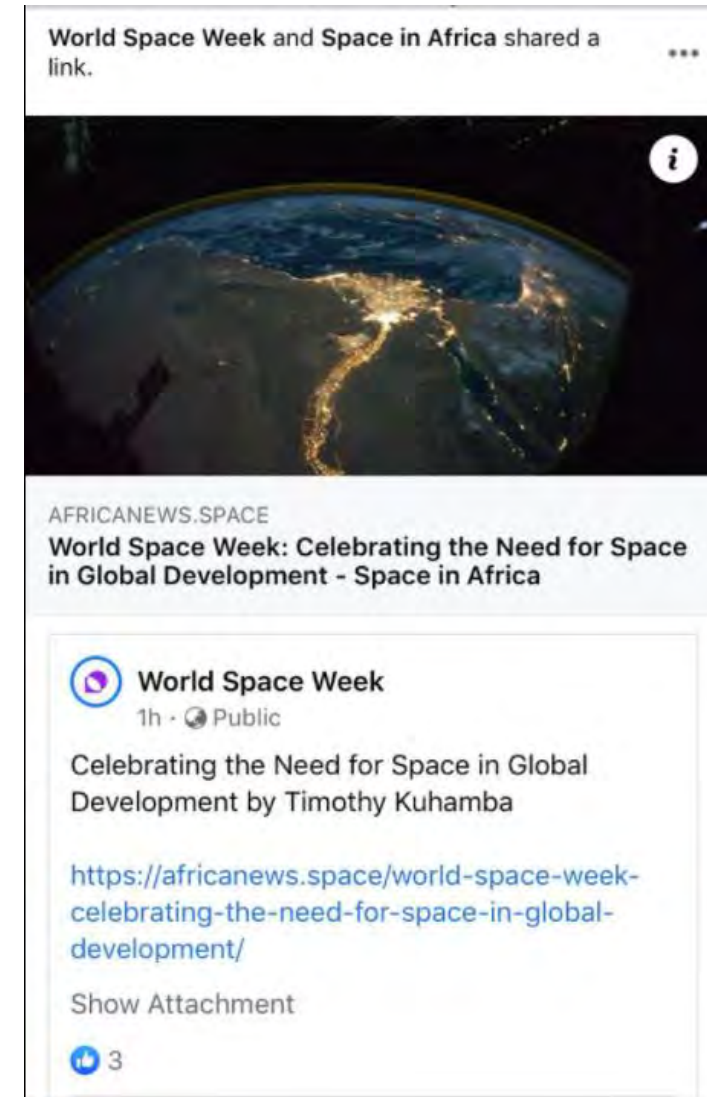
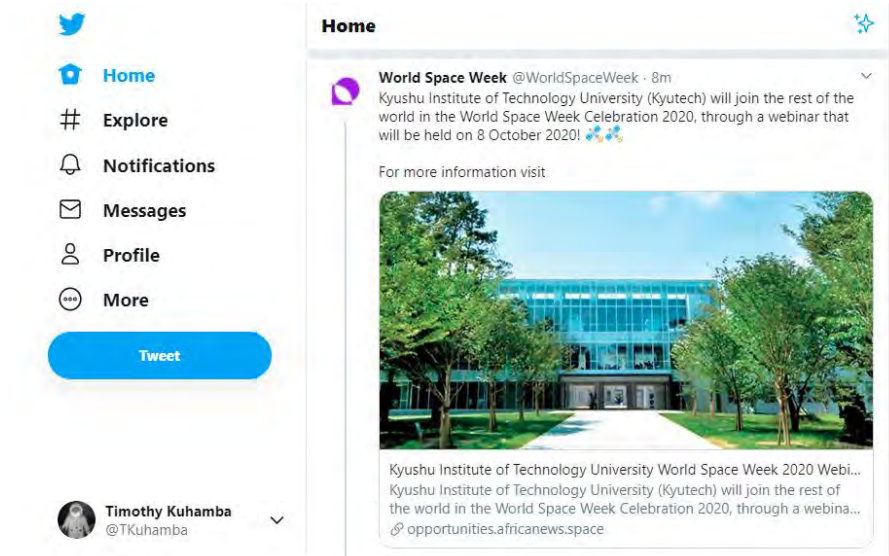
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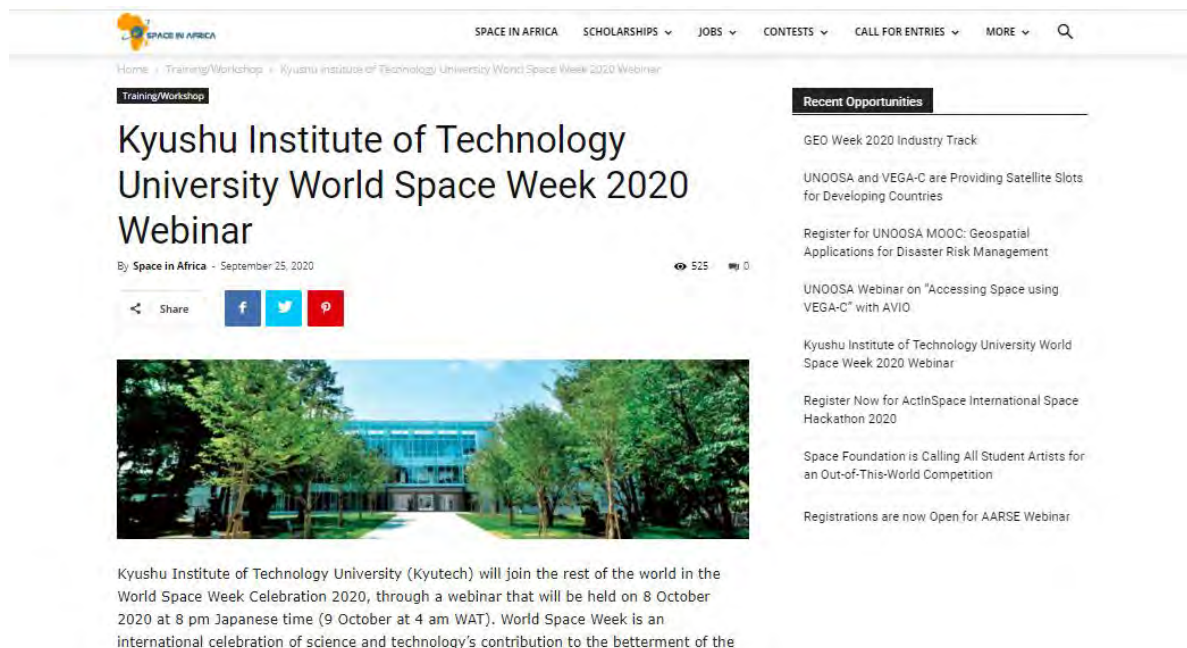
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Publicity of the World Space Week Event



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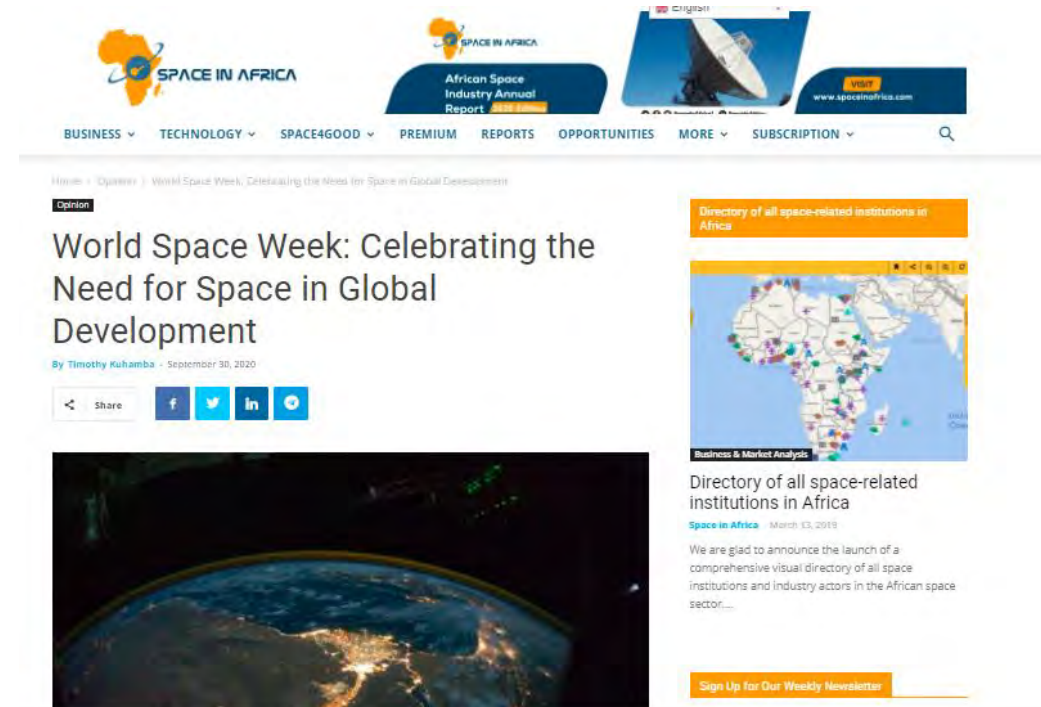
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Kyushu Institute of Technology University (Kyutech) will join the rest of the world in the World Space Week Celebration 2020, through a webinar that will be held on 8 October 2020 at 8 pm Japanese time (9 October at 4 am WAT). World Space Week is an international celebration of science and technology's contribution to the betterment of the

Recent Opportunities

- GEO Week 2020 Industry Track
- UNOOSA and VEGA-C are Providing Satellite Slots for Developing Countries
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- UNOOSA Webinar on "Accessing Space using VEGA-C" with AVIO
- Kyushu Institute of Technology University World Space Week 2020 Webinar
- Register Now for ActInSpace International Space Hackathon 2020
- Space Foundation is Calling All Student Artists for an Out-of-This-World Competition
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World Space Week: Celebrating the Need for Space in Global Development

By Timothy Kuhamba - September 30, 2020

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Directory of all space-related institutions in Africa

Space in Africa March 13, 2019

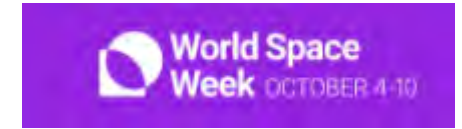
We are glad to announce the launch of a comprehensive visual directory of all space institutions and industry actors in the African space sector...

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2020 Theme: **Satellites Improve Life**



Alex Karl
World Space Week Vice President
– Partners and Programs



Theme for 2020 WSW

Important Notes from Alex's Presentation

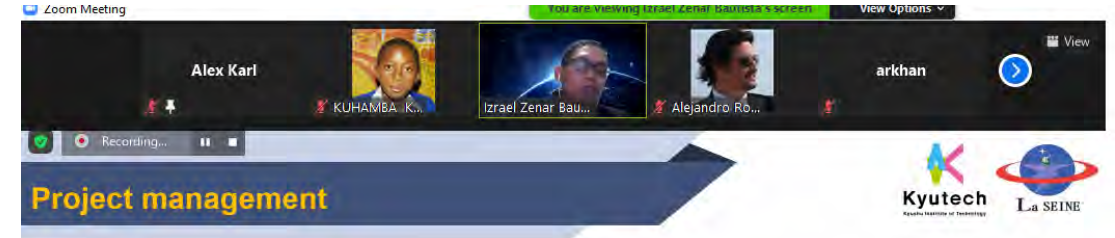
- In 2019, we recorded over 8,000 events in 96 countries;
- Events were organized by the industry, space agencies, schools, planetaria, museums, individuals and others.
- Highlighting the importance of satellites in daily life and how our lives are affected by satellites such as in communications, environmental monitoring, transportation, weather forecasting, science, and in many other ways.

The Role of Project Manager in Satellite Development Process



Israel Zenar C. Bautista

The presenter



“Process of leading the work of a team to achieve goals and meet success criteria at a specified time. The primary challenge of project management is to achieve all of the project goals within the given constraints.”*

Extract from Israel’s presentation

Important Notes from Izrael's Presentation

- Project Management in Satellite development
- Duties of a Project Manager
- Qualities of a Project Manager
 - Handles pressure well
 - Sense of responsibility
 - Decisive
 - Open minded
 - Technical knowledge is a big advantage

BIRDS 3 Missions Status and On-Orbit Results and Operations

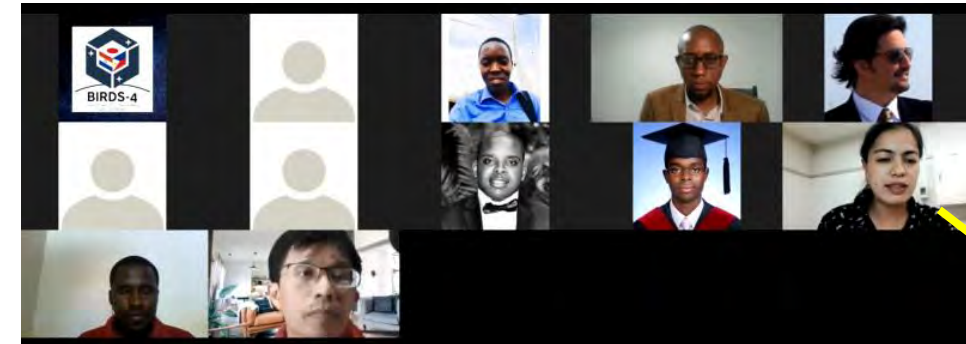


BIRDS-3 Missions, Status, On-orbit Results & Operation Management

Pooja LEPCHA
BIRDS-3
The presenter

Laboratory of Lean Satellites Enterprises and In-orbit Experiments (La SEINE),
Kyushu Institute of Technology, Kitakyushu, Japan

BIRDS-2



Pooja



Outreach (Amateur Radio) [2]



Novel 'CW-SMS' service



BIRDS 3 Satellite Project is sharing a COVID-19 Update at Kyushu Institute of Technology. May 25 · Kitakyushu, Fukuoka ·

BIRDS-3 team is launching a CW-Short Messaging Service (SMS) from today to thank Covid-19 frontline workers who have been working day and night to make sure that hospitals, service sectors and supply chains function in these difficult times.

If you have someone who you think has been on the frontlines and deserves their name to be beacons from space, please do fill the form below. Will take about a minute. We will then place his/her name onto the CW beacon that gets transmi... See More



Requests received

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Philippines	Janmig
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Important Notes from Pooja's Presentation

- CW Short Messaging Service to thank COVID -19 front line workers using amateur radio
- BIRD 3 Satellite Missions
- BIRDS 3 Operation Management system
- BIRDS Ground Station Network Support

Kyutech success stories and future plans for satellite development


La SEINE

Kyutech success stories and future plans for satellite development


La SEINE

Mengu Cho
Laboratory of Spacecraft Environment Interaction Engineering
Kyushu Institute of Technology
Kitakyushu, Japan


La SEINE

BIRDS Program

Satellite program for non-space faring countries

Mission Statement

By successfully building and operating the first national satellite, make the foremost step toward indigenous space program at each nation.

BIRDS-I (2015-2017)

JAPAN	GHANA	MONGOLIA	NIGERIA	BANGLADESH	THAILAND	TAIWAN
						

BIRDS-II (2016-2018)

JAPAN	BHUTAN	MALAYSIA	PHILIPPINE
			

BIRDS-III (2017-2019)

JAPAN	SRI LANKA	NEPAL
		

BIRDS-IV (2018-2020)

JAPAN	PARAGUAY	PHILIPPINE
		

BIRDS-V (2020-2022)

JAPAN	ZIMBABWE	UGANDA
		

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Presentation by Professor Mengu Cho

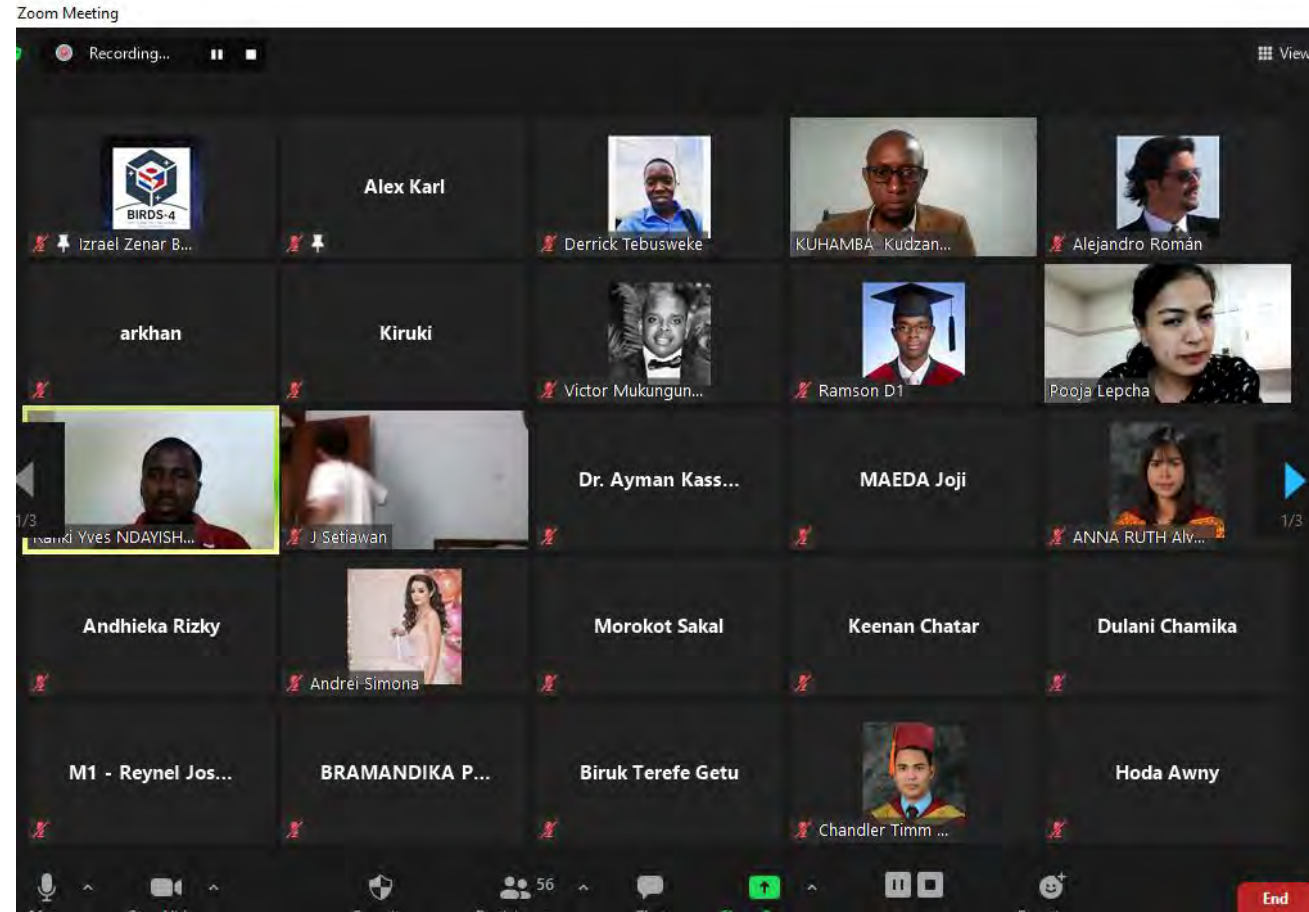
Important Points from Prof Cho's presentation

- BIRDS Project is two years
- Space Engineering Research at Kyutech
- Center for Nano satellite testing capable for doing all tests for a satellite up to 50cm dimension, 50kg mass
- Kyutech Satellite Heritage
- Capacity building (SEIC and PNST)
- 15 countries have entered space for the past three years through the BIRDS program (BIRDS-1, BIRDS-2, BIRDS-3, BIRDS-4, and BIRDS-5)

Satellites Improve Life



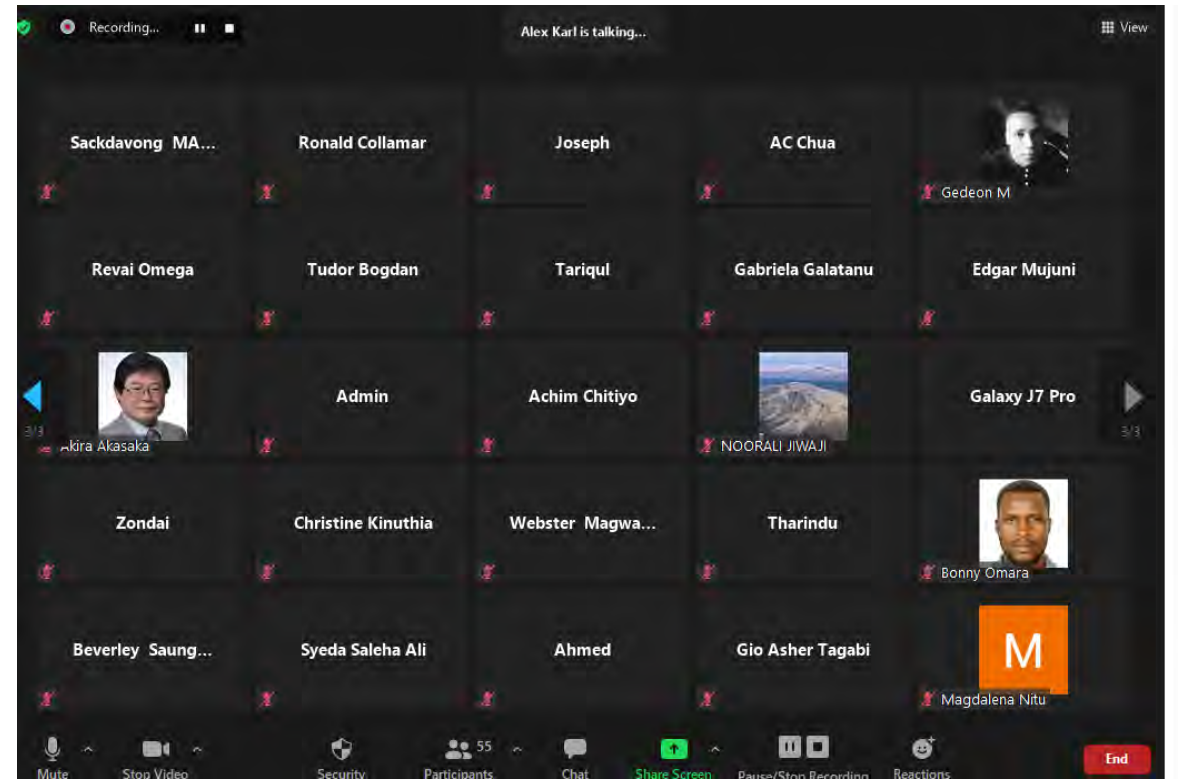
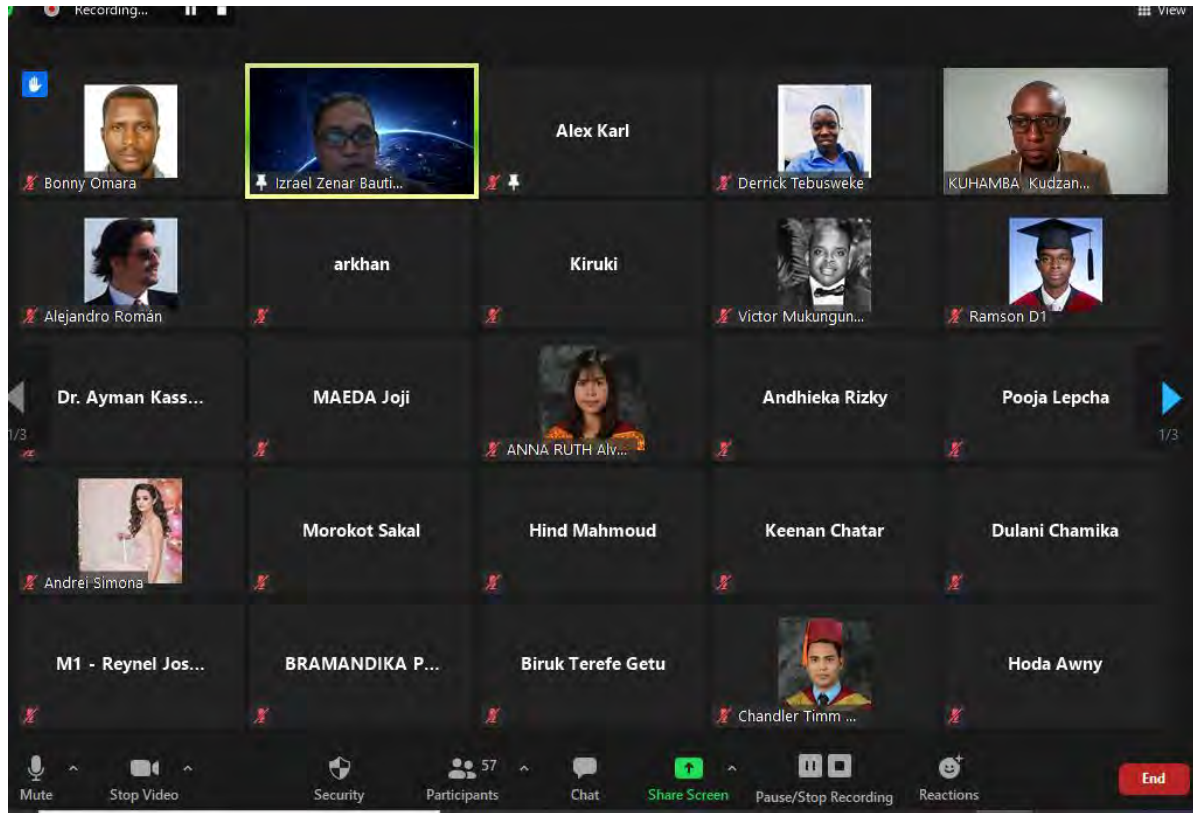
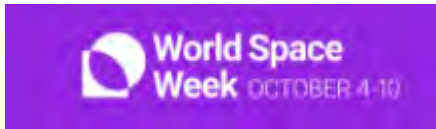
Timothy Kuhamba
– Moderator of this Webinar



Some of the Participants



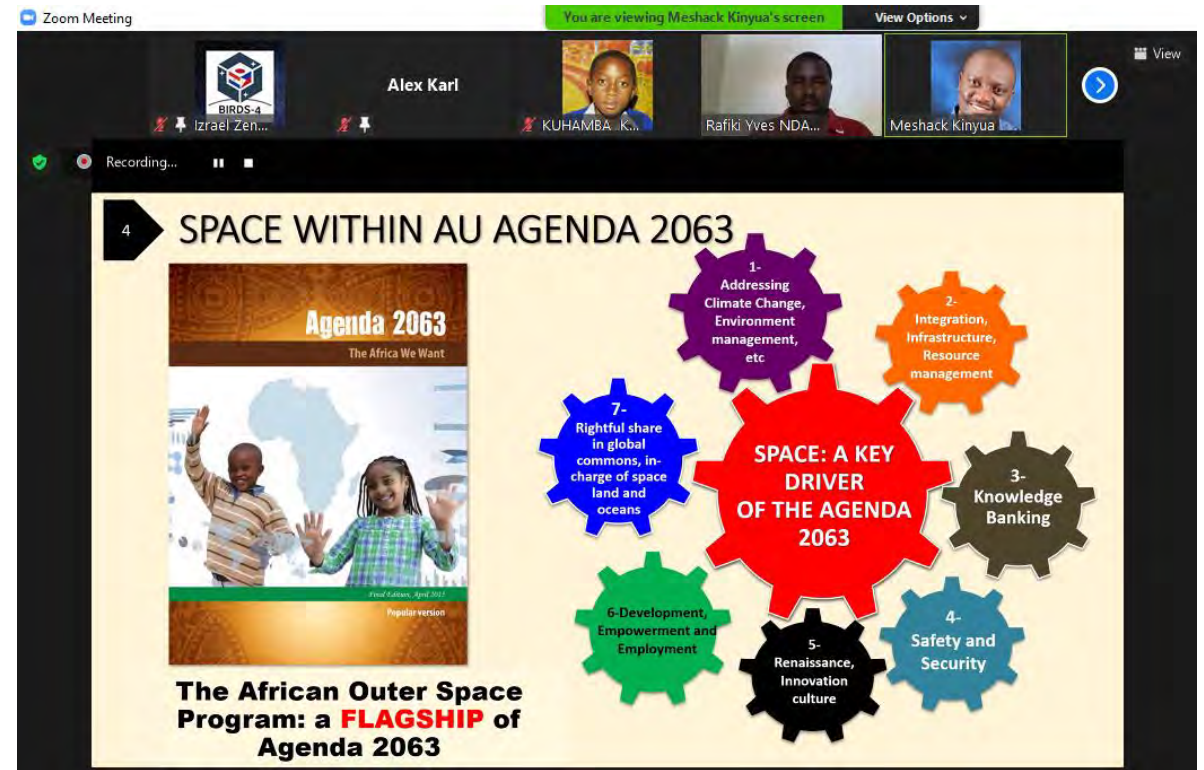
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African Union GMES programs

by Meshack Ndiritu

(GMES = Global Monitoring for Environment and Security)



Important Points from Meshack's Presentation



- African Space Policy and Strategy goals
- **GMES programs**
 - Marine and Coastal Applications
 - Monitoring and Forecasting of physical and Biological Oceanography variables
 - Fishing Zones Monitoring and Protection
 - Aquaculture Sites Monitoring and Protection
 - Coastal Ecosystems mapping and assessment
 - Ship traffic monitoring
 - Oil spill monitoring and warning
 - 3 day marine weather forecast

Land and Water Applications

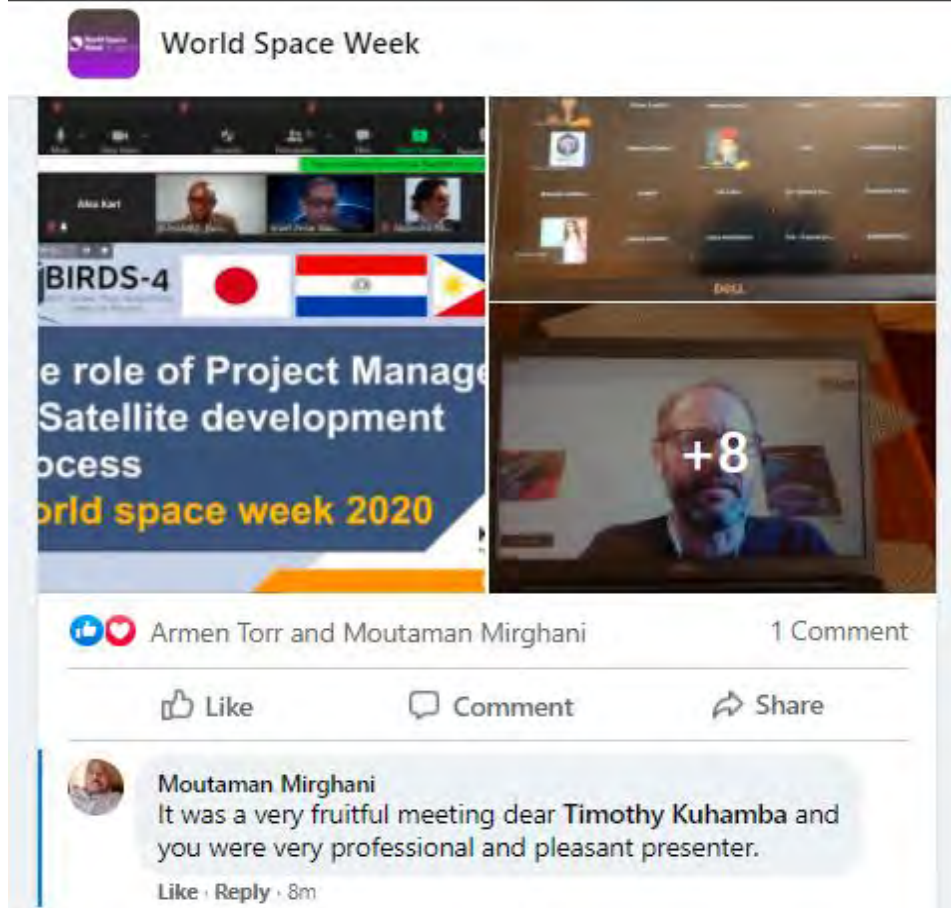


- Water Balance Monitoring
- Water level for fluvial navigability and hydrology cycle monitoring and assessment
- Riverine Floods and Assessment
- Wetlands Monitoring
- Water Abstraction Surveillance Monitoring and Assessment in Irrigated Areas
- Open Geographical Regional Reference Vector Database and Agro Ecological Zonings

Land Degradation Monitoring Assessment

- Natural Habitat Monitoring and Assessment
- Tropical Forests Surveillance Monitoring and Assessment
- Agriculture Seasonal Monitoring Early Warning and Assessment
- Pasture Seasonal Monitoring Early Warning and Assessment
- Wild Fires Seasonal Monitoring Early warning and Assessment

Feedback on the event



Dear Timothy,

As Prof. Maeda said, you put a lot of efforts into that and we appreciate you. Thank you for the very informative sessions. Now we wait for BIRD 5 to fly!

To: KUHAMBA Timothy Kudzanayi

thank you for the invite the meeting was so helpful and insightful

To: KUHAMBA Timothy Kudzanayi

Hello Timothy

Congrats for conducting the Zoom meeting very effectively. It was a very useful and eye opening meeting.

Dear Timothy,

Thank you for the invitation and hosting this nice event. Well done!

Best regards,

Alex

Timothy: The event was impressive.

The line-up of speakers was excellent. And most of all: You did a good job tonight.

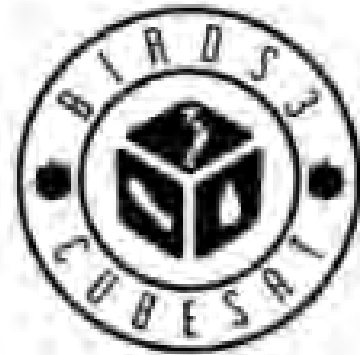
Organizing something like this is a lot of work --- thank you for doing it.

It seems you have some experience with this kind of thing! Sleep well tonight, G. Maeda.

Lessons learned in organising the event

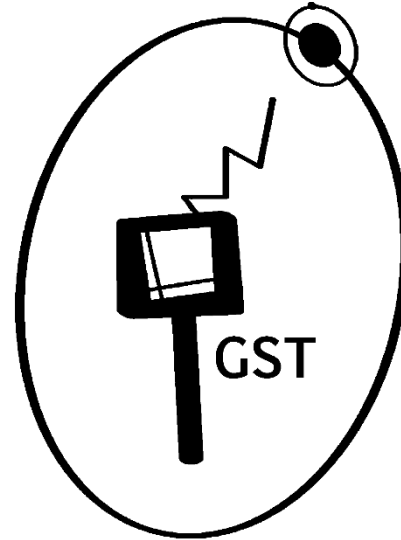
- There is a need to organize the event early and have posters for advertisement of the event
- Recording of videos for the publicity of the event
- Some participants missed the event due to the different times zones
- Send reminders to participants starting from 5 days before the event

Special thanks to the speakers Alex Karl from the World Space Week, Professor Mengu Cho, IZ Bautista, Pooja Lepcha from Kyushu Institute of Technology University, Meshack Kinyua from African Union and all the participants. To Professor Maeda and BIRDS 5 team well done for your continued support [#WSW2020](https://www.worldspaceweek.org/)



THE END





*This is a new
column!*

GST
= Ground Station Terminal

GST Column No. 1

Topic: *Introduction of GST builders*
– Pooja Lepcha, 18 Oct. 2020

For the introduction of GST,
please see **BPN Issue No. 51**,
pages 133 to 142.

https://birds1.birds-project.com/files/BIRDS_Newsletter_Issue_No.51.pdf

Currently, we have active
participants from 7 countries
developing GST in their home
countries.

Now meet our diverse team ...



From the builders...



Ke-Yen Hsu (Taiwan)

Master student of EE of NCKU, who supports operations from ground station in Taiwan.

He is also responsible for satellite communication system and Telemetry, Track & Command (TT & C) of new Cubesat project of NCKU. Now he is Taiwanese GST builder.

Application: Obtain the number of suspended particles in the air, i.e. PM1.0, PM2.5 and PM10



From the builders...



Federico Gaona (Paraguay)

I am Federico Gaona, I was born on August 25th, 1986, in Asunción, Paraguay. I am an Electronics Engineer and I have Masters in Technologies' Information. I received both degrees from the Polytechnical School of the National University of Asunción. I have been led the Electronics and Mechatronics' Research Group (GIEM) since 2011. I am in charge of the design and development of the early warning system for bedbug reinfestation, to be used in the S&F mission in Birds4.

With our GST for the KITSUNE satellite, we are pretending to measure variables of the agricultural soil, such as: humidity, temperature and electrical conductivity in order to generate valuable data for the farmers. With this project, we aim to lead our country towards a precision agriculture practice, since it represents one of the most important economic activity in Paraguay.

From the builders...



Juan J. Rojas (Costa Rica)

Juan J. Rojas is a researcher and lecturer at the Costa Rican Institute of Technology, he is a staff member of the Space Systems Laboratory and coordinates the Clean Energy Research Program. His research focus on electrical power systems and instrumentation for lean satellite projects. He received a B.S. in Electromechanical Engineering and a M.Sc in Electronics from the Costa Rica Institute of Technology and a D.Eng in Applied Science for System Integration Engineering from Kyushu Institute of Technology.

In Costa Rica, we will use the GST to measure the water level in the wetlands of [Palo Verde National Park](#). Other environmental variables will be measured as well, like humidity and temperature, among others.

From the builders...

Jeric Brioso (Philippines)

Engr. Jeric Brioso is a Research Engineer at STAMINA4Space Program's STeP-UP Project, a program funded by the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) and implemented by the University of the Philippines Diliman and DOST- Advanced Science and Technology Institute. Prior to joining the program, he worked on projects related to disaster management such as Information Dissemination using Television White Space; and Wireless Vehicular Communications. Currently, he is developing the LoRa-based ground sensor terminal for remote data collection and leading the training and undergraduate courses offering related to space science and technology applications. He also assists in the operations of UP Amateur Radio and Satellite Station wherein tracking, telemetry, and command of the country's amateur satellites are conducted.



Objectives/Applications of the LoRa-GST.

1. To demonstrate the capabilities of LoRa for remote sensing applications.
2. To complement the current remote data collections using the APRS Store and Forward of BIRDS cube satellites.

From the builders...



Nik Amirul Aiman Bin Rahmat (Malaysia)

University: Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) Shah Alam, Malaysia

Education: Bachelor of Engineering (Hons.) Electronics Engineering

Field: Satellite Communication

My role in this project

My role is to design the specification of Ground Sensor Terminal required for this project. I am responsible for the hardware and software configurations which involve the duty of selecting the appropriate main mission, antenna design, and system flow.



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From the builders...

Dibodh Lamichhane (Nepal)



Currently working in Nepal Academy of Science and Technology (NAST) for BIRDS 3 satellites Ground station including Student outreach activities for school levels. As I am very much excited and motivated for Ground sensor Terminal design and development for KITSUNE satellites after 3rd BIRDS Ground Station workshop at Kyutech Japan.

In Nepal we have many inaccessible areas in the country, weather monitoring of those places are almost impossible because of no telecommunication and internet facilities. To receive weather data from tourist areas in Himalayas and very remote areas Nepal government is paying lots of money for weather satellites of foreign countries.

KITSUNE GST Project is helping capacity development in design and development of Transceiver and antenna system in the Nepal which is going to be very much beneficial for remote weather data collection in Nepal. Weather forecasting division is also much more excited to get weather data which we can provide them in free of cost. Three times real time data in 24 hours is also very much important data for weather analysis and prediction of weather in such important and remote places of Nepal for weather and forecasting division

From the builders...



Kavindra Jayawardena, Director of Communication
Engineering

Arthur C. Clarke Institute for Modern Technologies Sri Lanka
Contact: 0094717071813, Email: kavindraaccimt@gmail.com
Experience: 22+ years, project management, embedded control systems
Tasks in this duty: Technical advice, Remote system implementations, integration, stakeholder coordination



Samantha Pushpakumara, Research Scientist

Arthur C. Clarke Institute for Modern Technologies Sri Lanka
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Experience: 18+ years, project management, embedded control system, design development of embedded control system firmware
Tasks in this duty: Design development of hardware for sensor interfacing, communication protocol, the main system of embedded control solution, Remote system implementations, integration

From the builders...



Kaveendra Sampath, Electronics Engineer

Arthur C. Clarke Institute for Modern Technologies Sri Lanka

Contact: 0094772985395, Email: radkaveen@gmail.com

Experience: 8+years, project management, embedded control system, design development of RF communication hardware and antennas

Tasks in this duty: Design development of hardware for communication protocol connected RF systems, Remote system implementations, integration

G. D. N. de Silva, Assistant Engineer

Arthur C. Clarke Institute for Modern Technologies Sri Lanka

Contact: 0094776590944, Email: dinushadesilva@hotmail.com

Experience: 18+ years, hardware troubleshooting, RF testing, system implementation, and integration

Tasks in this duty: Testing the main system of embedded control solution, Remote system implementations, integration

From the builders...



Rohana Dasanayaka, Act. Director/ Information Technology

Arthur C. Clarke Institute for Modern Technologies Sri Lanka

Contact: 0094714414489 Email: rohanadasanayaka@gmail.com

Experience: 20+ years, Computer Networking, Data Processing and Programming

Tasks in this duty: Data Processing, server connectivity and Integration



That ends the introduction of GST builders for now.
The next issue of *GST Column* will feature progress
of GST development in each country.

Stay tuned!!



The space
agency of
Paraguay

Media coverage in Paraguay of the BIRDS-4 Handover to JAXA

Submitted on 8 Oct. 2020 by:

Enrique Niels Martinez - Communications Director, AEP

Alejandro Roman - General Director of Aerospace Development, AEP



Echoes of the BIRDS-4 Handover Ceremony in Paraguayan press.

Enrique Niels Martínez – Communications Director

Alejandro Román – General Director of Aerospace Development

Publications from the office of the President of the Republic of Paraguay and from his Excellency the President himself, congratulating AEP and all the institutions involved for the Handover of the first Paraguayan Satellite.



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Paraguay dio un paso en la carrera espacial, sostiene el titular de la AEP

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Afecta a unos 300 camiones

Cargas de bananas y carne refrigerada están varadas por bloqueo en Clorinda

PÁGINA 32

Alta puja por conseguir camas para casos Covid

Saturación. Hasta de centros privados piden traslado al sector público porque ya no pueden pagar los costos. Hay otros 16 fallecidos.

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Mundo

Paraguay da un paso más hacia la carrera espacial con el GuaraniSat-1

El primer satélite paraguayo, GuaraniSat-1, entrará en funcionamiento en los primeros meses del próximo año. Su primera misión será la prevención del mal de Chagas en el Chaco paraguayo.

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Entregan satélite paraguayo a la Agencia Espacial de Japón

Esta noche (hora de Paraguay) se realizó la entrega oficial del GuaraniSat1 a la Agencia Japonesa de Exploración Aeroespacial (JAXA) que lo pondrá en órbita a principios del 2021. El dispositivo, diseñado y construido por dos ingenieros paraguayos en el Instituto de Tecnología de Kyushu (Kyutech), Japón, cumplirá varias misiones, entre ellas, el monitoreo del mal de Chagas en el Chaco Paraguayo.

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abc NACIONALES Entregan satélite paraguayo a la Agencia Espacial de Japón



El embajador Raúl Florentín Arróla en la que se conoce como "sala limpia" con el satélite entregado a la JAXA, análogo de la NASA, de los Estados Unidos.

La entrega del dispositivo es la certificación de que este cumple con todos los estándares tecnológicos de hardware y software para ser puesto en órbita. Este es el resultado de la cooperación académica y científica entre ambos países. Este modelo de trabajo también ha beneficiado a otros países como Filipinas, que también entregó un dispositivo en dicho acto a la JAXA.

Misiones

GuaraniSat1 cumplirá diez misiones, entre ellas, la principal el monitoreo del mal de Chagas en la zona del Chaco paraguayo. Asimismo, será pionero en testear un nuevo tipo de pegamento de los paneles del nanosatélite de manera a abaratar los costos de construcción de uno, ideal para los países en desarrollo. También innovará en una nueva modalidad de antenas, pues la propia estructura del cubo satelital fungirá de transmisora.

Según el cronograma se espera que en el primer trimestre del 2021, el GuaraniSat1 entre en órbita y así se consolide este proceso que ha sentado las bases de la carrera espacial del Paraguay con futuras misiones que ayuden al desarrollo tecnológico de nuestro país.

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El éxito de este proyecto se debe al inmenso sacrificio y dedicación de estos jóvenes ingenieros y además al invaluable apoyo y compromiso de la AEP, que no escatimó esfuerzos para llevar a cabo su plan del «Paraguay al Espacio», que tiene como objetivo incluir a nuestro país en un programa de formación de capacidades internacional.



La ceremonia contó con la participación del embajador del Paraguay en Japón, Raúl Florentin, y el acto fue seguido de manera virtual por el canciller nacional, embajador Antonio Rivas Palacios; el presidente de la Agencia Espacial del Paraguay, Cnel. Liduvino Vieldman; la Rectora de la Universidad Nacional de Asunción, Prof. Dra. Zully Vera de Molinas, entre otros.

El embajador Florentin, el Cnel. Vieldman y el presidente del Instituto Tecnológico Kyutech, Yuji Oie, hicieron uso de la palabra para resaltar la importancia de esta fecha histórica para el Paraguay y el valor que tendrá para la formación de recursos humanos altamente capacitados en Paraguay. Pusieron énfasis en la importancia de continuar el proyecto y avanzar en la construcción de próximos nanosatélites con las más avanzadas tecnologías.

Una vez en órbita, el GuaraniSat-1 desarrollará 10 misiones el próximo año. Una de ellas consiste en el monitoreo del mal de chagas en nuestro país.

Paraguay se encuentra sumamente agradecido con el Japón, con la Agencia Japonesa de Exploración Aeroespacial (JAXA), con el Instituto Tecnológico Kyutech y con los jóvenes ingenieros de la AEP por este inmenso logro, manifestó la Cancillería Nacional.

Headlines and echoes on major printed and online newspapers



Links Edición digital Diario Ultima Hora 24 de setiembre 2020

<https://www.ultimahora.com/el-primer-satelite-paraguayo-fue-presentado-japon-n2906216.html>

<https://www.ultimahora.com/en-japon-se-presento-el-primer-satelite-paraguayo-n2906273.html>

National, Air, Cable and Online Television Coverage



Meridiano Informativo – Telefuturo al mediodía

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Telediario – Telefuturo
a la noche



National, Air, Cable and Online Television Coverage

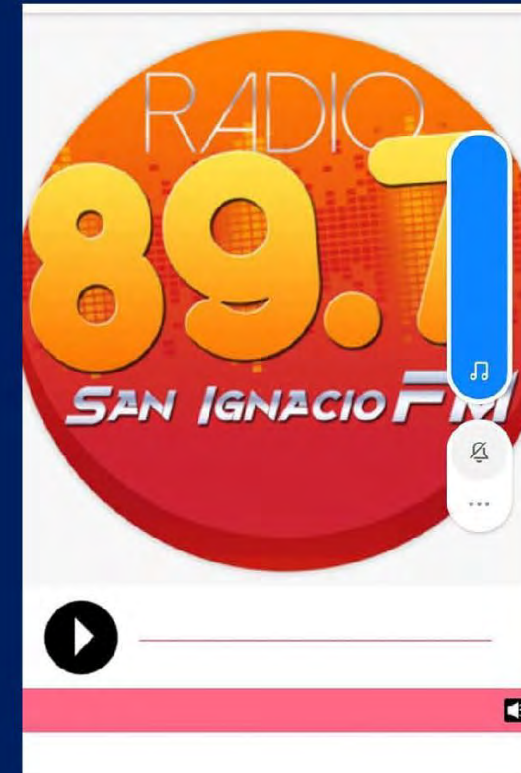




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Interviews with the President of AEP

National, Air, and Online Radio Coverage



CURSOS Y WEBINARS

AVANCES EN EL DESARROLLO AEROSPAZIAL, PRIMER SATÉLITE PARAGUAYO Y APLICACIONES DE LA AGENCIA ESPACIAL DEL PARAGUAY

Disertantes: *Alejandro J. Román Molinas, Ing. MSc. Adolfo Jara (AEP), Ing. Aníbal Mendoza (AEP), Ing. Eladio Ferrer (AEP), Ing. Federico Gaona (FP-UNA)*

Fecha: *29 de septiembre*

Hora: *10:00 h*

Organiza: *Agencia Espacial del Paraguay*

Contacto: *romanalejandro2@gmail.com*

Link: *bit.ly/YouTubelAE*

29 y 30 Septiembre
01 y 02 Octubre

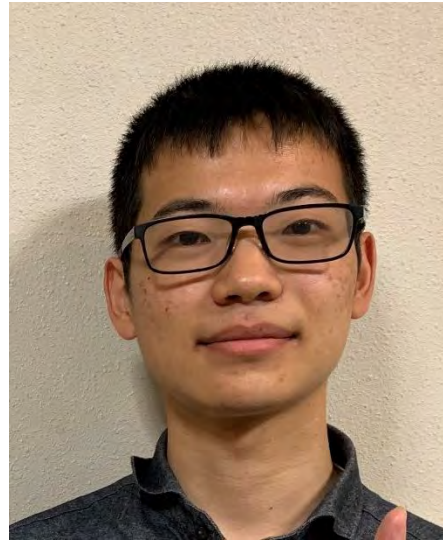
Presence in National and International Events



End of news from Paraguay

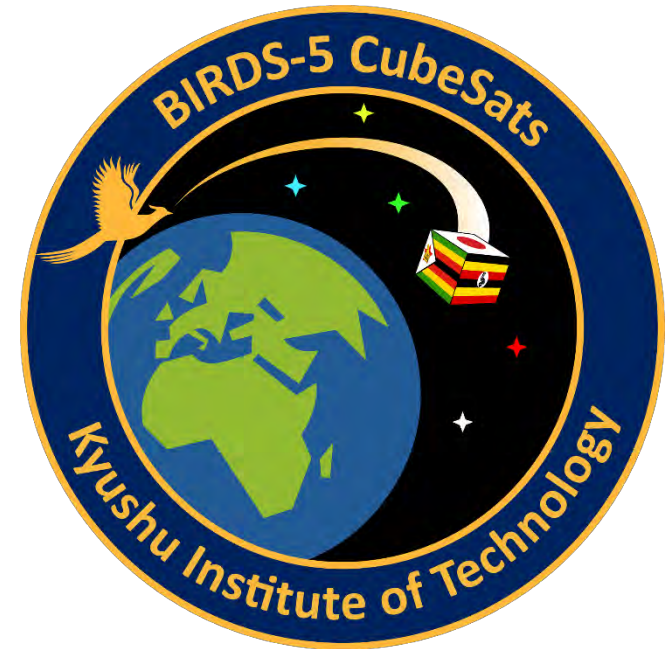
Presence in National and International Events

Kyutech's Exhibition in the City Center



By : Fahd MOUMNI and Yukihiisa OTANI

14/OCT/2020



A showroom in the city center

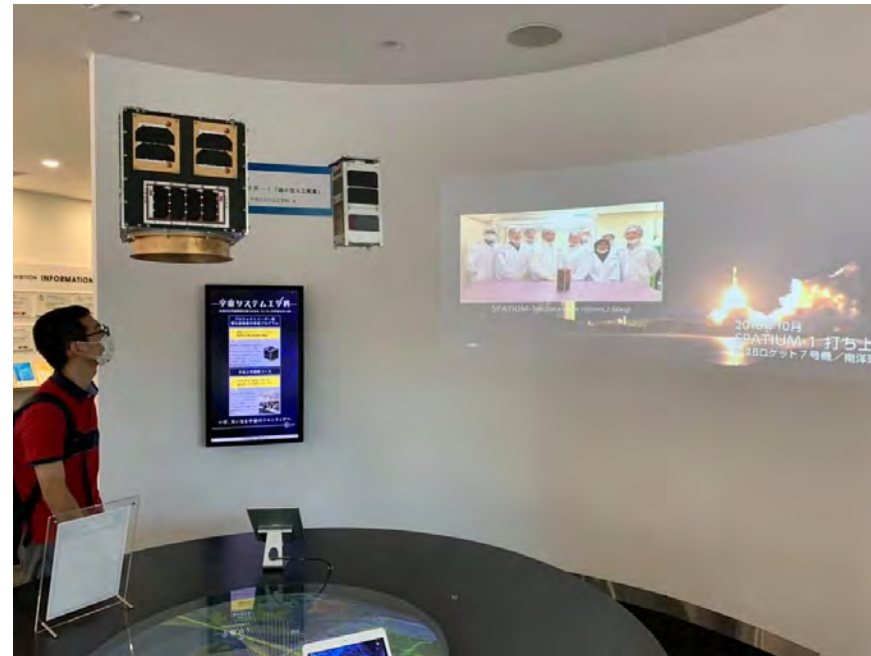
- In cooperation with Kyushu Institute of Technology, the company YE DIGITAL, owned by YASKAWA Electric Corporation, are exposing and advertising about Kyutech through its Space projects.
- Replicas of the cubesatellites are present in the showroom as for an explanatory video and other Kyutech's satellite-related objects.
- The showroom is open for everyone freely, which can be very beneficial for both Kyutech and the company.



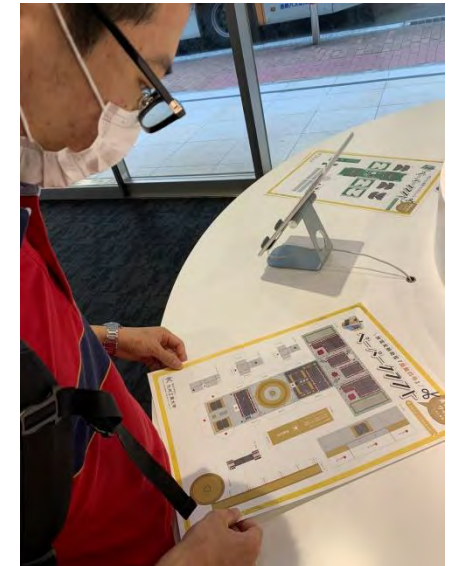
Otani san at the entrance of the showroom



Some Exhibition Information at the entrance



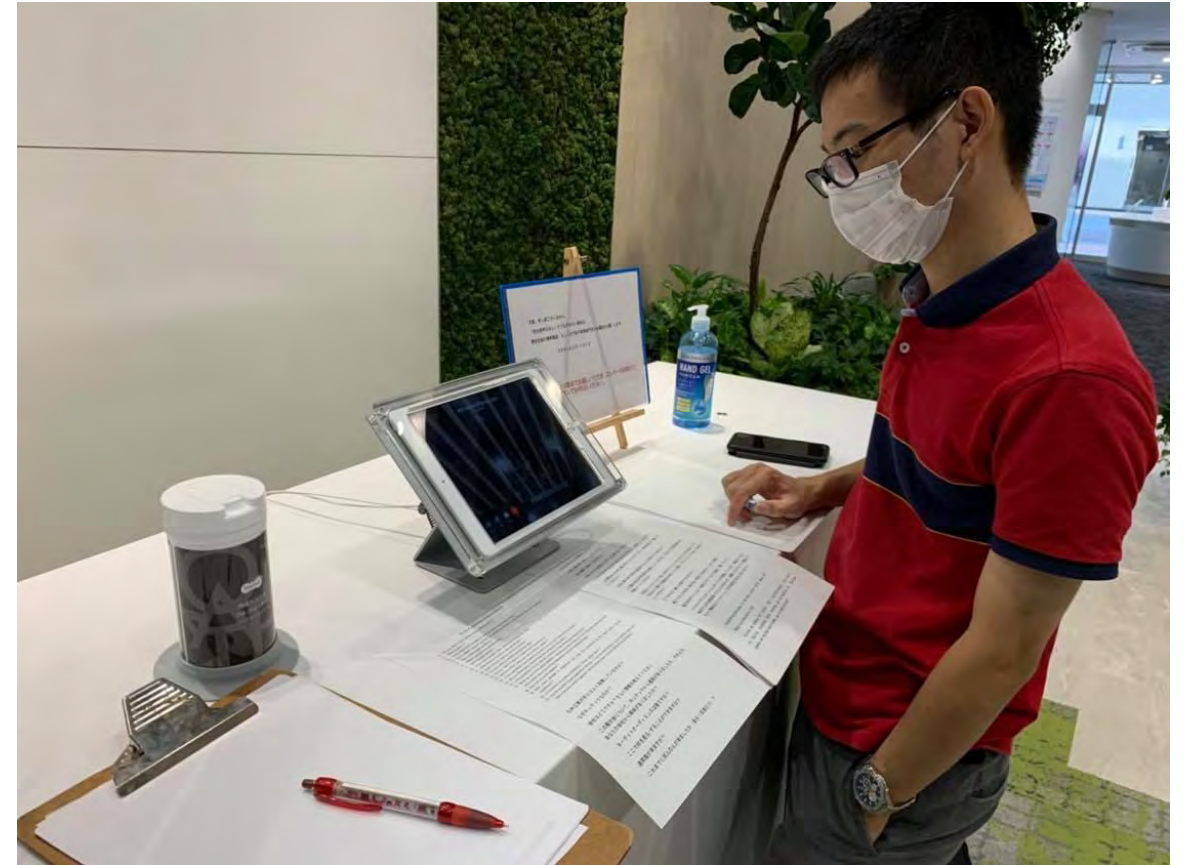
Explanatory video and replicas of satellites



Paper-folding activity for a Horyu-4 replica

Planning the visit & interview

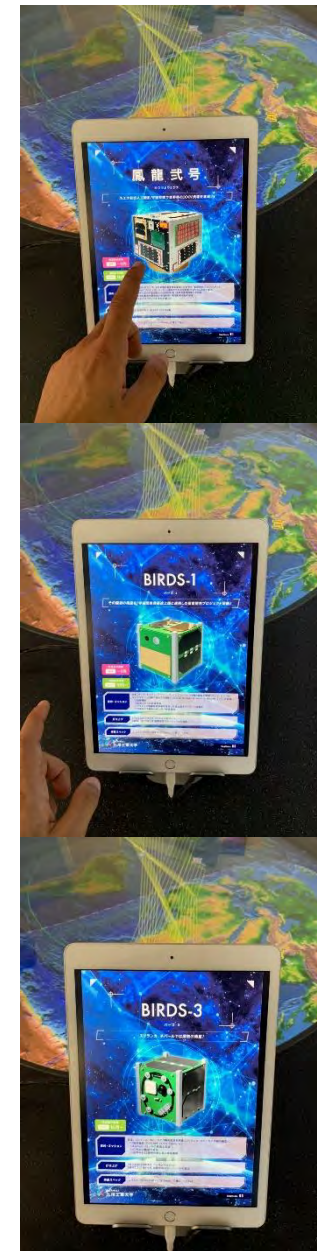
- As the showroom was found unexpectedly by one of our members, decision was made to go get more clarifications about the event and maybe how could that be of use for the BIRDS projects.
- Otani san and Fahd decided to take care of the mission and prepared many questions to get the most of the visit.
- About 21 different questions were asked to one of the company representatives within the showroom.
- The interview was done in Japanese only, hence the great help provided by Otani san.



Calling for a representative to do our interview and reviewing the questions as someone came

Feedback of the interview

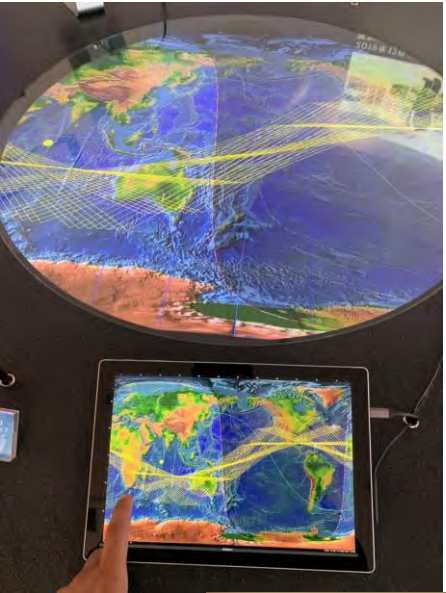
- Yaskawa Electric does support Kyutech projects from quite a time already
- The showroom attracts students, children, adult civilians but mostly partner companies
- Generally the showroom is open until Friday 17:00 for everyone, however partner companies schedule appointments for deeper discussions
- Around 100 visitors come per month when a special event is organized, in a normal time, 30 visitors approximately come monthly
- Among the questions usually asked by visitors : What is the purpose of making the cubesats ? How much does it cost ? What is its real size ? Where do we make them ?
- YE DIGITAL are planning on bringing more young people from the environment of their employers and their families
- Other means of advertisement are the pamphlets, the web homepage and e-mails containing information promoting Kyutech and their space projects among the company's network
- The number of visitors for now has no limit
- Students from Kyutech can, if they want, share their experience on the company's homepage by contacting them
- The exhibition theme is changed every 3 months



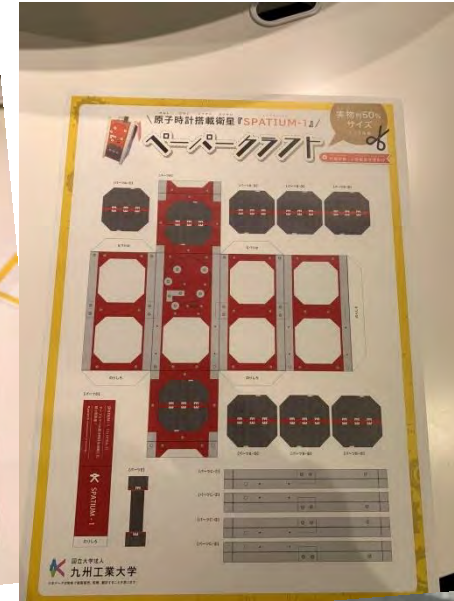
Descriptive information were given about the various projects of LaSEINE starting from Horyu to BIRDS-4 and talking about Futaba, Spatium, Aoba-Velox and others



More pictures

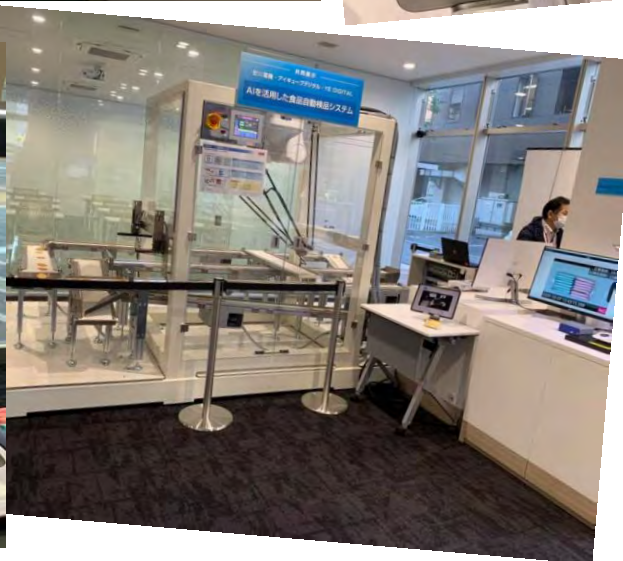
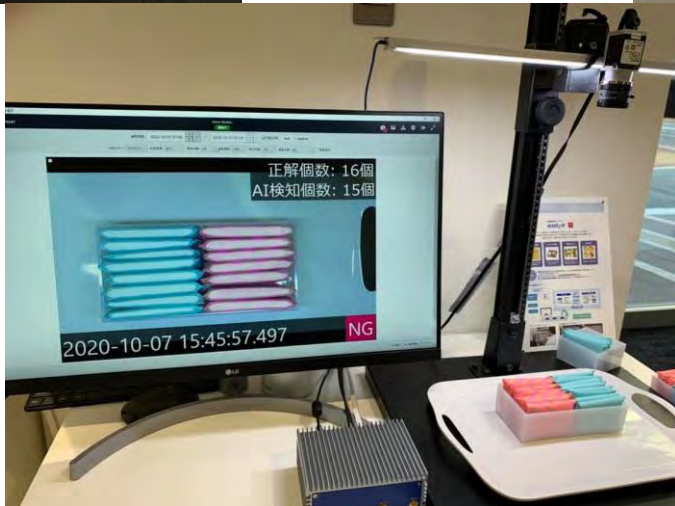


Synchronized visualization of the satellites tracks



← Material and tutorials for making a paper version of Spatium-II

Some Machine Learning applications were also exposed



Enjoying Taiyaki on the way back



Being interviewed by a Japanese local radio



By : Fahd MOUMNI
14/OCT/2020



The context

- Living in one of the campuses dormitories make you meet a bunch of people from many parts of the world (mostly Asia) and with different backgrounds.
- The Global Cultivation Center (国際研修会館) is an accomodation for both japanese and foreign students.
- In front of our residence, the Meisen dormitory 明専寮, hosting mostly first year students, animates a weekly session in a local radio, talking about many subjects related to campus life by interviewing students.
- In September, a request was posted on our dormitory's LINE (Japanese Whatsapp) : They wanted to interview one foreign and one japanese student from the same residence about many cultural aspects, but...all in japanese language !!
- I immediately expressed my interest hoping for it to be a motivation to work more on my vocabulary and because I always had this envy to share my culture with as many people as possible !



The Global Cultivation Center



The Meisen dormitory

(Pictures taken from Kyutech's website)

The preparation

- Within one month, I had to prepare the interview : it required lots of vocabulary words. Most important was to focus on expressing ideas as simple as possible ! As long as people understand, there is no need to use very complicated words !
- I first asked what would be the topics of the talk : I was told « to present my country or any other », « to talk about the food and gastronomy », then « to talk about some cultural aspects »...I therefore had to prepare a script in function of these answers (in english then translated in japanese).
- I was a bit confident : In the past (and still now), everyone in the dormitory would ask me quite the same questions about my home-country, so I never bothered answering them even if I made mistakes : answering those typical questions helped me to prepare the interview easier than expected.



It is sometimes difficult to deliver exactly what you want to say

blog.gaijinpot.com



Speaking to native friends would be the best thing to start with

<https://blog.lingoda.com/>

The day of the interview

- To make me feel more comfortable, the Japanese student who came with me (Miyu SHINMOTO san みゆ新本さん) is someone who does speak English well, so in case something would be unclear, or words were to be forgotten, support would have been provided.
- After being briefed, we started the interview animated by Kanta SHIGEKAN san (かたしげかんさん).
- It took a total of around 1 hour, but time was flying as we felt as just having a normal discussion between friends !
- Here enclosed you can find the **YouTube** Video of the interview :
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EHAtpMNEDVE&app=desktop>
- The local radio name is : « FM-KITA-Q »



A little picture after the successful interview



A screenshot of the Youtube video

Unexpected outcome

- The listeners were so numerous, and the Youtube video was shared and watched so many times, that even if we were interviewed on the last days of September, we held the audience record for that same month among many other interviews or sessions !
- Among 1.73K subscribers we reached 622 views (as of the 14th of October) !



FM KITAQ
78.5 MHz

9月度月間MVP番組

- 第1位：明専ラジオ（土曜日14:00～14:55 九州工業大学）
- 第2位：サンクスギビングぷらす！
（第1・3木曜日 21:00～21:55 かもめ医院）
- 第3位：門司情報タンテイ団
（第2・4土曜日19:00～19:55）

たいへんよかったです。

Youtubeアクセス、サイマルアクセス、新規メール等と総合評価

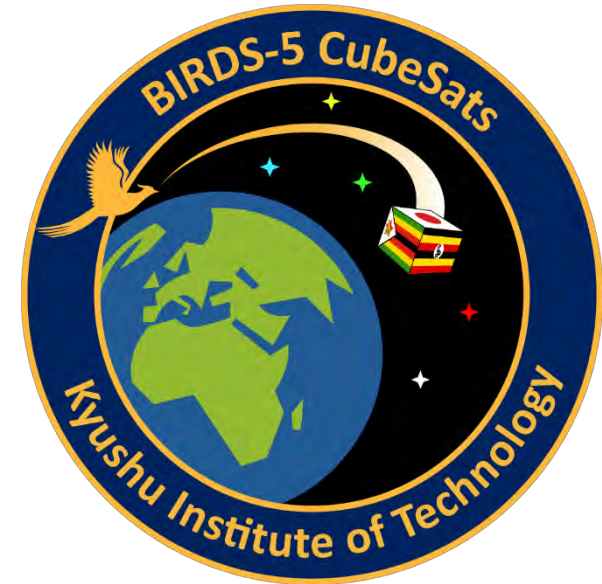
BIRDS-5 PINO MISSION

(PINO = Particle Instrument for Nano-satellite)



By : Takashi Oshiro

8 Oct 2020



Our stakeholder: JAXA ISAS

- JAXA ISAS:



ISAS (Institute of Space and Astronautical Science) is a research institute of JAXA (Japanese Aerospace and Exploration Agency), which mainly conducts researches on space science. It has contributed to space science in Japan a lot.

<http://www.isas.jaxa.jp/>

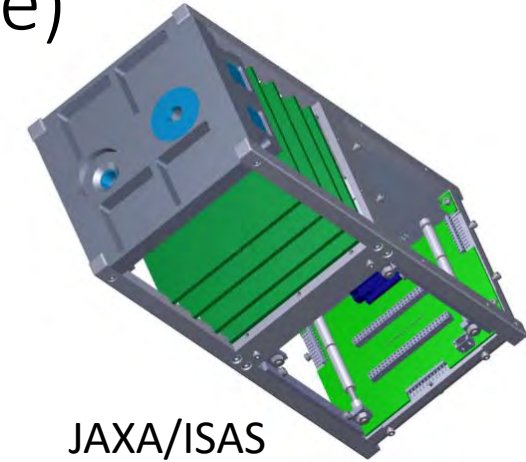
The ISAS members joined the BIRDS-5 project as a part of the Japanese team's satellite mission. Since ISAS is located in Kanagawa Prefecture, we meet online to share progress and development between each other.

PINO mission (Particle Instrument for Nano-satellite)

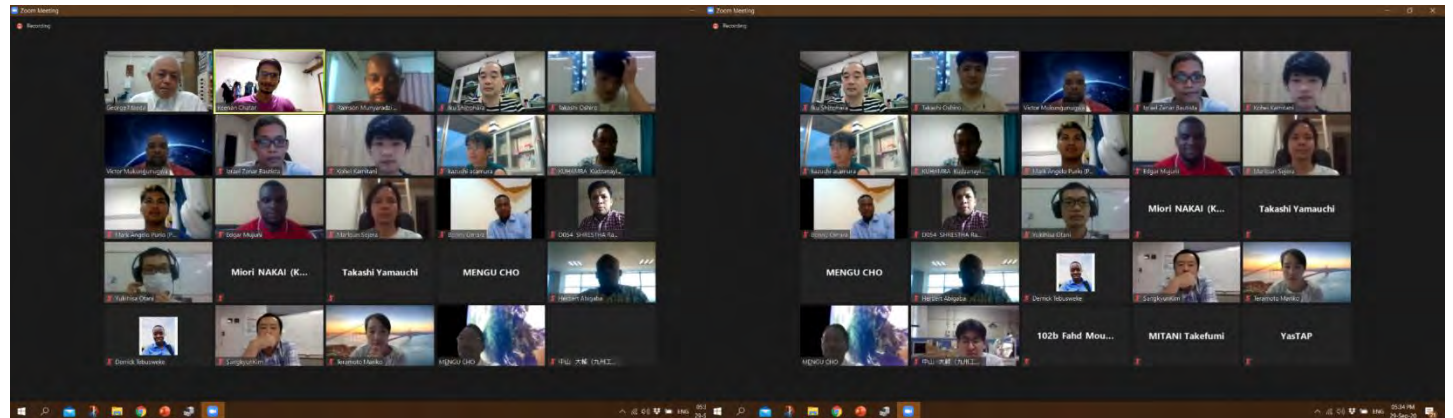
- What are the objectives of the PINO mission ?
- ◆ To demonstrate a compact high-energy electron detector onboard a CubeSat using the Si/CdTe semiconductor.
- ◆ To measure the high-energy electron flux precipitating along the geomagnetic fields from the radiation belt.

• PINO members

- Dr. Shinohara : Mission leader
- Dr. Mitani : Mission part development
- Dr. Teramoto : System interface
- Dr. Takashima : Mission part development
- Dr. Asamura : System interface
- Mr. Onogi : Software development



JAXA/ISAS



The team is supported by JSPS KAKENHI (20H01963).

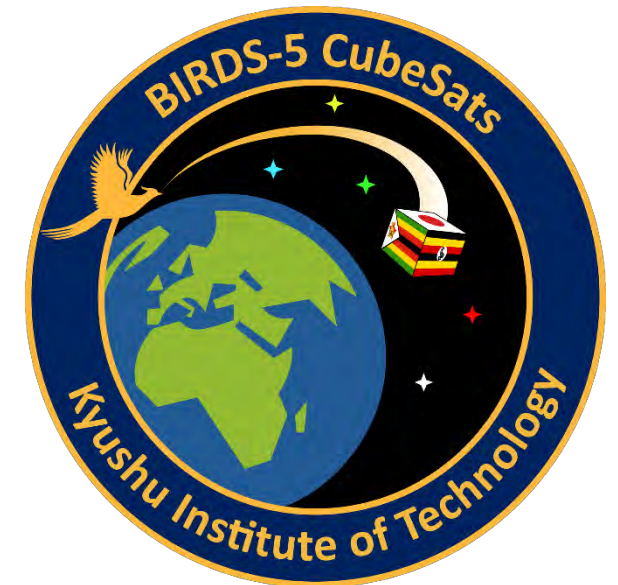
Screenshot of a meeting with JAXA members

BIRDS 5 Project Management



By : Victor Mukungunugwa
(Project Manager of BIRDS-5)

13 Oct. 2020



Lessons in project management

LESSONS LEARNT SO FAR

- Communication.
- Accountability.
- Humility.
- Resilience.
- Influence.
- Positivity.
- Delegation.

❖ **Early risk identification**



<https://digitalsparkmarketing.com/leadership-qualities/>

Skills audit among team members



- Identification of the skills among team members
- Identification of grey areas among BIRDS 5 team members
- Assignment to different satellite subsystems was done according to skills of each team member
- Training arranged to capacitate members, done via zoom, by previous BIRDS program members



<https://www.indiamart.com/proddetail/training-and-capacity-building-18341955697.html>

Skills Audit Among team members

	Background	Research	Programing			PCB Production			CAD		Image processing					
			Python	C	MATLAB	JAVA	other	EAGLE	Soldering	Other	Fusion 360	SOLID WORKS	other	QGIS	ARCGIS	Other
Takashi Oshiro	System engineering	Thermal design														
Yukihisa Otanni	System Engineering	Design the CubeSat Access Port by			-	-	C#, LabVIEW,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kohei Kamitani	system engineering	Studying SEE (Single Event Effect)														
Miori Nakai																
Fahd Moumni	Materials Science Engineering	Material degradati on by irradiation											CATIA			
Keenan	Electrical and Computer Engine	Energy Harvesting/Machine Learning														Computer Vision
Timothy Kuhamba	Physics ,Communication Engine	Antennas														Deep learning
Ramson Nyamukondiwa	Electronics and Communicati	Software Defined Radio						C++, HTML, PhP, Java Script,CSS								
Bonny Omara	Computer Engineering															
Derrick Tebusweke	Electrical Engineering	Hybrid EPS subsystem/OBC														
Edgar Mujuni	Telecommunications Enginee	System automation						C++								
Victor Mukungunugwa	Aerospace Engineerinn	Structure (Machine learning)						MATHCAD					CATIA			Global Mapper



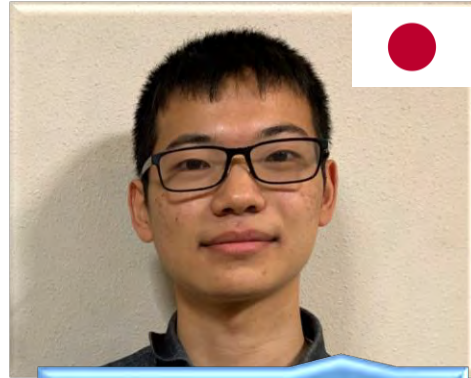
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The skills audit gave the Project Manager an insight of his team’s capability and an inhouse training is underway to capacitate BIRDS members on the skills required for satellite development.

BIRDS 5 DELEGATION OF SUBSYSTEMS

Japan



Otani: OBC

Uganda



Bonnie: Camera

Zimbabwe



Nakai: DLP

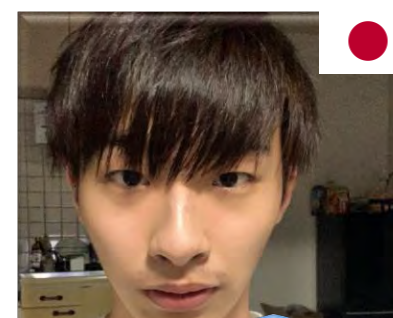
Miori Nakai is the only woman in BIRDS 5



Oshiro: 2U STR



Edgar: S&F



Fukudome : RAB



Ramson: COMs

Languages spoken by these BIRDS 5 Members : Japanese, English, Swahili, Shona, French, South Korean etc.


<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/390335492679223857/>



BIRDS 5 DELEGATION OF SUBSYSTEMS

Japan 

Morocco 

Trinidad 

Uganda 

Zimbabwe 



Timothy: ADCS



Iwase: DLP



Keenan: IC



Kamitani: DLP



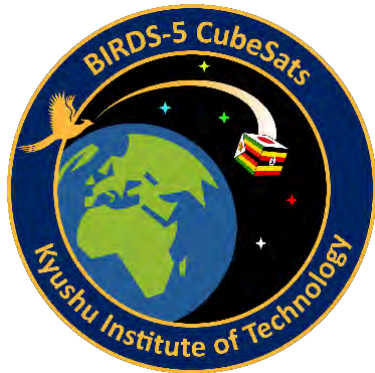
Derrick: EPS



Fahd : 1U STR



Victor: PM



Languages spoken by these Members: Japanese, English, Swahili, Shona, Russian, Arabic, Spanish, French, German, Ukrainian etc.



Key tasks

Capacity building (Enhancing team skills through training by previous BIRDS groups) via zoom



- Arranging students meetings via zoom
- Motivating team members
- Team building exercises
- Scheduling and keeping track of tasks assigned using *Monday.com*

Monday.com the tool to an optimized BIRDS 5



22.9% Done

Task	Count	Owner	Priority	Status	Timeline
Satellite configuration design	17	[Avatar]	Critical	Working on it	Oct 3 - 24
Frequency coordination IARU	2	[Avatar]	High	Waiting for review	Dec 26
Frequency coordination ITU		[Avatar]	Medium	Stuck	Apr 24
Ground system development at each country		[Avatar]	Critical	Working on it	Oct 5 - Sep 30
Addition of new GS to the network		[Avatar]	Medium	Waiting for review	Jul 1 - Feb 1
Mission payload design and development and test		[Avatar]	Critical	Stuck	Jan 1 - Apr 1
Bus development		[Avatar]	Critical	Working on it	Oct 4 - Mar 10
Engineering model integration & testing		[Avatar]	High	Stuck	Apr 1 - Jul 15
Satellite software development		[Avatar]	High	Working on it	Oct 4 - Jul 1
Flight model integration & testing		[Avatar]	Critical	Waiting for review	Jul 1 - Sep 15

BIRDS 5 Project

Week 40 Sep 28 - Oct 4 | Week 41 Oct 5 - Oct 11 | Week 42 Oct 12 - Oct 18 | Week 43 Oct 19 - Oct 25 | Week 44 Oct 26 - Oct 31

Timeline tasks:

- Satellite configuration design (Week 40-41)
- Prof Ch [Avatar]
- Satellite configuration design (Week 41-42)
- Keenan Chatar [Avatar]
- Prof Ch [Avatar]
- Satellite configuration design (Week 42-43)
- moumni.fahd655@mail... [Avatar]
- Prof Ch [Avatar]
- Satellite configuration design (Week 43-44)

22.9% completed for the task to meet the 24th October deadline

Timelines and tasks until the 24th October

BIRDS 5 Project Manager uses monday.com to track project activities, timelines, due dates, performing and not-well/non-performing members

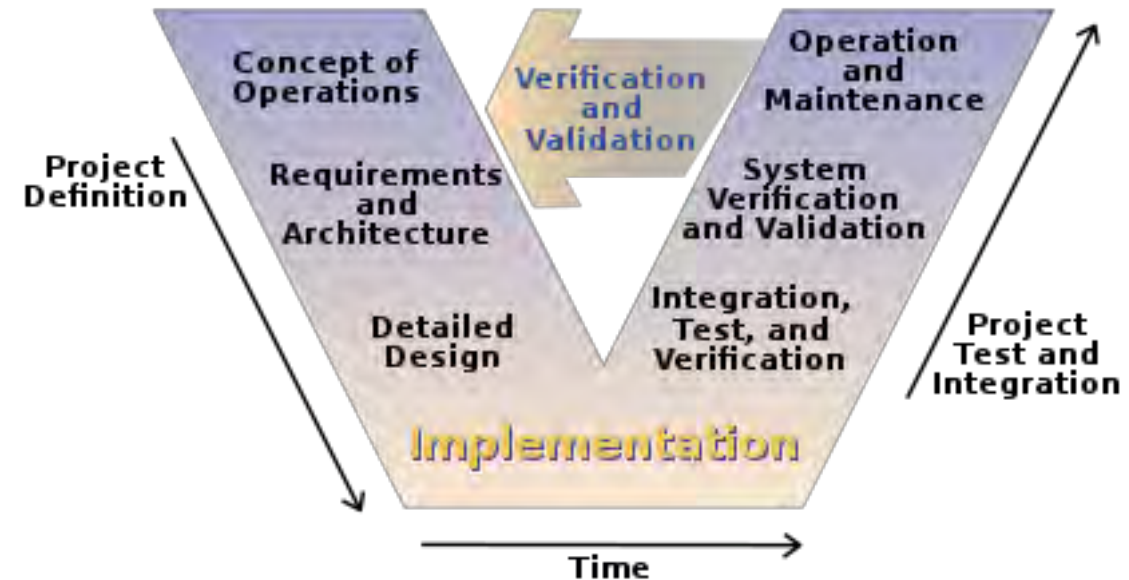


BIRDS 5 Progress so far

- Mission Design review was done on the 28th of September 2020
- Working towards the Preliminary Design Review
- The milestone for October 2020 is to have a concrete satellite configuration



**END OF PROJECT
MANAGEMENT
OVERVIEW BY VICTOR**



The V-model of the systems engineering process

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/V-Model>

23. BIRDS-5: Ugandan students finally arrive in Japan

Bonny, Edgar, and Derrick, finally arrived in Japan to join the others of the BIRDS-5 Project. They flew from Entebbe Airport in Uganda (via Addis Ababa and Incheon airports). **They arrived at Narita, as shown below.** More details about their arrival will be in the next issue of this newsletter. Between 11 Oct and 26 Oct, they did 15-day quarantine at a hotel near Narita Airport.



Date: 11/OCT/2020

Time: 22:00

Location: Narita International Airport, Japan

24. Startups in Africa, by Nikkei and JICA



Go to here: <https://events.nikkei.co.jp/31341/>

Webinar
5 November 2020
Details on the next page

As digitalization accelerates around the world, Africa is attracting a lot of attention for new businesses using innovative ideas and technology. Many Japanese companies now become interested in investing in and collaborating with excellent startups in Africa. In this webinar, esteemed Japanese experts will discuss the potential of African new tech businesses, reverse innovations, and business alliances/investments in Africa, from the viewpoints of the resilience against coronavirus-shock. Several African entrepreneurs will also be speaking at this event. If your company is interested in investment from or business alliances with Japanese companies, this will be a good opportunity to learn about trends and interests in Japan.

Nikkei - the Japanese financial media group - will host the webinar in cooperation with Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA). The webinar will be broadcasted via Zoom platform in English and in French (simultaneous translations from Japanese). We are welcoming your questions to our speakers. Please note that you can ask your question only in English. We will take some polls during the discussion and they are only in Japanese. You need to submit an application form beforehand for joining the webinar. The URL for the zoom will be sent via email by the day.

NIKKEI event & seminar

日経イベント&セミナー



Date Nov. 5, 2020 (Thur.)
08:00~09:30(EAT), 07:00-08:30(CAT), 06:00-07:30(WAT)

Venue Zoom

Application Fee Free of charge

Capacity 3000 people
*A lottery may be held if there are more than capacities.

Application due date Nov. 2, 2020 (Mon)

Organized by Nikkei Inc., Media Business

Sponsored by Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)

Inquiry webinar@nex.nikkei.co.jp

25. Int'l Workshop on Lean Satellite - 2020



International Workshop on Lean Satellite – 2020

A “lean satellite” is a satellite that utilizes non-traditional, risk-taking development and management approaches – with the aim to provide value of some kind to the customer at low-cost and without taking much time to realize the satellite mission. These approaches differ significantly from traditional approaches to satellite development. The term “lean satellite” was born during the activities related to the international standardization of small/micro/nano/pico satellite testing starting from 2011. There was no clear definition of the terms “small”, “micro”, “nano”, “pico” that was agreeable to all concerned. So to capture the essence of development and management philosophy -- rather than categorizing based on mass or size -- the term “lean satellite” was adopted.

Every year since 2011, an international workshop to discuss various aspects of lean satellites has been held. The purpose of the workshop is to further promote the study of lean satellites. To deliver the satellite values to stakeholders with affordable cost and permissible delivery time, there are various issues to be examined further, such as standards, testing, operation, manufacturing, interface, project management, etc. Since the beginning of the series, the workshop has focused on standards. It produced two ISO documents, ISO-19683 “Space systems — Design qualification and acceptance tests of small spacecraft and units” and ISO-TS-20991 “Space systems -- Requirements for small spacecraft”. Following the workshop in 2019, this year’s workshop will put an emphasis on CubeSat interface standardization. There is a strong need to standardize the interface not only among CubeSat components but also between a CubeSat platform (bus) and mission payloads to shorten the satellite delivery time and to promote international trade and collaboration.

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This workshop intends to serve as an open forum for people interested in making and using satellites differently from the traditional ways. Due to the current situation surrounding COVID-19, it has been decided unfortunately that the workshop this year will be held virtually. We will have:

Video presentations about various issues related to lean satellites

(Video files (mp4) on a streaming server will be accessible by the registered participants)

Round-table discussions to discuss the topics related to lean satellites

Presentations are solicited with emphasis on the following but not limited to,

- (a) CubeSat interface
- (b) Lean Satellite Concept
- (c) Satellite Verification & Testing (Hardware and Software)
- (d) Project Management (including Lessons Learned)
- (e) Constellation (Design, Verification, Manufacturing and Operation)
- (f) Cubesats (other than interface)
- (g) Satellite Operation (Communication Protocols, Ground Station Networking, etc.)
- (h) Lean satellite data mining and distribution
- (i) International Projects
- (j) New Standards
- (k) Frequency Allocation (Radio Spectrum)
- (l) Capacity Building
- (m) Debris
- (n) Safety
- (o) Others

The workshop is organized by Kyushu Institute of Technology with the support of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, Japan.

Preliminary schedule (all in Japan Standard Time)

Deadline of abstract submission:	November 13, 2020
Deadline of video submission:	November 24, 2020
Video presentation viewing:	November 27 ~ December 1, 2020
Round table discussion:	December 1, 2020 Part-I (7:00~9:00), Part-II (19:00~21:00)

GO HERE FOR FULL DETAILS:

https://lean-sat.org/2020_nets-regist/

26. BIRDS-4: Anibal and Adolfo return to Kyutech



We welcome the return of the BIRDS-4 Paraguay team. They went to Paraguay early in 2020, and then got stuck there for a few months due to COVID-19 measures.

← This photo was taken around 7:00 PM on 23 Oct. 2020, in front of Spina supermarket in Tobata.

They had to spend 2 weeks in quarantine in Tokyo before flying down to Kyushu.



27. Status of KiboCUBE of UN/JAXA collaboration as of October 2020



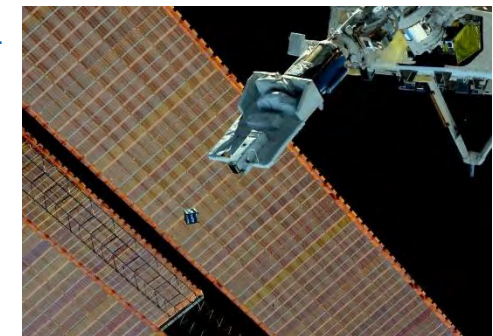
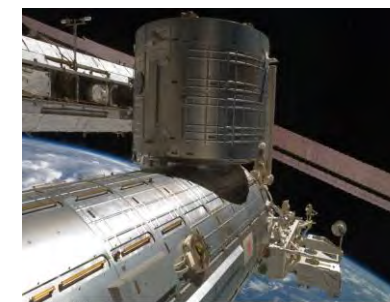

Previous Winners

	Winner		Objective	Deployed	Launched	Selected
1 st round	KENYA: University of Nairobi "1KUNS-PF"		To monitor agriculture and coastal areas	11.05.2018	04.2018	08.2016
2 nd round	GUATEMALA: Universidad de Valle De Guatemala "Quetzal-1"		To acquire remote sensing data for natural resource management	29.4.2020	03.2020	09.2017
3 rd round	MAURITIUS: Mauritius Research Council "MIR-SAT 1"		To collect thermal infrared images and to test onboard communication	Currently under development		06.2018
3 rd round	INDONESIA: Surya University "SS-1"		To demonstrate remote communication	Currently under development		09.2018
4 th round	MOLDOVA: Technical University of Moldova "TUMnanoSAT"		To demonstrate technology and test various components	Currently under development		06.2019
5 th round	SISTEMA DE LA INTEGRACIÓN CENTROAMERICANA "MORAZAN-SAT"		To monitor weather variables in remote areas providing early warning during extreme weather events	Currently under development		2020

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Full details are here:

<https://www.unoosa.org/oosa/en/ourwork/pa/hsti/kibocube.html>



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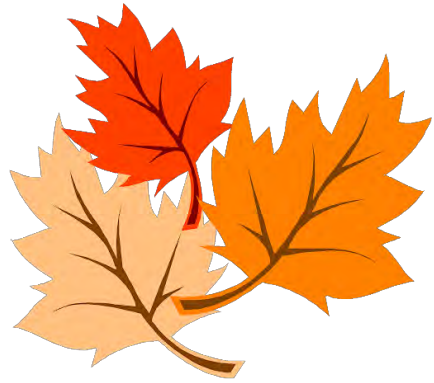


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