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A habitat in ice

17 June – 3 July 2019
Discover the 20 team projects

Zermatt
Glacier Palace → 9:30-16:00
Vernissage → 17:00-23:00
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The Field Campaign of the student demonstrator Moon Habitat takes place from 17 June until 3 July in Zermatt

From 17 June until 3 July, all the IGLUNA project teamswill gather in Zermatt to demonstrate the results of their one-year commitment to designing a potential and sustainable Moon habitat. The twenty projects will be split up into two locations: in the Glacier Palace of the Matterhorn glacier paradise and at the Vernissage Art Gallery of the Backstage Hotel.

During this past academic year, more than 150 students from 9 European countries and from several faculties have gathered their knowledge to design a habitat potentially suitable for extreme environment, such as on the Moon. They needed to study and cover the essential aspects to sustain life in a long-term vision: structure and construction of the habitat, life support (as oxygen or food), power management, communication and navigation, human well-being and science. Each team could thus contribute to this Moon habitat, whatever their expertise.

One part of the projects will be tested at the Glacier Palace, such as the construction robot and the food and oxygen production. The other projects, as the virtual reality and the lunar habitation design, will demonstrate their concept at the Vernissage Art Gallery.

During the first week (17—24 June), the students will set up their projects. All the IGLUNA modules will be fully assembled by Monday 24 June. After a week trial and demonstrations, the teams will dismantle their design during the last three days (1—3 July). However, visitors are allowed to visit the teams at any time inorder to discover the several steps for the complete installation of a habitat in an extreme environment.

The Field Campaign is also an occasion that will gather many other scientific and space related projects. We are glad to host other experiments as the Radiation Monitoring from CERN and the MIT HYDRA Drill experiment. Interactive activities are also organised to make this knowledge accessible to all publics. IGLUNA consists of the following projects, which will be present at the field campaign from 17 June until 3 July 2019.
Conception & Structure

A mobile robotic system, which is equipped with a robotic arm and which carries a set of autonomously interchangeable tools. The robot should be able to complete the process of cutting out ice-blocks and placing them to build a wall on its own.
Smart Waste-based Agriculture Growing System (SWAG-System)

Optimized closed agricultural growing system for a lunar habitat that uses human waste as nutritional input integrated with hydroponic and lunar soil-based agricultural systems.

**About**
A closed agricultural growing system that only uses human waste materials as nutritional (urine, org. waste) input. Both a hydroponic system and a lunar soil-based agricultural system are integrated. A closed loop for water, nutrients and essential (trace) elements. A smart monitoring system will control the whole growing process, optimize all important parameters and inform the lunar habitants about growing status.

**Topic**
Life Support

ZHAW
Zurich, Switzerland
Sociokinetic analysis for the optimization of habitats in extreme environments

Tracking of people with multi-camera motion capture algorithms inside the habitat to establish the relationship between humans and the built environment.

About “ISA” is an Innovative Sociokinetic Analysis which implements video-based motion capture algorithms. It helps to study the human movements within the habitat in extreme environments.

The goal of ISA is to provide solutions on how to improve the design of the habitat and the safety of its occupants in extreme and hostile environments. During the Field Campaign in Zermatt, the team P03 will install several cameras in the IGLUNA habitat.

Finally, after the algorithms implementation and statistical data analysis, general recommendations for improving the habitat design and occupancy will be given.
Algal bioreactor

Bioreactor for cultivating algae and producing oxygen.

**Topic**  
Life Support

**About**  
A simple but robust bioreactor with high surface-to-volume ratio, is ideal for cultivating algae and producing oxygen. The system utilizes modular design, is flexible in various operating conditions and have the potential for future scale-up for a space habitat.

HSLU  
Lucerne, Switzerland
GrowbotHub

Aeroponic and lunar soil system (SWAG).

About
An automated structure hosting the aeroponic and lunar soil system by SWAG and minimising human effort. The plants grow on shelves that move to the Growbot when ready to be consumed, which is determined through image processing. The Growbot picks up the plant in its pot, empties out the vegetable and replaces it by a new pot. The astronauts can come retrieve the fresh produce directly from the GrowbotHub.

University of Lausanne and EPFL
Lausanne, Switzerland
Habitat concept in lunar lava-tube (MOONY)

Moon habitat design, placed under the lunar surface, exploring logistic, human and environmental requirements participating in a Lunar mission scenario.

Topic Conception & structure

About An inflatable and modular habitat where the design of the environment and different assets aims to foster the best psychophysiological conditions for the inhabitants. It is set-up in a lava-tube on the Moon's North Pole, assuring protection from radiations, meteorites and highly variable temperatures, and ice's proximity.

Politecnico di Milano
Milan, Italy
Bricks Arch Structure for Ingenious Construction (BASIC)

Insulated shelter construction and life support system design.

Topic  Conception & structure

About  An insulated vault structure assembled by interlocking bricks made of ply-wood and glass-fiber «sandwich», offers an environment adapted for humans.

An interactive presentation and a space toilet mock-up will show the life-supporting functions of closed artificial ecosystem.
Digging robot with navigation in ice capability

Robot with the capability to navigate in ice and dig its own path.

Topic Communication & navigation

About The project consists of designing, building and testing a robot with the capability to navigate in ice and dig its own path. The robot will be a maul which can drill in ice along a pre-planned path, doing its own calculations and accurately measure the position and attitude control.

University Politehnica of Bucharest, Bucharest, Romania
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Demonstrator for Oxygen Production (DOP)

Demonstrator of gaseous hydrogen and oxygen production through water electrolysis.

Topic Life Support

About The project focuses on the development and setting up a Demonstrator for Oxygen Production (DOP) able to work under severe conditions in space and in the long run. The DOP is a key element for engineer teams who plan on long periods of survival in space. The solution of building an oxygen generator based on water electrolysis is taken into consideration in the first stage to supply the oxygen for human activities. Water electrolysis will deliver oxygen and hydrogen.

University Politehnica of Bucharest, Bucharest, Romania
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CircaDia

Human health monitoring by schedule management through circadian rhythm and fatigue analysis

Topic  Human well-being
About  The team measures vital sigs like heart rate, temperature, acceleration, blood oxygen saturation, breath per minute and skin conductivity with a device. Estimating physical fatigue based on measured bio-signals is a novel method. The team plans to build up a real-time system. This new method of scheduling would be personalized to fit the natural rhythm of the individual and the team.

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LunAva

Avatar that assists in the management of human capital and information communication in space.

Topic  Human well-being
About  A personal virtual companion (=avatar) that assists in communication tasks among crew members and control. Based on a platform that collects and validates information in order to create strategy for improving social dynamics on the moon.

Tallinn University of Technology
Tallin, Estonia
Smart Monitoring

Intelligent rule-based decision engine that can reason and make decisions on incomplete monitoring data.

Topic: Human well-being

About: Creating an intelligent rule-based decision engine that can reason and make decisions based on incomplete monitoring data.

Defining a use case with habitants having specific comfort profiles, action scenarios, energy constraints. Building a demonstrator with emulated sensor basis and visualising it using a virtual world simulation.

Tallinn University of Technology
Tallinn, Estonia
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Aachen Modular Planetary Exploration System (AMPEX)

Experiment box based on iBOSS technics including a drill to extract ice cores and a corresponding handling system.

About
Our project demonstrates a new modular approach in space exploration: The development of an ice core drill integrated with the iBOSS technology for ice extraction and sampling. Heating cartridges, or as we call spikes, melt the ice below the structure and fix the iBLOCK on the surface. In future projects, we will introduce a handling system including a robotic arm which docks with the iBLOCK's interface to relocate the drill.
Cybernetic Companion pLAnts to Mitigate Insufficient iNteraction with nAture (CYCLAMINA)

Plant-computer interface that will augment a typical plant (i.e. with movement, sound, pseudodecisions) using the plant’s electrophysiological signals as input.

**Topic**  Human well-being

**About**  An innovative Human Plant Computer Interface aiming to mitigate the insufficient interaction with Nature and the psychological pressure of astronauts in space. The plant, Codariocalyx motorius, is augmented with pseudo-decisions, sound and light in order to communicate with human. In addition, the astronaut will also provide stimuli the plant, closing the loop. The impact is assessed using EEG and psychological questionnaires.

Technical University of Crete & Agricultural University of Athens
Athens, Greece
Guidance and Localisation for Astronauts Cooperating in Environmental Roughness (GLACiER)

Habitat-astronaut radio communication and localization outside the habitat in real time using radio modules.

Topic Communication and Navigation

About The project focuses on habitat->astronaut radio communication and localisation of the astronaut outside the habitat in real time using radio modules mounted throughout the EVA area (trilateration), supported by GNSS. Secondary objectives are: weather station (temperature, humidity, pressure, insolation), storm detecting station.

Warsaw University of Technology
Warsaw, Poland
VU Science Experiments (VUSE)

Science-based platform for geological, astrobiological and glacial research focused on analysis of ice cores.

About

VUSE is a science based platform for geological, astrobiological and glacial research. Our main objective is to analyse ice cores and collect various data to determine the history of the glacier. We provide the instruments for the SMART-ICE lab and the glacier research station. We are going to perform analog astronaut simulations, both IVA and EVA.
Smart Ice Lab & Moon Gallery

Working station and platform to conduct experimental research, visualize scientific data and provide public outreach.

Topic  Science

About  Smart Ice Lab shall provide scientists with the capability to conduct examinations and measurements on ice samples and cores, and preserve the integrity of these for current and future investigations.

Moon Gallery intends to launch 100 artifacts to the Moon within the compact format of 10 x 10 x 1cm plate on a lunar lander as early as 2022. In this Petri dish-like gallery, we are developing culture for future interplanetary society.

ILEWG and BTU
Amsterdam, the Netherlands
3D – Laser Shock Peening of a High Performance Ice Saw (Hephaestus)

High performance additively manufactured ice saw through the use of the 3D - Laser Shock Peening technique.

About

A high performance additively manufactured ice saw through the use of the 3D – Laser Shock Peening (LSP) technique to demonstrate that this novel process is able to produce parts for Space that can withstand longer fatigue life cycles. 3 x Ice Saws will be tested simultaneously:
- A traditional,
- A Selectively Laser Melted (SLM) As Built (AB) Saw,
- A 3D – LSP Ice Saw.
Designing a power system for a moon inhabitation (MPS)

Design for the system in charge of generation, storage, distribution and control of the power supply for the IGLUNA project.

Involves calculation of expected energy loads and takes into consideration the unique challenges of generating power on a Lunar Habitat.

Topic: Power Management

About: A theoretical design for the system in charge of generation, storage, distribution and control of the power supply for the IGLUNA project.
Virtual Reality 3D Model

3D Model of a Mars/Lunarbase for 100 inhabitants.

Topic: Conception & structure

About: An interactive installation will allow to virtually visit the interior spaces of a Mars/Moon-Base. Digital images, placed at different parts of the exhibition, will illustrate the ambiance of a space habitat.
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**Lunar Exercise and Activity Platform (LEAP) by Tallinn University of Technology, Estonia**

Physical training design through a gamified physical routine experience.

**About**
LEAP uses serious games, virtual environments and physical accessories to create a gamified physical routine experience. Through physical exercise and body motions astronauts to interact and navigate the environment. It has resistance bands, bars, rowing machine and an omnidirectional treadmill. Allows for varied exercise.

**Topic** Human well-being

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**Holistic Lunar Fitness (HLF) by Tallinn University of Technology, Estonia**

Multifunctional and modular training area design.

**About**
A solution for physical fitness that would fit the context of the lunar base.
- Space for the astronauts to be at peak performance through mental and physical stimulation, so that they can produce the maximum value for the mission.
- Space for competitive and group training and physical anaerobic exercises.

**Topic** Human well-being
IGLUNA, as a demonstrator pilot project, is aimed at supporting and accelerating the ESA_Lab initiative. The lessons learned from IGLUNA will help for the implementation of future ESA_Labs. The Swiss Space Center organises the overall project and serves as coordinator for the events and main systems engineering activities. IGLUNA is supported by the Swiss Space Office of the State Secretary of Education, Research and Innovation and the European Space Agency.

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The Swiss Space Center has 25 collaborators including Professor and former ESA astronaut Claude Nicollier, as well as three PhD students and eight national trainees located at several sites of the European Space Agency ESA.

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