

## **Fostering Scalable, Resilient Utility Infrastructure for Cislunar Space** Space Renaissance 2021 -- June 26, 2021 -- V1.3

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- SDF Focus: advocating, orchestrating, and assisting in the fostering of space development in earnest.
- **SDF Objective:** enable initiatives directly and/or indirectly by providing critical support when needed to foster cooperative actions furthering space development.
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# SDF Primary Threads for Strategic Action

#### Space Solar Power Realization

- Power & Ancillary Services Beaming
- Tech Dev Mission Enablement
  - Alpha Cube Sat

#### • Cislunar and Beyond Ancillary Services

 Interoperable Network Communication Architectures

#### • Advanced Automation & Robotics Evolution

- Management Operations Control Applications
- Advanced Propulsion Strategies
  - Halfway To Anywhere



Orchestrating Technology Development, Demonstration, and Deployment



## Understanding the Problem/Solution Space

#### • What you can learn to do really does matter . . .

- Space development provides humanity options which we otherwise would not have
- Why your doing it can matter just as much if not more . . .
  - The consequences of extinction level events are irreconcilable.
  - Bringing new sustainable resources (energy, materials, and habitable area) to the table for use in space and on Earth for the dramatic betterment of humanity provides options for a positive future.
  - Understanding how to build and maintain viable, and sustainable space settlements is a microcosm of providing for all life as we know it.



## TD<sup>3</sup> Missions

- Technology Development
  - Spans the spectrum from research sandboxes to applications engineering
- Technology Demonstration
  - Spans the spectrum from spectacle to practical tests of fitness for purpose
- Technology Deployment
  - Spans the spectrum from supporting the first users of a service to fielding scalable, resilient, sustainable utility infrastructure

Effective TD<sup>3</sup> mission development entails combining technology "push" and mission requirements "pull" to realize new capabilities.



# **Mission Development Matters**

#### • Successful TD<sup>3</sup> missions:

- Need to be biased towards success by design
- Define both the *problem and solution spaces*
- Integrate *iterative* trials and *recursive* spirals
- Foster cooperation, collaboration, and allow for competition
- Provide a means to *clarify expectations* based on *articulated interests* and shared *understanding of the follow-through*

If you do not know where you are trying to go and why . . . it is a whole lot harder to get there!



## **OUTCOMES MATTER**

1967 Treaty

- Efforts in statecraft that are based on a confluence of interests that are clearly defined tend to be widely ratified/adopted
  - 1967 Treaty on Principles Governing the Activities of States in the Exploration and Use of Outer Space, including the Moon and Other Celestial Bodies.
  - ratified by all states that engage in self-launched human spaceflight or have plans to do so.
    - <u>Number of Parties</u>: 107 <u>Number of Signatories</u>: 89
- Efforts in statecraft that are based on aspirations without a foundation of clearly articulated interests tend to flounder
  - 1979 Moon Agreement Governing the Activities of States on the Moon and Other Celestial Bodies
  - not ratified by any state that engages in self-launched human spaceflight or has plans to do so.
    - <u>Number of Parties</u>: 18 <u>Number of Signatories</u>: 11
- Accordingly, lending our efforts to drawing out, articulating, and affirming confluences of interests where they can be found seems the most prudent and logical course of action.



1979 Moon Agreement

Parties

Signatories Non-parties



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### **OPPORTUNITIES – Fostering Better Outcomes**

Scalable, resilient utility infrastructure for Cislunar space is realizable for:

- Interoperable Network Communications Architectures (INCA)
  - Pervasively Networked Quality of Service (QoS) based Communications
  - Cislunar Spatial Positioning & Navigation Markers and Beacons
  - Unified Time Base
- Space Solar Power and ancillary services Beaming (SSPB)
  - Power when and where it is needed across multiple venues
  - Space-to-space, Surface-to-surface, Space-to-Moon/Asteroid surface, Space-to-Earth
- Management Operations Control Applications (MOCA)
  - Autonomous Navigation
  - Situational Awareness
  - Orbital Debris Mitigation & Remediation
  - Shared human, robotic, and autonoma control





### **OPPORTUNITIES – Fostering Better Outcomes**

- Alpha Cube Sat (ACS)
  - Early TD<sup>3</sup> flight opportunity model
  - Economies of scale foster cost effect rapid path to flight missions
  - Synergistic technology development, science, and commercial payload accommodations
  - Electro-optical Interferometry
- Halfway To Anywhere (HTA)
  - Advanced H<sub>2</sub>O based propulsion systems using the states of matter (i.e., solid, liquid, gas, plasma) appropriate to the application
  - Alternate Minimum Energy Trajectories
  - Ground Tracking Long Term Stable Lunar Resonance Orbits





### **OPPORTUNITIES – Fostering Better Outcomes**

#### Capital Infrastructure

enables more economical satellite and science operations in space

- Satellite servicing and repair
- Fuel depots
- Standardized rendezvous and docking hardware
- Commodities Infrastructure

enables practical and sustainable human activities in space

- Air and water production from asteroid and lunar resources
- Agriculture and food production
- Recycling systems
- Commodities production for daily living, e.g., clothing, cleaning products, and personal hygiene (toilet paper, toothpaste, ...)
- And a myriad more . . .

<u>TD<sup>3</sup> missions can foster scalable, resilient</u> <u>utility infrastructure for Cislunar space</u>



#### Flows of People, Material, Energy & Information





## Next Steps



Asteroids

Moon

Interoperable Network Communication Architectures (INCA)

Support the cooperative orchestration of interoperability practices and standards.

• Space Solar Power and ancillary services Beaming (SSPB)

Support early TD<sup>3</sup> missions to enable technology across all venues

 Management Operations Control Applications (MOCA) Draw out the confluence of interests necessary to support virtualized functions and services in realizable infrastructure.

#### Alpha Cube Sat (ACS)

Foster the use of affordable spacecraft systems as enabling modular TD<sup>3</sup> infrastructure.

Foster the enablement of Cislunar logistics infrastructure.

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Starship

**Orion MRCV** 

# Space is our future . . .



## Let's not wait for it, let's build it! <u>http://spacedevelopmentfoundation.org</u>