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**SpaceShip FR's**  
**Contributions to Space Exploration and Human Spaceflight**

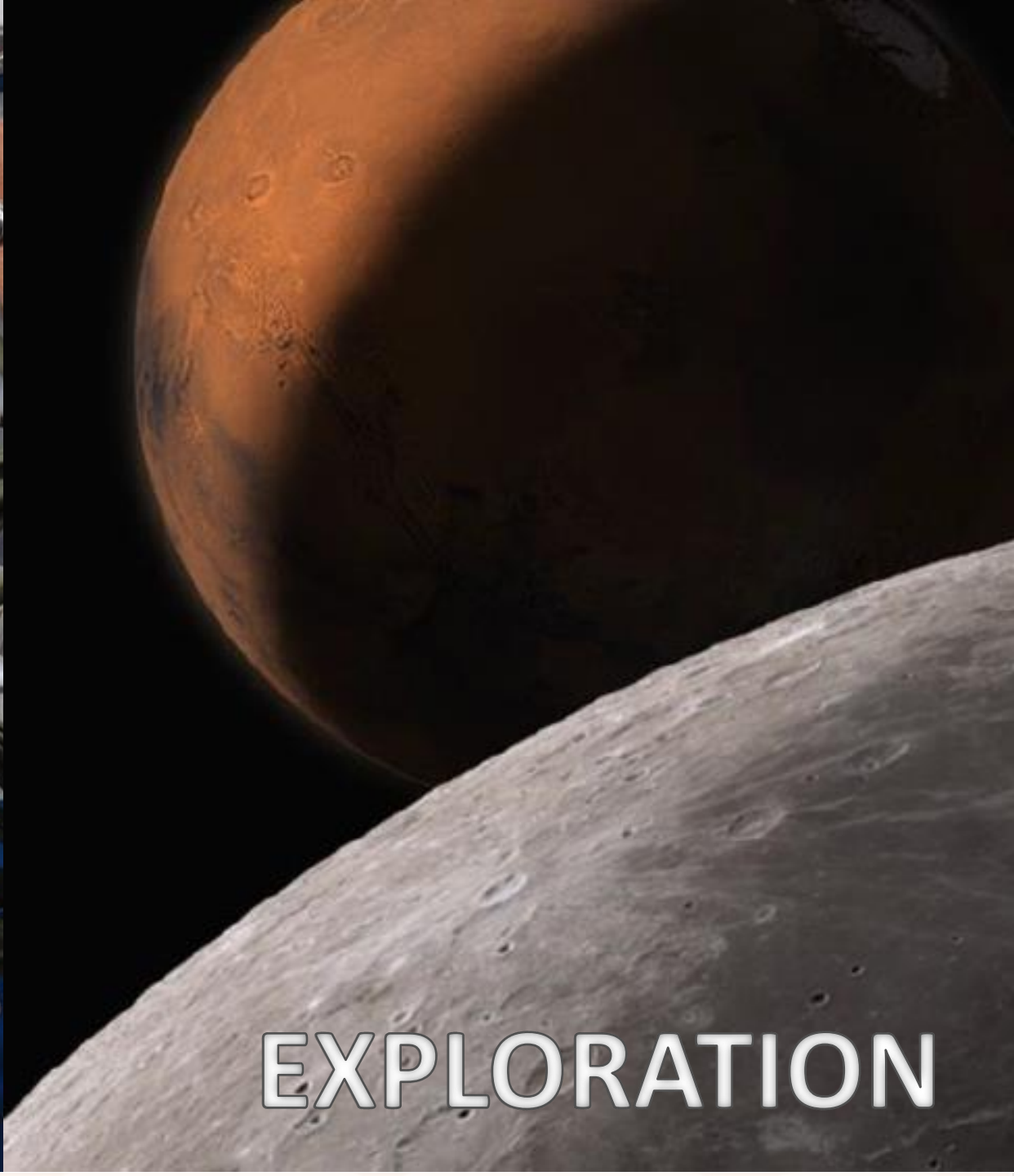
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Human  
SpaceFlight



EXPLORATION



# CNES Background



- Integration & Test manager for



Chemcam instrument for Curiosity rover (2007-2012)



-  SEIS main instrument for Insight lander (2012-2018)



Tech demo manager on X-IFU main instrument of Athena satellite

- 2020 Project Manager for spaceship FR - innovation and application project for Exploration and Human Spaceflight

- 2028 ...

TRL 9

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# ON TO MARS

MARS SURFACE

MARS ORBIT

*Robotic Mars Sample Return*



Goal of Humans on the Martian Surface

Mars Orbital Mission

Mars Transportation Capabilities

# TO THE MOON

LUNAR SURFACE

LUNAR ORBIT

*Robotic Resource Prospecting Missions*



*Human Lunar Surface Exploration*

# IN LEO

EARTH ORBIT

**Deep Space Gateway**

*Gateway Moon and Mars Mission Support Operations*



*Orion and SLS*



*Commercial Transportation Systems*



*Russian Crew Transportation System*

*International Space Station*

*China Space Station*

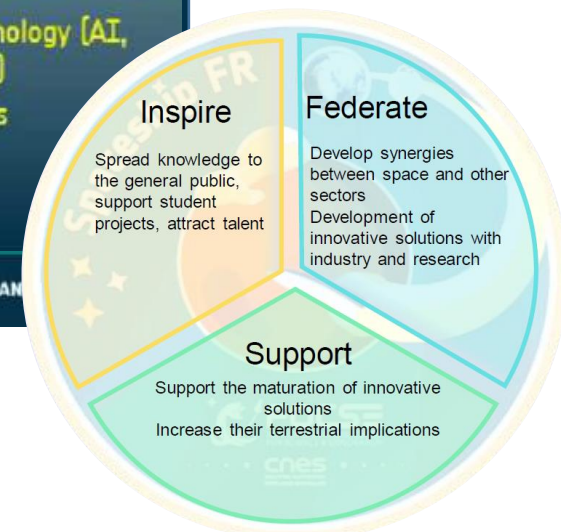
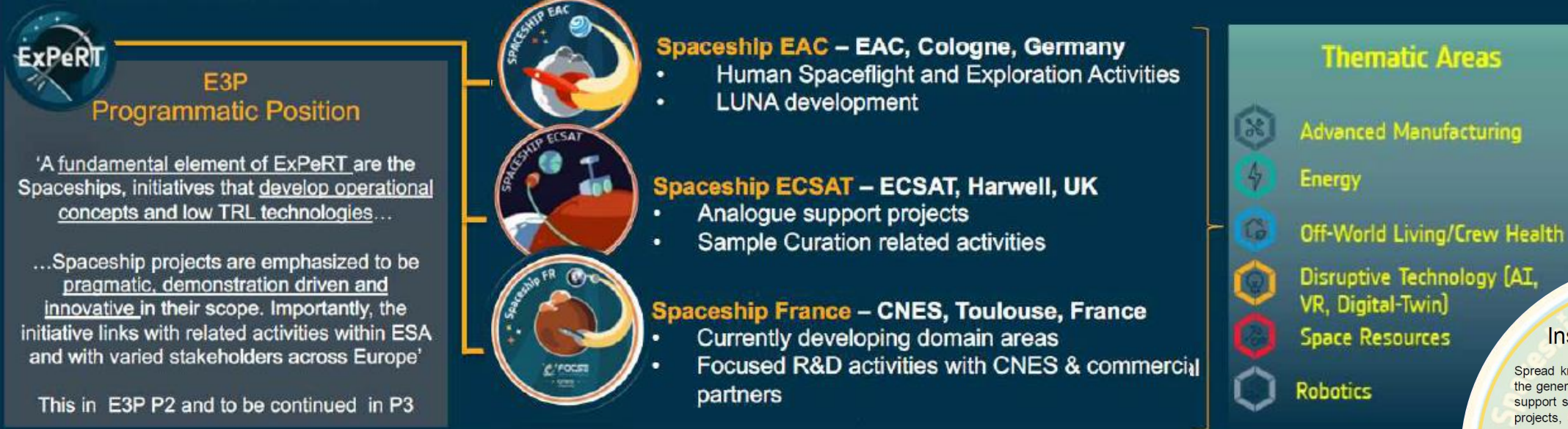
*Future Platforms*





## What are the Spaceships ?

- Highly motivated **innovation teams** matched to their locations, partners and national agencies
- **Dynamic network** of collaborators across Europe, supporting and initiating low-TRL Exploration R&D with an emphasis on **practical demonstration and skunkworks** approach (*'innovate and implement under one roof'*)
- Team members include visiting researchers, students, secondees from commercial entities, national agency staff as well as ESA staff



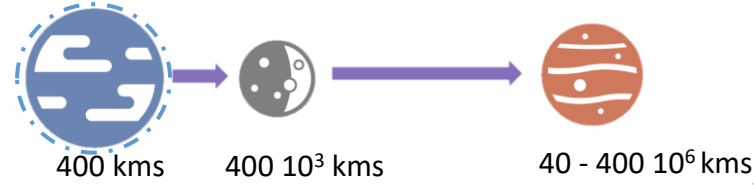
**CNES:** Centre National d'Etudes Spatial  
**ECSAT :** European Centre for Space Applications and Telecommunications  
**EAC :** European Astronaut Center  
**ESA :** European Space Agency

**E3P:** European Exploration Envelope Programme  
**ExPeRT:** Exploration Preparation, Research and Technology  
**R&D :** research and development  
**TRL:** Technology Readiness Level



# CONTEXT : France on the Moon, Mars

## Scope for Exploration



**INNOVATION**

**COOPERATION**

**COMPETITIVENESS**

**MULTI-DISCIPLINARY**

**KNOWLEDGE**

**PARTNERSHIP**



**GLOBAL EXPLORATION ROADMAP**

## PLANETARY OUTPOST

De-risking and pushing for the emergence of new technologies / innovative lines of research

Identify the missing technological bricks for maintaining the crew for distant exploration (lunar base, Martian base)

Animate the community of academic and industrial players of excellence to contribute to these developments

**Digital & supervision**

- Habitat & protection  
→ Provide protection to the crew from extreme environment.
- Life Support System & habitability  
→ Provide a habitable environment to ensure the crew's survival and satisfy its basic needs.
- Crew Health & performances  
→ Monitoring and maintain the crew members' physical & psychological

- Power generation and energy storage  
→ Technologies related to power generation, Automation & robotics
- Distribution and energy storage  
→ Assist the crew operation through automation,  
→ Help surface mobility and manipulation
- Autonomy & In-Situ Resources Utilization  
→ Enable the utilization of resources from the outpost environment to support the



# SPACESHIP FR Technological Bricks

Power generation and energy storage

→ Technologies related to power generation,

distribution and energy storage



Battery at low temperature  
Flexible Solar panel



Autonomy and In-Situ

Resource Utilization of resources from the outpost environment to

support the mission sustainability.

- Site mapping thanks to dedicated instrument
- Regolith processing
- H<sub>2</sub>O/O<sub>2</sub> processing
- 3D manufacturing
- Recycling



Life support system

→ Provide a habitable environment to ensure the crew's survival and

- Environmental control
- Monitoring & control
- Fire prevention detection & suppression
- Thermal control
- Dedicated Food
- Fertilizer thanks to bio-reactor
- Recycling waste

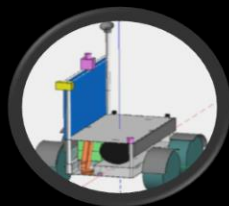


Automation and

robotics assist the crew operation through automation, surface

mobility and manipulation

- Dust mitigation
- Autonomous navigation
- "follow me"



Crew health and

performance and maintain the crew members' physical & psychological health

while improving its efficiency



- Medical food/pharmaceutical by using bioreactor
- Medic device : ultrasonic scan/MRI scan
- Artificial Intelligence A.I
- Health monitoring

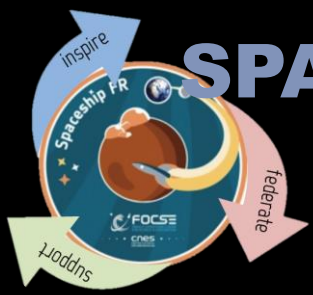


Structures and

shelter provide protection to the crew from extreme environment

- deployable habitat - shelter
- Dust mitigation
- Space radiation protection
- Monitoring and control





# SPACESHIP FR -- Key driver projects



Food managment system

Autonomous Habitat - Durable Dome for Human Lunar Exploration

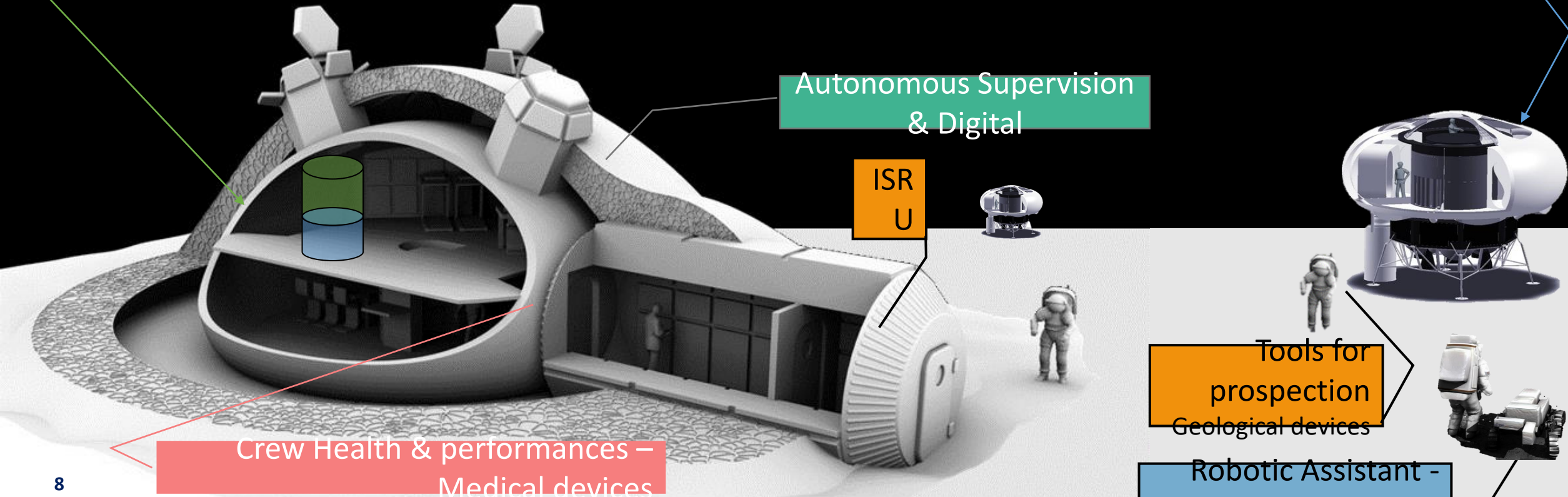
Autonomous Supervision & Digital

ISR  
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Tools for  
prospection  
Geological devices









Robotic Assistant -  
LORA

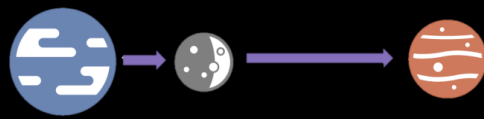
Crew Health & performances –  
Medical devices







Tech area Objectifs					 	
LISE Lunar Shelter Moon Base	Radioprotection Deployable structure AirLock Maintenance Repair & Overhaul	CO <sub>2</sub> Scrubbing Air purification Water purification Fire mgmt. Grey water	Kit 1 <sup>st</sup> aids Stress mgmt. Human factors Surgery room	RFCS 1000 W Solar panel Flexible Battery @ low temperature	Supervision AI-4U Digital twin	3D printing →Alloy / Regolith PHA O <sub>2</sub> extraction
LORA Lunar astronaut assistant	I/F rover - Habitat		Stretcher	RFCS 100 W Solar panel Flexible Battery @ extreme Temperature[-150;100]	Autonomous rover Follow me Help astronaut for tasks Multi-sensors Multi-commanding Dust mitigation	Sensitive sensor for regolith
Food mgmt system	Green house Radioprotection	Food production CO <sub>2</sub> regulation Air purification	Alicaments POU		Plant robot Digital Twin nutrition AI-4U Digital twin greenhouse	Food mgmt. AI for storage
 Infirmary	Radioprotection for Human	Air purification	Surgery equipments Imagery equipments Digital twin		Autonomous medical intervention Training and skills maintenance Digital twin Astronaute	Organoid



# Durable Dome for Human Lunar Exploration

What for: have a shelter to enlarge the lunar exploration area

When: before the construction of the lunar base

Technological devices :

- Deployable structure, selfhealing,....
- Radiation protection
- Supervision/Communication
- **Medical devices – 1st aids kit (Echographe with IA/IRM – PhysioTools-)**
- Energy (RFCS/ Flexible solar panel)
- Storage (small tools, dry food, ECLSS consommable,... )
- **ISRU Tools (Optical, geological,...)**
- **Recycling**
  - Waste mgmt
  - H<sub>2</sub>O Purification / CO<sub>2</sub> Traitement
  - Grey & Yellow water mgmt

**Keys Words: Exploration, Reusable, Deployable**

## Main requirements

2 astronauts

6 - 8 consecutive days

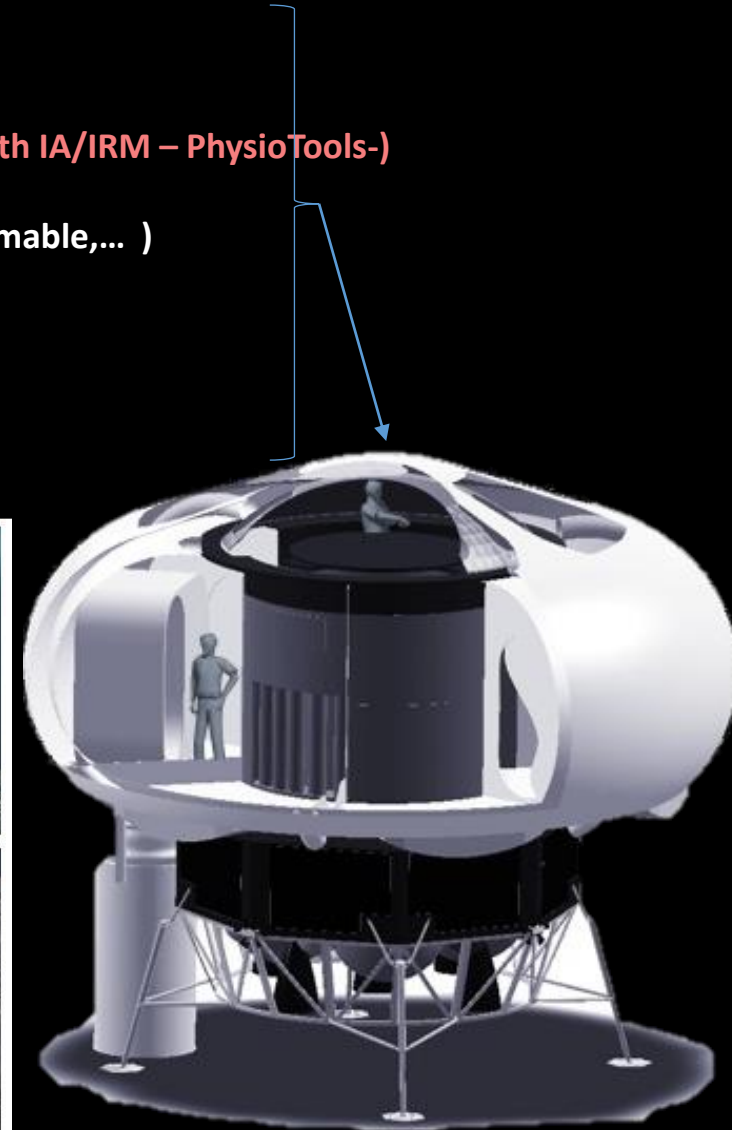
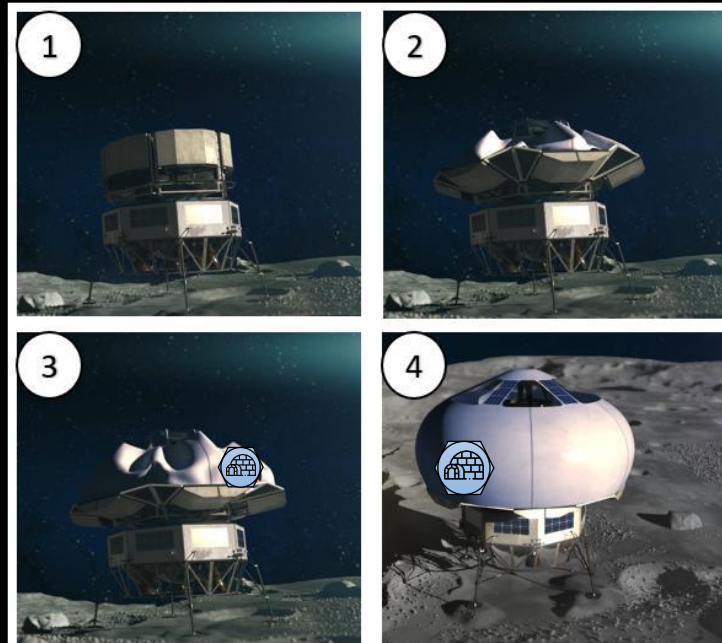
Reusable

Frequency of reused : 28 days

Autonomous deployment

2 stand-by modes: partial and total

EL3 Payload constraint



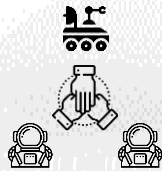
## Introduction

**Context:** Return of mankind on the Moon (Artemis missions).

**System concept:** Lightweight rover aiming at ↑ efficiency and ↓ risks during lunar EVAs.

**Mission concept:** combination of three kinds of missions (*support*, *scout*, and *explore*) to maximize LORA's utility.

**Navigation system :** autonomous and follow me



## Design: platform

**Electrical power:** solar array 2.2 [m<sup>2</sup>],  
Li-ion battery 86 [kg], 594 [Ah].

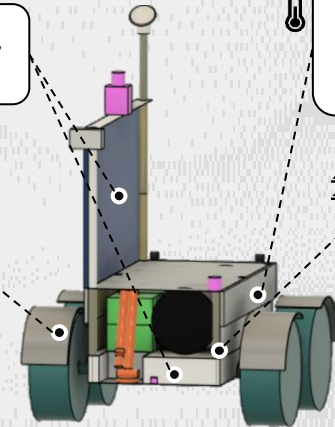
**Locomotion:** 4 wheels, 4 driving motors, 4 steering motors, 4 suspension arms with 1 DOF.

**Data-handling**

**Thermal control:**  
heaters 85 [W],  
2 louvers 0.5 [m<sup>2</sup>] each.

**Structure:** Aluminium panels and beams 43 [kg].

**Interaction & control**



## Design: support functions

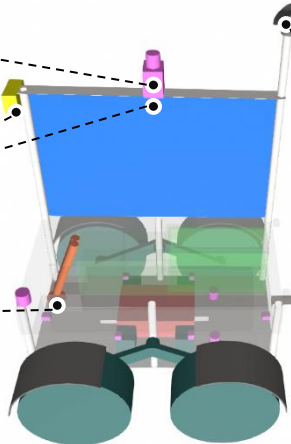
**Imaging and mapping (purple):**  
LiDARs, cameras, IMUs, wheel encoders.

**Light (yellow):** 2 light sources.

**Manipulator (orange):** 5 DOFs, 25 [kg], 450 [W].

**Communication relay:**  
2 antennas (S- and Ka-band) on a mast with variable height.

**Trailer hitch**

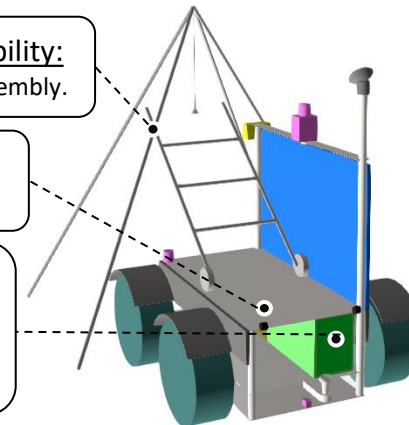


## Design: support functions (cont'd)

**Astronaut carrying capability:**  
Lunar Evacuation System Assembly.

**Workbench:** upper board of the structure, 104 [cm].

**Cargo transport:**  
Drawers to carry tools, samples, instrument packages.



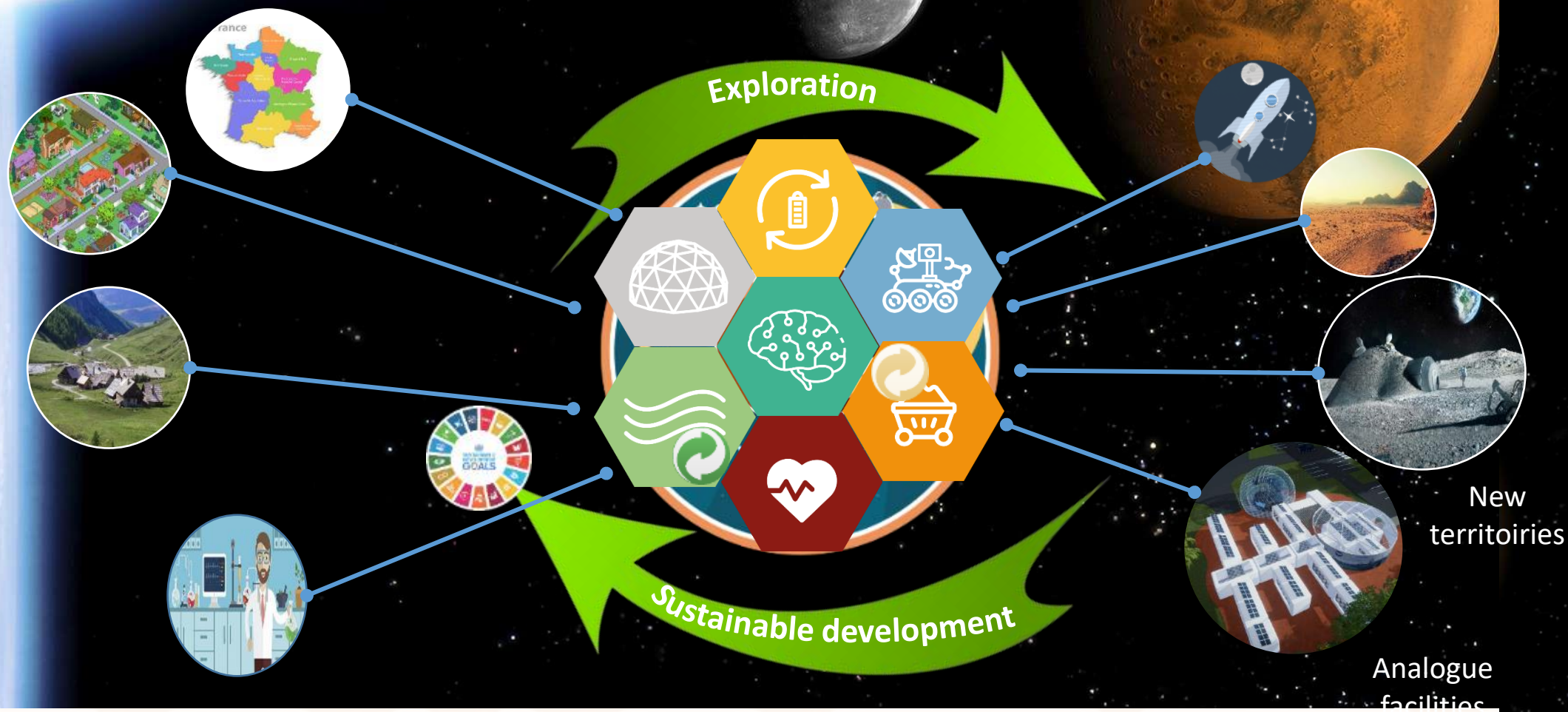
## Main challenges:

Autonomous navigation @ walking speed,  
Lunar night survival, Dust



## PARTNERS SPIN OFF COMMON CHALLENGES FOR «SUSTAINABLE TERRITORIES»

Food production, Health, Materials Waste Recycling, Smart Habitat, Radiation, Energy, Digital technologies, Air & Water regeneration, In Situ Resource Utilisation, Robotics



Thank you for your attention



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Lunar and Martian exploration, the next orbiting and surface missions at the Moon will feed forward to the first