

### Expanding Space Accessibility via Capability Building and Innovation

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"The exploration and use of outer space should be carried on for the benefit of all peoples irrespective of the degree of their economic or scientific development..."

Outer Space Treaty, 1967





rg/News/dh/photos/large/2015/September/09-09-E-SDG-Poster.jpg http://www.un.o

- 1. Earth Observation
- 2. Satellite Communication
- 3. Satellite Positioning & Timing
- 4. Human Space Flight and Microgravity research
- 5. Inspiration (including education, outreach)
- 6. Space Spinoffs
- weather, astrobiology, etc)

Space-enabled activities contribute to sustainable development...

7. Scientific Research (earth science, astrophysics, space

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- Space Systems Capacity Coordination
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- Access to Space Assets
  - Perform studies and assessments identifying barriers to access and examples of effective projects; Perform pilot projects demonstrating best practices
- Capacity Building
  - Host capability building programs, international research collaboration and personnel exchange
  - Study and evaluate capacity building outcomes







http://www.lampartners.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/MediaLab\_EST0\_006.jpg



### **Research Group at the MIT Media Lab:**

# Advancing justice in Earth's complex systems using designs enabled by space





### The Space Enabled Research Group uses four types of methodology:

- 2) Using software to model space-enabled systems
- 3) Creating novel approaches to spacecraft engineering
- 4) Designing and evaluating space-enabled applications for development

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1) Research social and historical aspects of space initiatives

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Contextual Sectors	Narrow Contextual Levels	<b>Broad Contextual Levels</b>
Technology	What is your organization's technological capability?	What is the state of the art of the techno
	What are your innovative technologies?	What technology is available on the intern market?
	What relevant technologies are you missing?	What opportunities to collaborate with international partners on technology development?
Organization	What experiences does the implementing organization have with space activities?	What is the operating model for eac organization contributing to the satell program?
Facilities	What facilities exist in the organization to support the space activity?	What facilities are available among par organizations to support the program
Regulation and Legislation	What regulation and laws within the country impact the execution of the space activity?	What international law, agreements and impact the execution of the program –esp in the areas of spectrum management, e control and liability?









International Context

> National Context

Supporting Context

Organizational Context

> Space Activity

# Understanding Space Activity Context

For each level, consider factors regarding Technology, Policy, **Collaboration and Economics** 





- Primary Stakeholders: Making decisions to shape the system
- Secondary Stakeholders: Influencing decisions of Primary Stakeholders
- Tertiary Stakeholders: Beneficiaries of the System

Source: Wood and Wolf in Alonso Perez and Qedar, 2014

# Analyze Stakeholders



## Identify Stakeholder Needs, Desired Outcomes and Objectives for the System



•What problems or desires are stakeholders facing?

•What do stakeholders want the world to be like in the future?

 What activities will a system do to contribute to the desired outcomes?



### Example: Monitoring Risk of Malaria Epidemics to Inform Disease **Control Strategies**



• What problem are stakeholders facing? • Approx. 200 million malaria cases and 580,000 deaths in 2013, especially impacting less developed countries

•What do stakeholders want the world to be like in the future? •Reduce malaria deaths to near zero; reduce global malaria cases by

• What activities will a program do to contribute to the desired

 Apply data from satellites and other sources to inform malaria control strategies; create Malaria Early Warning System





## One of the targets of SDG 3 is to eliminate epidemics of malaria and other vector-bourne diseases





#### **Malaria Early Warning System Objectives**



 Derive hazard model from environmental and weather data Produce vulnerability model from census data and health information

 Run transmission model based on the life-cycle of malaria parasite and vector Forecast which regions will be most vulnerable to a malaria outbreak based on model

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#### Respond to Threat

- Treat malaria-infected patients
- Coordinate response
- Notify regional and local leaders
- Move supplies to local health facilities
- Educate local population
- Execute indoor residual spraying campaign
- Distribute bed nets
- Identify and document malaria cases
- Manage migration of people from high transmission areas

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#### MALARIA CASES IN PERU

Case

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# Space Systems Capacity Coordination

Propose methods to use software-base modeling to inform design of coordination of space systems

Tools for design and engineering of space systems can be used to inform coordination of space systems for development

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- access and examples of effective projects

# Access to Space Assets

 Perform studies and assessments identifying barriers to Perform pilot projects demonstrating best practices

# Satellite-enabled Activity in Africa uses domestic and international satellite technology (79 Case Studies)

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Lease Capacity

Use Ground Segment

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Process Sat Data

Use Sat Data

Make Regulation

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CYGNSS-4 CYGNSS-6

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Landsat-7

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• Earth Observation (EO) System Design and Implementation

• EO System Operation, Data Retrieval, Calibration & Validation

Earth Science Modeling and Assimilation of Earth Observations

• EO Data Discovery & Visualization: Providing interface to find and

• EO Data Transformation: Creating data interface based on user

Knowledge Integration: Combining physical, social, economic and

### Barriers limit the application of space-enabled technology for SDGs

Satellite Engineering	Traditional satell satellist satellites
Satellite Earth Observation	Overwhelming a apply
Satellite Communication	Traditional busin users
Space Launch	Launch opportur certain orbits
<b>Microgravity Research</b>	Access has beer technology
Space Spinoffs	Spinoff opportun

- lite engineering builds large, highly reliable, long-lasting
- mounts of free data are available, difficult to find and
- less models lead to high prices that exclude low-income
- nities have traditionally been expensive and limited to
- n expensive; research has focused on low maturity

ities are found through unplanned connections

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# Future opportunities for application of space-enabled technology for SDGs

Satellite Engineering	New satellite engine provide new operation
Earth Observation	Commercial market and visualization to support systems
Satellite Communication	New communication income market
Space Launch	Launch prices are dand new launch veh
Microgravity Research	Private and governn other microgravity e
Space Spinoffs	Spinoffs will increase industries

ering methods will reduce debris, reduce cost and onal models

will form to apply machine learning, cloud computing infuse satellite earth observation data into decision

or constellations propose to reduce price and target low-

lecreasing, new commercial launch players are emerging nicles will focus on small satellites

nent entities will offer routine access to earth orbit and nvironment

e as the space industry engages more with other

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# Capacity Building

 Host capability building programs, international research collaboration and personnel exchange Study and evaluate capacity building outcomes

Learning	Individual	Group	Institutional	Programma
<section-header><section-header><section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header>	Individuals learning new knowledge and skills	Individuals converting tacit knowledge to explicit knowledge	Achieving new institutional milestones	Observing progress tov goals; mak changes t ensure prog
Long Term	Individuals increasing autonomy in executing tasks	Individuals learning to leverage the contributions of group members	Communicating knowledge across organizational units	Observing b goals and progress tov goals; chang goals as nee

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Exploratory or Demonstration Phase

Building Technology Literacy Phase

# Space Activity Learning Lifecycle

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Innovation Adaptation Diffusion Phase

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# South Africa

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## Thailand

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## United Arab Emirates

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## Singapore

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#### Functions

Identify	Technology Identi
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Access Technology	Local Technology A
Learn Technology	Collaborative Lea
Transfer Technology	Partnership with for
Apply Technology	Technology Appli

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Functions	Service Oriented Attributes	<b>Technology Oriented Attributes</b>
Fundraising	Seek funding support formally through providing service	Seek funding support formally through providing new technology achievement
Supplier	Selected based on formal process that is acceptable to funders	Selected based on <b>trust</b> and common objectives
Satellite	High complexity and performance	New feature or performance
Training	Emphasizes <b>theory</b> and <b>formal</b> <b>mentoring</b>	Emphasizes on the job responsibility and mentoring as needed for the project goals

# Defining capability building

Capability Building can happen when an individual or organization experiences a new topic, a new level of autonomy or a new level of complexity.

Less Complex

More Technical

Topic

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## **Evaluating Technical Achievements of Space Capability** Building

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Test

# What Individual Capabilities Do We Want to Build?

#### **Satellite Engineering Skills**

#### **Overall Project Skills:**

Project Definition Requirements Management Software Tools Overall Design skills Procurement, Manufacture, Assembly, Integration &Testing Management & Documentation Launch & Operations Space Systems Engineering

#### **Subsystem Specialties:**

Mission Orbit Design Ground Station Design Communication systems Structural and thermal Attitude control and determination systems Electrical power system On-board computer Academic Research Skills

Identify Topic and Motivation

Identify Literature Gap

**Define Research Question** 

Define Research Methodology

Define Data Sources and Analysis Method

Collect Data; Develop Simulation or Model

Analyze Data

**Interpret Findings** 

**Answer Research Question** 

Present Research

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Wood, D., Polansky, J., Cho, M., "University Partnerships As A Model For Capability Building In Emerging Space Nations," International Astronautical Congress, Jerusalem, Israel, October 2015.

#### Capability Building Evaluation: Technical Learning Outcomes in Academic Research Project

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- The MIT Media Lab stands ready to collaborate with support application of space for sustainable development.
- The MIT Media Lab is be eager to join and play a capability building, accessibility and innovation

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# **UNOOSA** and the Global Space Partnership for SDGs to

leadership role in a network of universities supporting