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Panel Discussion

-Long-term Sustainability of Nano/Micro Satellite Activities

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With a history stretching back almost 252 years (1773), providing technical education within a modern educational environment and strong academic staff, Istanbul Technical University (İTÜ) is strongly identified with architectural and engineering education in Turkey

Department of Astronautical Engineering since 1983



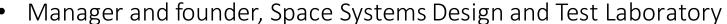
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- UNISEC-GLOBAL SC Member
- NATO CSO-STO AVT National Panel Member
- TA1ALM

Area of expertise: Design, analysis and development of pico- and nanosatellite (9 into orbit – 4 deorbited), manned and unmanned rotorcraft systems (including prototypes), computational fluid dynamics and aerodynamics, propulsion and, defense and education technologies. **Worldwide hands on cansat, cubesat and rocketry course delivery.**





Türkiye's most satellite building & launching institution

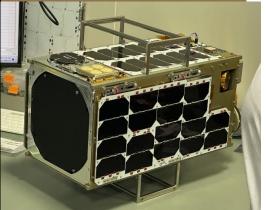
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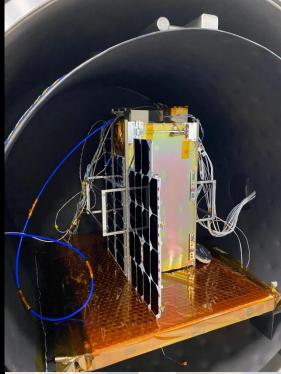
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ITU-SSDTL has completed 8
CubeSats in the lab (all launched), and supported many others into orbit.









GUIDELINES FOR THE LONG-TERM SUSTAINABILITY OF OUTER SPACE ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE

- How does the LST affect nanosatellite programs especially in universities and emerging countries?
- What are the necessary technological breakthrough to live with LST?
- What should UNISEC-Global do to live with LST?





How does the LST affect nano-satellite programs especially in universities and emerging countries?



LST requirements lead to more complex and expensive systems

Propulsion cost

Lower TRL studies



What are the necessary technological breakthrough to live with LST?



- Conduct science/engineering to provide input for affordable Engineering solutions
- Plug and play systems and architecture
- Al based performance increase
 - Exact trajectories and DV calculation leading to min propellant
 - Smart manoeuvring
 - Better Power management to optimize power system
 - Data management
 - Comm management
 - Autonomy
- Water based Propulsion
- Higher thrust EP
- Defy gravity, new Technologies to acces space and to move about planets
- Systems to collect failed SC



ITU-SSDTL TARGETS



EDUCATE AND TRAIN ENGINEERS ON SPACE SYSTEMS, SATELLİTES AND ROCKETS

DEVELOP NANOSAT SYSTEMS TO ADVANCES KNOWLEDGE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Increase capacity of subsystems

- To improve comm speed
- To improve data transfer rates
- To improve agility
- To improve power generation
- To improve lifetime in low orbits
- To improve space Env tolerances

Fault tolerant Software architectures

Ground station non amatuers

HELP NATIONAL and REAGIONAL SPACE TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT KEEP IT MULTIDISCIPLINARY, INTERNATIONAL AND MULTI INSTITUTIONAL

- Analyses of missions
- Earth orbiters
- Travels to moon and Mars
- Randevouz with space objects
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 On board propulsion SYSTEMS, Water based SYSTEMS, Hybrid rocket development



What should UNISEC-Global do to live with LST?



Suport work on breakthrough Technologies

Continue international collaborations

 Provide guidence and ready to use affordable subsystems





We Look Forward To a Fruitful Cooperation

Towards being a civilization living in the Solar System

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