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# Progress in space Engineering education and research programs



**Tunisia/North Africa** 



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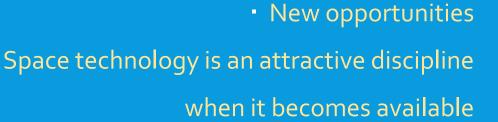
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# **TUNISIAN UNIVERSITIES**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> African Research and Innovation Ranking (1st ZAF)
- 11 millions population
- 13 universities •
- 22400 Teachers
- 320 000 students
- 1/3 in Fundamental sciences, engineering, Informatics, multimedia,...









## WORKING GROUP ROADMAP OF UNISEC TUNISIA

- Promotion of National projects:
  - prototypes, experiments and launch operations, imaging, Monitoring, ground station, safety methods, Cansat....
- Working on Fundraising and Project Support:
  - design satellites, water monitoring, ground station, devices and antennas ...
- Promotion of the alliance:
  - Research-Education-Business-Industry-Government-Agencies
- Organization of events:
  - conferences, competitions, calls for mobilizing actors collaboration
- Federation and dissemination:
  - Training supports and academic activities in the field.
- Promotion of International Cooperation:
  - (IAA, UNOOSA, BSTI, UNISEC, other organization and universities...)





## BECAUSE SPACE IS SPECIFIC AND MULTIDISCIPLINARY .....

- We introduce courses in MSc level for Basic approaches:
- Astrophysics ...
- Based knwoledge in space physics and technologies
- Satellite Telecommunication
- Global Positioning Systems
- Signal and image processing
- Small satellite design
- Mecatronics & Microelectronics
- Computer Technology (Space & Ground Segments)
- Space Flight Projects NASA



#### Mission projects & Ground station

University of Monastir Pr Kamel BESBES

> **University** of Sfax Pr Mohamed Adel ALIMI



Sat Design Power Systems

## University

### Consortium

Sup'Com Tunis Pr Riadh Abdelfattah

SUP'COM

Antennas, RF communication



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#### UAV, Recognition Embedded systems

University

of Sousse

Pr Chokri SOUANI

University

of Tunis El

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## **TUNISIAN AND REGIONAL NETWORK** AGENCIES AND RESEARCH CENTRES

- **CNCT : National Mapping and Remote Sensing Center:**
- INM : National Institut of Meteorolgy
- To consolidate capacity building in space technology with Tunisian space programs we work with two Research Centers and a regional agency
- **CERT: Research and Studies Communication Centre**
- **CRMN:** Centre for Research in Microelectronics and Nanotechnology
- **CRTEAN North African Center for Remote Sensing**
- (Mauritania, Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Libya, Egypt, Sudan)















#### The 2<sup>nd</sup> Maghreb International Courses in Spatial Technology (Nano-Satellites)

University of Monastir 27-28 Mars 2014



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Pr Aguelet Pr Aslan

Mic 2, Mic 3, Mic 4 Maghreb coordinator (2012-2015) 3rd UNISEC Global - Tokyo - 2015

Pr Alimi Mr Hmaied Pr Besbes



# IN RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Develop projects on:

- Water monitoring based on small-satellite real time telemetry.
- Design and Prototype devices and subsystems (ERPSat-1)
- We introduced several talks on our projects and activities, in Tunisia and outside, to develop our network of partners including.
- UN-PSIPW 3rd International Conference on the Use of Space Technology for Water Management, 1-5 April 2014, Rabat, Morocco
- 24th UN/IAF Workshop on "Space Technology for Socio-Economic Benefits" with focus on global health and maritime applications 26 - 28 September 2014, **Toronto, Canada**
- IMEKO TC19 Symposium on Environmental Instrumentation and Measurements September 23-24 2014, **Chemnitz, Germany**
- ATSIP'2015 (Advanced Processing Techniques and Information Fusion: Methods & Applications) 21-24 March 2015, Monastir –Tunisia)

# INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION

- we submitted successfully for funding bilateral research project for two years (2015 and 2016)
- As part of the collaborative initiative between UNISEC-TUNISIA and UNISEC-Turkey,
- Monastir and Sfax Universities with Technical Istanbul University
- Development of Intelligent Control Modules for nano-satellites.
- Informal collaboration with :
- Vigo University, Visiting Professor
- Wurzburg University, Visiting Professor, visiting Young Researcher

# OUR NEW CHALLENGES

#### More National activity expansion

- This requires better UNISEC Tunisia technology capacities.
- Acquisition of equipments for ground station and cubesat elements
- Organize of experimental work meeting as CanSat and cubesat workshop to demonstrate feasibility and accessibility of space engineering.
- Develop new educational issues to space technology and application

#### MENA and africa activity expansion

- Only 3 space agencies:
  - Nigeria (1998), Algeria (2002), SouthAfrica in 2010
  - Interest North African universities to join us
  - New research subjects related to regional development



