

Challenges of Human Exploration of Mars

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- International Space Exploration Coordination Group
- Capabilities and Enablers
 - Spaceport Evolution
 - Legal Framework
 - Commercial Partnerships
- Challenges to getting to the Vision
- Video

Vision - Exploring Space In Partnership

2030s **Leaving the Earth-**2020s **Moon System and Reaching Mars Orbit** Advancing technologies, discovery and creating economic opportunities Operating in the Now Using the International **Space Station**

Phase 0

Solve exploration mission challenges through research and systems testing on the ISS. Understand if and when lunar resources are available

Phase 1

Conduct missions in cislunar space; assemble Deep Space Gateway and Deep Space Transport

Phase 2

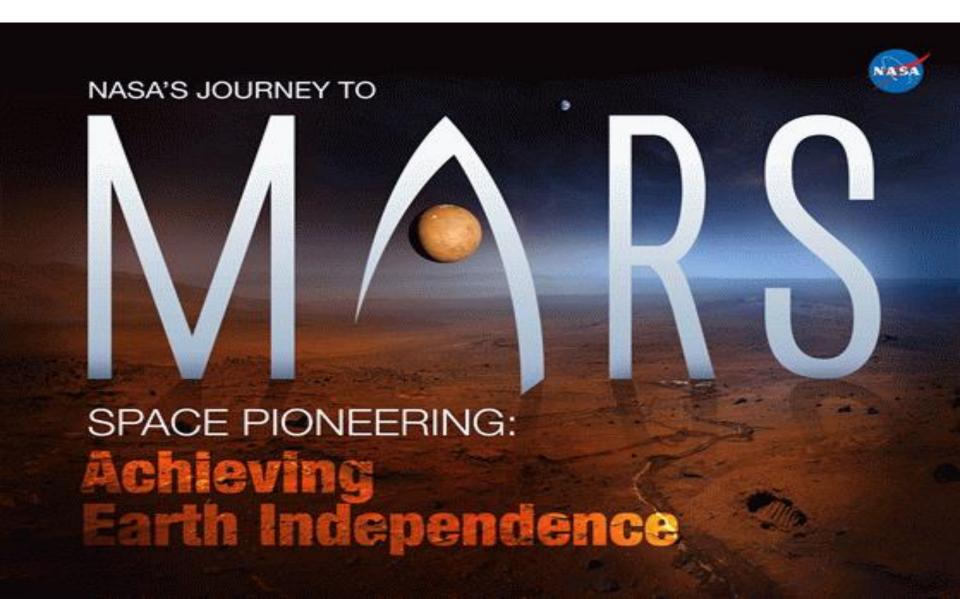
Complete Deep Space Transport and conduct Mars simulation mission After 2030

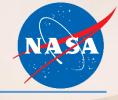
Phases 3 and 4

Missions to the Mars system, the surface of Mars









Challenges of "Living on Mars"

- Transportation (to/from the surface)
- Radiation Protection
- Food
- Water
- Shelter
- Energy Production
- Oxygen Production
- Improved Communications



What does your Vision of "Living on Mars" look like?

Purpose

- Commercial
- Government
- Vacation
- Industry
- Species Survival
- · Other?

Scale

- Outpost
- Community
- City
- Nation(s)



Learning Outcomes

Technical

- Challenge and risk analysis related to operations on Mars
- Government Deep space architecture elements
- Technical challenges and risks for 'Living on Mars'
- NASA operational plans to support Mars Missions
- Technical aspects of in-situ resource utilization related to operations on Mars

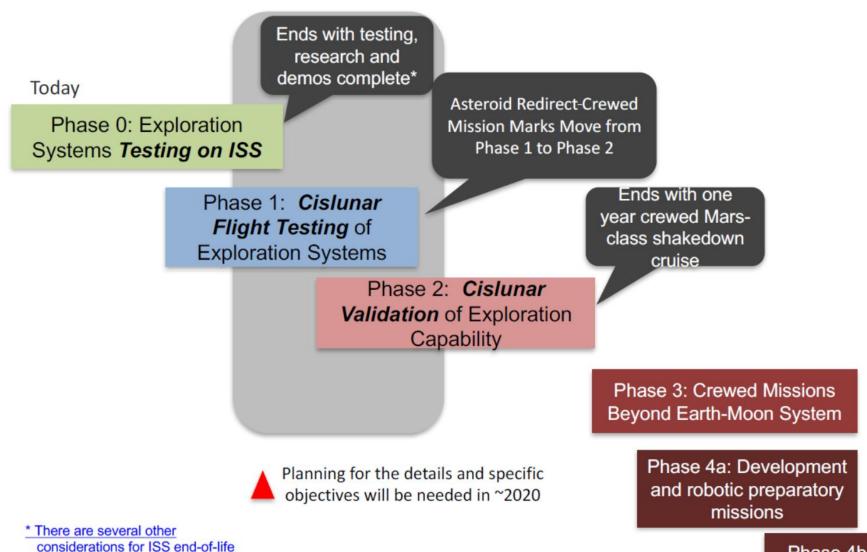
Gap Analysis

- Interdisciplinary team skills to quickly define a vision
- Identify gap between vision and current Technology Readiness Level (TRL)
- Identify One Key Development as critical to enabling vision



Human Space Exploration Phases From ISS to the Surface of Mars as of November 2016



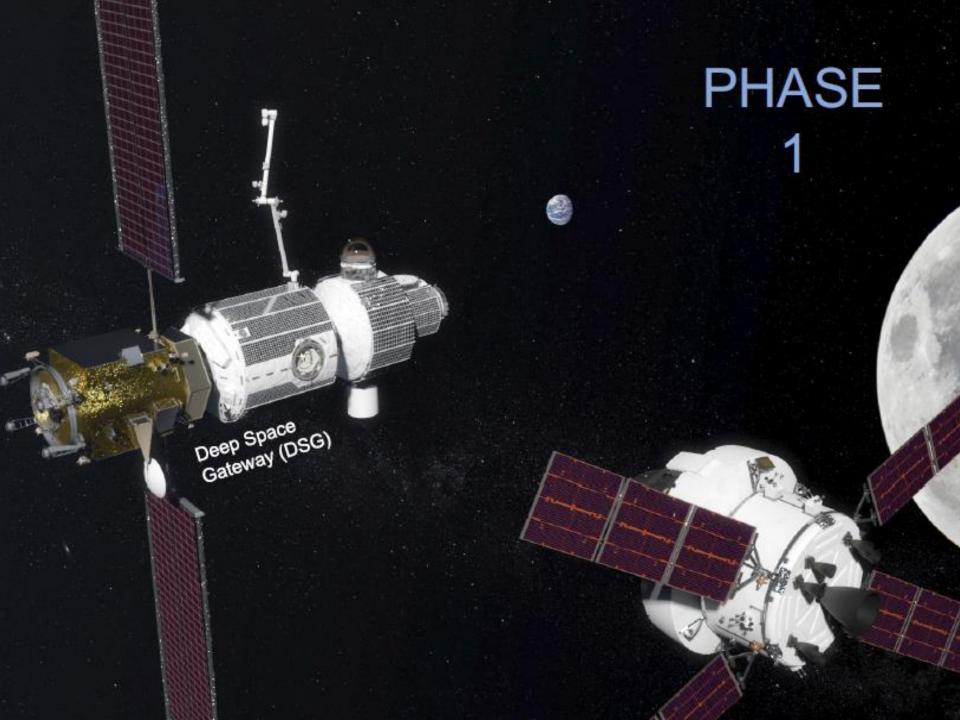


Mid-2020s

Phase 4b: Mars
Human Landing
Missions

2030





Deep Space Gateway Functionality



Assumptions

- Deep Space Gateway provides ability to support multiple NASA, U.S. commercial, and international partner objectives in Phase 1 and beyond
- The Gateway is designed for deep space environments
 - Supports (with Orion docked) crew of 4 for total mission up to 42 days
 - Supports buildup of the Deep Space Transport
 - Open trade for compatibility for operations in Low Lunar Orbit

Emphasis on defining early Phase 1 elements

- Gateway Power Propulsion Bus
- Gateway Habitat
- Logistics Strategy

Future work to refine later elements; early feasibility trades complete

- Airlock
- Deep Space Transport

Deep Space Gateway (DSG) Transport (DST) PHASE

Deep Space Transport Functionality



Assumptions

- Deep Space Transport provides habitation and transportation needs for transporting crew into deep space including supporting human Mars-class missions
- The Transport system life will be designed for:
 - Reused for 3 Mars-class missions with resupply and minimal maintenance
 - Crew of 4 for 1,000 day-class missions in deep space
 - Launched on one SLS 1B cargo vehicle resupply and minimal outfitting to be performed in cislunar space

Emphasis on supporting shakedown cruise by 2029

- Shakedown cruise to be performed in lunar vicinity
- Utilizes deep space interfaces and common design standards

Future work trades

- Shakedown cruise objectives
- Mars reference mission functional requirements

How are we leading future human exploration?

- Maximizing utilization of the International Space Station
- Actively promoting LEO commercialization
- Resolving the human health and performance challenges
- Expanding partnerships with commercial industry
- Growing international partnerships
- Building the critical Deep Space Infrastructure
- Enabling the capabilities to explore multiple destinations



International Space Exploration Coordination Group (ISECG)











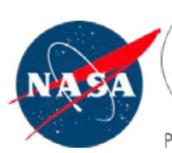
















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International Space <u>Exploration</u> Coordination Group

Need: Coordinate multiple Space Agencies to achieve a shared vision of coordinated human and robotic space exploration focused on Solar System destinations where humans may one day live and work.

Benefits:

- Scientific Knowledge
- Sustained Human Presence
- Expand Economic Influence
- Global Partnership
- Inspiration & Education

Goals:

- Search for Life
- Extend Human Presence
- Develop Exploration Technologies and Capabilities
- Perform Science to Support Human Exploration
- Stimulate Economic Expansion
- Perform Space, Earth, and Applied Science
- Engage the Public in Exploration
- Enhance Earth Safety

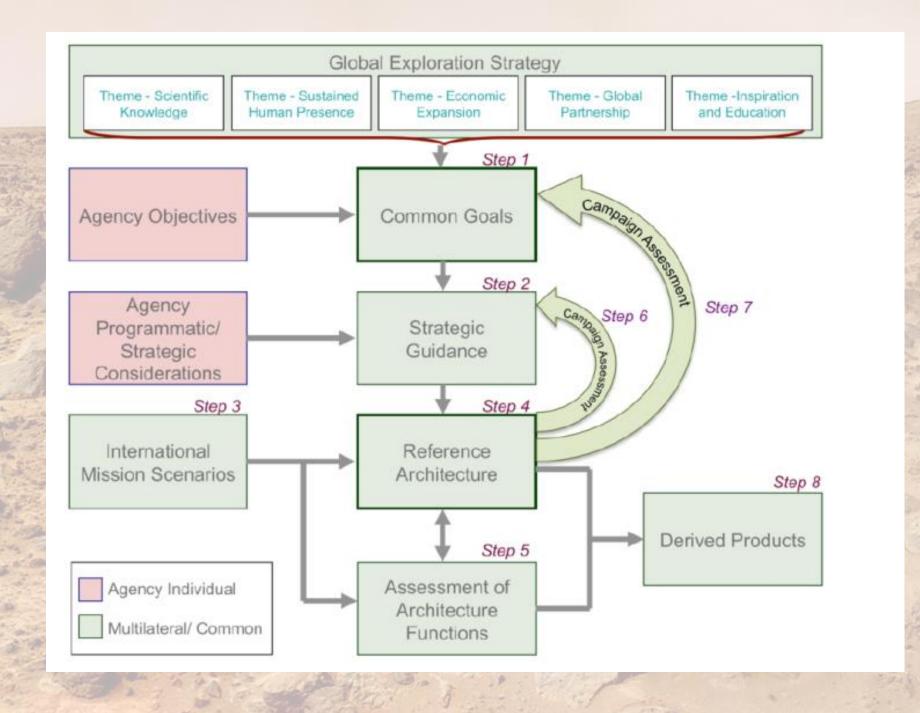


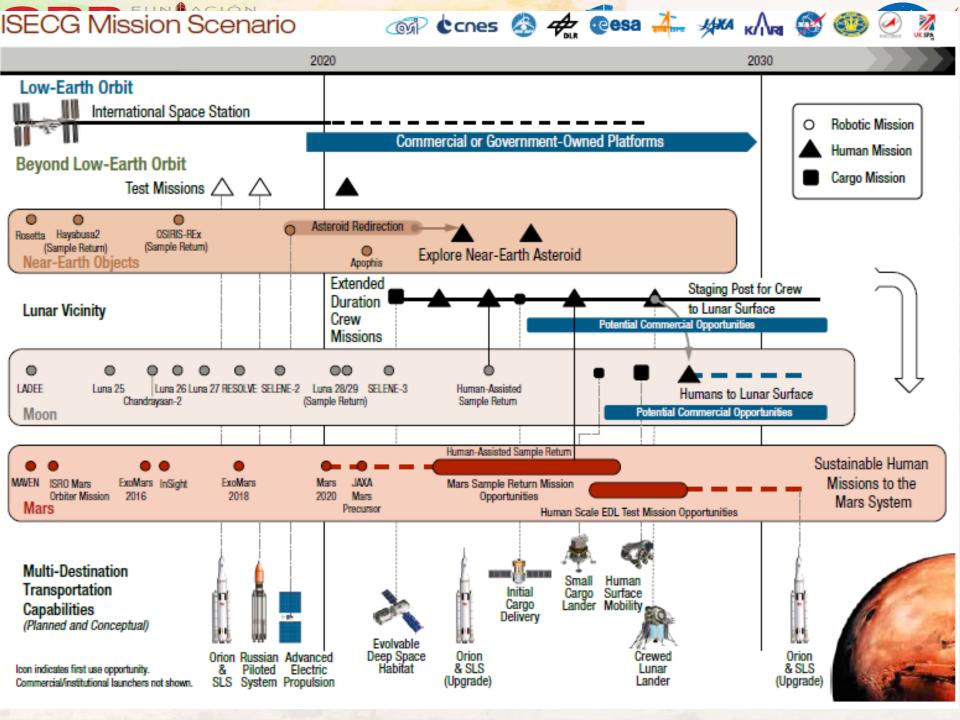
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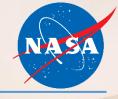
Objective: Destination specific Objectives were developed by ISECG, reference ISECG website

Mission: Develop Global Exploration Roadmap (GER) as a Reference Architecture

- GER 1.0 released Sept 2011
- GER 2.0 released August 2013
- GER 3.0 under development
- https://www.globalspaceexploration.org/





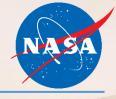


GER – Preparation for Boots on Mars

- The Global Exploration Roadmap outlines the following Human Exploration Preparatory Activities to extend our presence into the solar system:
 - Use of the ISS for Exploration
 - Robotic (precursor) Missions
 - Advanced Technology Development
 - Development of New Space Systems and Infrastructure
 - Analogue Activities
 - Managing Health and Human Performance Risks







Spaceport Evolution at KSC

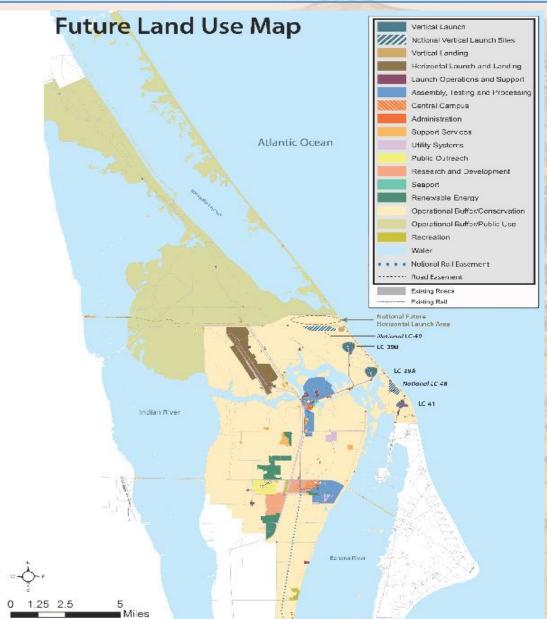
Timeframe	Theme
Pre-2012	Focused Support for NASA Programs
Near Term	Focused Support for Continuing NASA Programs with Emerging Commercial Integration; Economic Sustainability
Long Term	Continuing Support for NASA Programs with Balanced Commercial Integration
Future: Beyond 2032	Continued Support for NASA Programs; Fully Leverage All Assets and Land Area Resources; Optimized Diversified Commercial Integration

Spaceport models like Kennedy Space Center are changing toward airport-like operations that include government and commercial interests



Spaceports are getting planned by architects and city planners for these multiple interests Includes:

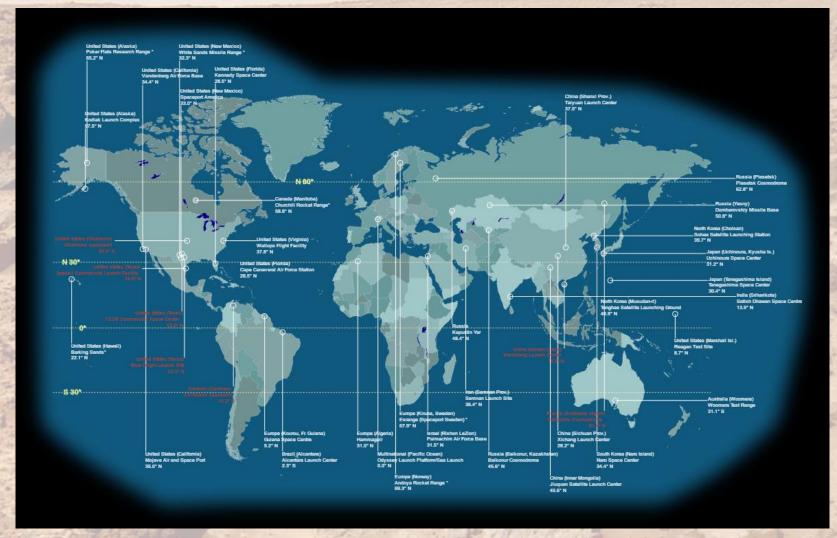
- Administrative Areas
- Transportation
- Recreation
- Utilities
- Public Outreach
- Central Campus
- Horizontal and Vertical Launch and Landing Facilities
- Operational Buffers
- Notional Growth Areas Identified



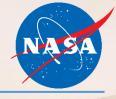




Launch Sites around the World



These planning lessons apply not only at KSC but at spaceports all over the world. And they will apply to destination spaceports as well



Legal Framework

- Fundamental principles Concept of space as the province of all humankind, the freedom of exploration and use of outer space by all states without discrimination, and the principle of non-appropriation of outer space.
- The primary goals of space law are to ensure a rational, responsible approach to the
 exploration and use of outer space for the benefit and in the interests of all
 humankind.
- United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (NOOSA) Space Law http://www.unoosa.org/oosa/en/ourwork/spacelaw/index.html
- Space Treaties & Principles
 http://www.unoosa.org/oosa/en/ourwork/spacelaw/treaties.html



Legal Framework Utilization of Space Resources

- Recovery and Utilization of Space Resources Scientific vs Commercial (Profit)
- 1967 OST (widely ratified) & 1979 Moon Agreement (poorly ratified)
- Differing views in OST Interpretation Article 1 right to utilize resources for private commercial use consistent/not consistent for celestial bodies
- Further detailed information from UNOOSA, Legal Subcommittee 56th Session April 2017, Legal Models Utilization of Space resources

http://www.unoosa.org/oosa/en/ourwork/copuos/lsc/2017/symposium.html



Space Resource Regulation

TITLE IV--SPACE RESOURCE EXPLORATION AND UTILIZATION

Space Resource Exploration and Utilization Act of 2015

(Sec. 402) The bill directs the President, acting through appropriate federal agencies, to:

- facilitate the commercial exploration for and commercial recovery of space resources by U.S. citizens;
- discourage government barriers to the development of economically viable, safe, and stable industries for the commercial exploration for and commercial recovery of space resources in manners consistent with U.S. international obligations; and
- promote the right of U.S. citizens to engage in commercial exploration for and commercial recovery of space resources free from harmful interference, in accordance with such obligations and subject to authorization and continuing supervision by the federal government.

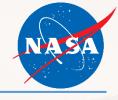
A U.S. citizen engaged in commercial recovery of an asteroid resource or a space resource shall be entitled to any asteroid resource or space resource obtained, including to possess, own, transport, use, and sell it according to applicable law, including U.S. international obligations.

(Sec. 403) It is the sense of Congress that the United States does not, by enactment of this Act, assert sovereignty or sovereign or exclusive rights or jurisdiction over, or ownership of, any celestial body.



Commercial Engagement

- NASA Next Space Technologies for Exploration Partnerships (STEP)
 Habitat Systems Phase 2
 - 6 commercial companies defining architectures for the Deep Space Gateway
 - Phase 3 Solicitation ~2019 for flight systems
- Commercial Partnerships facilitated through Space Act Agreements
 https://www.nasa.gov/open/space-act.html
- Regulatory Barriers to commercial investment/participation



Biggest challenge to getting to the Vision?

- In-situ Resource Utilization (ISRU) living off the land using available resources for fuel, life support, etc.
- Food Production growing plants, fish, etc. and sustaining life using what you bring from Earth
- Human health radiation damage during transit and at Mars and reduced gravity adaptation
- Cargo upmass and transportation to Mars cost and availability for supplies from Earth
- Policy legal and commercial barriers
- Many, many more...





<u>Inspiration: Video – Mars Exploration Zones</u>



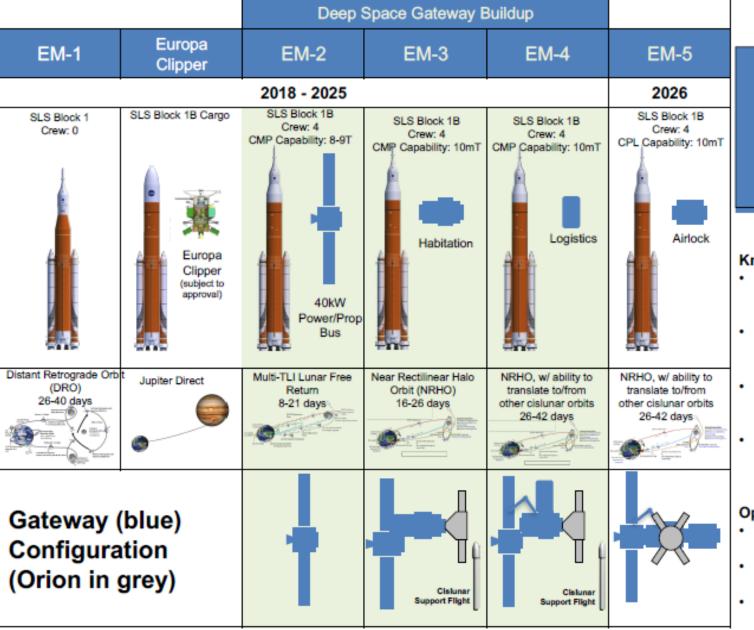


Notional SLS manifest for Deep Space Gateway and Deep Space Transport

Phase 1 Plan

Establishing deep-space leadership and preparing for Deep Space Transport development





These essential
Gateway
elements can
support multiple
U.S. and
international
partner
objectives in
Phase 1 and
beyond

Known Parameters:

- Gateway to architecture supports Phase 2 and beyond activities
- International and U.S. commercial development of elements and systems
- Gateway will translate uncrewed between cislunar orbits
- Ability to support science objectives in cislunar space

Open Opportunities:

- Order of logistics flights and logistics providers
- Use of logistics modules for available volume
- Ability to support lunar surface missions

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(PLANNING REFERENCE) Phase 2 and Phase 3

Looking ahead to the shakedown cruise and the first crewed missions to Mars



Transport Delivery		Transport Shakedown		Mars Transit	
EM-6	EM-7	EM-8	EM-9	EM-10	EM-11
2027		2028 / 2029		2030+	
SLS Block 1B Cargo P/L Capability: 41t TLI	SLS Block 1B Crew: 4 CMP Capability: 10t	SLS Block 1B Cargo P/L Capability: 41t TLI	SLS Block 2 Crew: 4 CMP Capability: 13+t	SLS Block 2 Cargo P/L Capability: 45t TLI	SLS Block 2 Crew: 4 CMP Capability: 13+t
Deep Space Transport	Logistics	DST Logistics & Refueling	Logistics	DST Logistics & Refueling	Logistics
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Reusable Deep
Space
Transport
supports
repeated
crewed
missions to the
Mars vicinity

Known Parameters:

- DST launch on one SLS cargo flight
- DST shakedown cruise by 2029
- DST supported by a mix of logistics flights for both shakedown and transit
- Ability to support science objectives in cislunar space

Open Opportunities:

- Order of logistics flights and logistics providers
- Shakedown cruise vehicle configuration and destination/s
- Ability to support lunar surface missions