

PROGRAM SPACE TRENDS

5th-6th December 2024

DAY 1	
9:30 Registration and morning cup of coffee	
10:00	Welcome to Space Trends Conference! Opening remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• PhD Eng. Paweł Steżycki, General Director of the Łukasiewicz – Institute of Aviation• PhD Michał Doligalski, IGF Poland, Director of the Department of Innovation and Development, Ministry of Science and Higher Education• PhD Eng. Maciej Zasuwa, Vice-Dean for Education, Faculty of MeIL, Warsaw University of Technology• Col. Marcin Mazur, Vice President of the Polish Space Agency
10:15	Introduction speech <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Green propulsion: from AMBER Rocket to orbital operations PhD Eng. Adam Okniński, Director of Space Technologies Center (Łukasiewicz - Institute of Aviation)
10:30	KEYNOTE SPEECH Professor Michael Gozin (School of Chemistry, Tel Aviv University) “Janus-type Hypergolic Fuels for Hybrid Systems using H ₂ O ₂ and HAN – based oxidizers”
11:00 Coffee break	
11:15	Panel Discussion 1 Technical Challenges in the Development of Green Space Propulsion – Environmental Impact vs. Cost and Availability <i>Moderator:</i> Kamil Sobczak - Head of Space Propulsion Department Łukasiewicz - Institute of Aviation <i>Panelists:</i> 1. Dr. Ing. Christoph Kirchberger - Head of Department Institute of Space Propulsion Satellite and Orbital Propulsion, German Aerospace Center – DLR Lampoldshausen

	<p>2. Dr Mark Ford - Head of the Propulsion Engineering Section, European Space Agency</p> <p>3. Prof. Niklas Wingborg - Project Manager, FMV</p>
12:30	<p>Busch Group – market insight:</p> <p>How vacuum technology enables progress in spaceflight (Jan-Hendrik Doerr, Market Manager R&D, Busch Group)</p>
12:45 Lunch	
13:45	<p>Panel Discussion 2</p> <p>Bringing New Space Propulsion to the Market</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Dr Jamila Mansouri - Head of Propulsion, Aerothermodynamics and Flight Vehicles Engineering Division, European Space Agency</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i> TBD:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Andrew Clark - Head of Propulsion Products and Tanks, Airbus Defence and Space (online) 2. Błażej Marciniak - CEO, Thaliana Space 3. Derek Harris – Business Development Manager, Nammo Ireland 4. Ismael Gutierrez - Co-Founder & Director of Propulsion, Arkadia Space 5. Joe Hunter - Strategy, Marketing and Sales, Thales Alenia Space
15:00-17:00	<p>LABORATORY TECHNICAL TOUR</p> <p>Discover Łukasiewicz - Institute of Aviation laboratories for space technologies including vacuum propulsion hotfire facility</p>
20.00	Gala Dinner. Tribute to the late Prof Wolański

DAY 2

8:30 Registration and morning cup of coffee

09:00

KEYNOTE SPEECH

Prof. Maurizio Natali (University of Perugia)

"State-of-the-art of high temperature materials for rocket motors: a review"

09:30

TECHNICAL SESSION 1

Chairpersons:

Dr Dirk Schneider, ESA

Dr Łukasz Kapusta, Warsaw University of Technology

"Propulsion testing and modeling"

- Overview of Cryogenic Propulsion Components Tests at the DLR M3 Infrastructure – Justin Hardi (Head of the Rocket Propulsion Technology Department, German Aerospace Center (DLR))
- The commissioning of the high-altitude test facility for space rocket propulsion testing - Michał Zieliński (Engineer at Space Technology Center, Łukasiewicz - Institute of Aviation)
- Challenges in developing students' remote test stand for rocket propulsion systems - Michał Kret (Member of Students' Space Association, Warsaw University of Technology)
- Dynamics of E-pumps Developed for the RELIANCE Rocket Engine - Jiří Kozak (Project Manager, Inpraise Systems s.r.o.)
- The influence of flash-boiling conditions on droplets from impinging-jet spray - Hernan Amaya (Warsaw University of Technology)
- Effect of flash-boiling on spray-wall interaction under low-pressure injection - Rohit Thokala (Aerospace Engineer, Warsaw University of Technology)
- Overview of Rocket Propulsion Test Activities at Łukasiewicz – Institute of Aviation in 2023-2024 - Tobiasz Mayer (Head of the Rocket Propulsion Test Section, Łukasiewicz - Institute of Aviation)
- Throttleable Liquid Propulsion Demonstrator Simulation - Krzysztof Matysek (Simulation Engineer, Łukasiewicz - Institute of Aviation)

11:15 Coffee break

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Panel Discussion 3

Space Propulsion Beyond LEO – the next decades

Moderator:

Dariusz Aksamit - Science Communicator, Medical Physicist, NGO Activist,

	<p>Warsaw University of Technology</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kate Underhill - FLPP Propulsion Engineer, European Space Agency 2. Dr Andrzej Piątkowski - Deputy Director Research and Innovation Department, Polish Space Agency 3. Dr Jiří Kozák, Project Manager, InPraise Systems
12:30	<p>"SOLID AND HYBRID PROPULSION"</p> <p>Chairpersons: Dr Alexander Weigand, Bayern Chemie Dr Christopher Glaser, Research Fellow, German Aerospace Center (DLR)</p> <p>TECHNICAL SESSION 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of a ø610 mm solid rocket motor - Dariusz Sokołowski (Military Institute of Armament Technology) • 3D printing as a viable method of inhibiting solid propellant grains - Michał Tomporowski (Warsaw University of Technology) • Green Flip Control System – a hybrid propulsion solution for rotating a launcher’s first stage - Adam Matusiewicz (Manager of the Experimental Rockets Department, SpaceForest) • Hybrid rocket motors’ development in Students’ Space Association - Bartosz Hyży (Warsaw University of Technology)
13:30 Lunch	
<p>14:30 KEYNOTE SPEECH</p> <p>Leonard Dudziński, Chief Technologist, Planetary Science Division, NASA (online) "The status of Nuclear Propulsion, a critical technology for advancing human and robotic exploration of the solar system"</p>	
15:00	<p>"GREEN PROPULSION"</p> <p>Chairpersons: Kate Underhill (FLPP Propulsion Engineer, ESA) Prof. Niklas Wingborg (FMV)</p> <p>TECHNICAL SESSION 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Propellant Research at DLR Lampoldshausen – Dr. Ing. Christoph Kirchberger (Head of the Satellite and Orbital Propulsion Department, German Aerospace Center (DLR))

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grace Development Programme: A green Engine for Future Spacecraft and Space Transportation – PhD Eng. Paweł Surmacz (Head of the Satellite Propulsion Section, Łukasiewicz – Institute of Aviation) • Engine control unit for a green microsatellite propulsion system – Konrad Wojciechowski (Systems Engineer, Łukasiewicz – Institute of Aviation) • Demonstration of deep throttling with green storable propellants – a step towards future flexible space propulsion – Dawid Cieśliński (Head of the Rocket Analysis and Test Section, Łukasiewicz - Institute of Aviation)
15.50	<p>“FUTURE PROPULSION SYSTEMS”</p> <p>Chairpersons: Dr Agata Józwicka-Perlant, ESA Ewa Majewska, Łukasiewicz – Institute of Aviation</p> <p>TECHNICAL SESSION 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detonative Propulsion Research at Łukasiewicz – Institute of Aviation - PhD Eng. Michał Kawalec (Head of the Space Propulsion Section, Łukasiewicz - Institute of Aviation) • Water Electrolysis Propulsion for Spacecraft: A Comprehensive Review and Status Assessment - Puneeth Bheesetty (Warsaw University of Technology) • Electric propulsion activities in IFPiLM - Maciej Jakubczak (Institute of Plasma Physics and Laser Microfusion)
16:30	Conference Conclusion and Best Presentation Award
17:00	End of the Event