

*"The General Assembly declares 4 to 10 October World Space Week to celebrate each year at the international level the contributions of space science and technology to the betterment of the human condition"*

UN General Assembly resolution, 6 December 1999



World Space Week  
October 4 - 10

## Volunteer Information

Before you take the definitive decision to participate in a unique space event.

The World Space Week Association, in partnership with the Space Generation Advisory Council, Mars Society, the Austrian Space Forum and the Kiwospace Foundation has teamed-up for a series of public Mars analog research demonstrations including the Mars Desert Research Station in Utah. In a unique global outreach and education Mars simulation between 04 – 10 October 2013, teams of researchers, explorers and educators will inspire students and space enthusiasts about the exploration of planet Mars and how we can benefit on Earth.



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Austrian  
Space Forum



The  
Mars Society



Kiwospace  
Foundation



Space Generation  
Advisory Council

## Thank you for contacting us!

This project relies on dedicated volunteers, ranging from space professionals to space enthusiasts – both on-site as well as with remote participation. Most of the activities will be managed by the Mission Control Center of the Austrian Space Forum in Innsbruck/Austria as a global hub. So, the first question you need to answer for yourself is if you could be physically present in Innsbruck between 28Sep-10Oct2013, or parts of this (minimum stay is 3 full days).



Unfortunately, we cannot cover the costs for travel or sojourn, although we will be assisting in affordable accommodations and support you with you travel logistics if you need help (e.g. airport pick-ups).

## *I would like to be physically present in Innsbruck!*

Wonderful! We are not only looking for technical or scientific specialists, but also for people with general communication, IT, graphics or social skills – simply to cover all aspects of the MCC activities. The only minimum requirement is that you consider yourself as deeply interested in space exploration and a team worker in a stressful environment. Judging from previous similar missions, the World Space Week promises to be an exciting, truly international and rewarding experience.

If you would like to join us in Innsbruck, you will be assigned to a team depending on needs and skills. That could mean that we give you a crash course as a flight controller, or ask you to assist the flight planning or remote science team, or support the media group, give public presentations, coordinate skype telecons, sort out administrative challenges or simply help running the logistics behind such a project.

The Mission Control Center is located at the OeWF premises in Innsbruck at Sillufer 3a, 6020 Innsbruck, Austria. Where – managed by a Flight Director – all activities for the MDRS mission as well as all the satellite events will be coordinated. A Flight Planning team under the lead of Sebastian Hettrich (Germany) is responsible for the choreography of the events, a fairly large Media team under the supervision of Anita Heward (United Kingdom) will make sure literally millions of people

will hear about the World Space Week. All Innsbruck actions are managed by Gernot Groemer (Austria), Austrian Space Forum, Remco Timmermans (The Netherlands) will coordinate the World Space Week activities in general as its Executive Director.

If you are interested in a volunteer position in Innsbruck, pls send us the following information so that we can propose an assignment for you:

- Your contact coordinates (full name, age, address, Email, Tel.number, Skype-contact)
- A few words about your expertise/background (e.g. "graphics designer", "IT / XYZ Networks"...) )
- From when to when you will be definitely present in Innsbruck. If you need any Visa-related invitations, please let us know right away.

This email should reach us before 30Aug2013 at [gernot.groemer@oewf.org](mailto:gernot.groemer@oewf.org) and [agnieszka.sekula@oewf.org](mailto:agnieszka.sekula@oewf.org) . We will than contact you for the first introduction telecons.



## I cannot come to Innsbruck, but would like to participate remotely!

Great – that is also possible, your options include

- Participate in the online activities, such as Social Media coverage, blogging, webcasts, writing articles
- Be a local ambassador for the World Space Week, by contacting your local schools, etc for a presentation about Mars Exploration and its benefits for Earth. This may also include telecons with the Mission Control Center in Innsbruck, or even remote science sessions with our research partners, where you could e.g. navigate a Mars analog rover or have a direct telecon with an analog astronaut in a spacesuit when we are running a demonstration test.
- Initiate local media activities: we will have a dedicated media team providing digital material, interview opportunities and other. Get in touch with your local media and spread the word!
- If you live near or have contacts to research institutions with Mars activities, especially if they have hardware to demonstrate, ask them if they'd be interested in getting in touch with us for a televised hardware demonstration via webstream – an easy and low-cost channel for them to get in touch with an international audience.

→ If you think that is something for you, please write us an email with your contact coordinates (how we can reach you, including your time zone), age, which of the above mentioned activities you could envision as an activity and how much time (e.g. 2 hrs/week before and 1 hour daily during the WSW) you could definitely be active for the World Space Week.

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