

Ground System Architectures Workshop 2014

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Ground systems are *always* challenging...

- Fewer \$'s and more mission needed
- Sustaining ground systems while dealing with obsolescence
- Growing cybersecurity concerns
- Space is Congested, Contested, Competitive
- Political and institutional realities
- Unknown issues ARE coming!!!!

... but we have better opportunities

- Space community is growing as barriers to entry are falling
- Information and computing technology widely available and affordable
- World becoming increasingly connected, bringing new ideas, technologies, and ways of doing business



Making the Future a Reality

- "Fast thinking" is easy
 - Over-reliance on "past" as a baseline
 - Innovation falls to politics, funding, institutional inertia, legacy systems, expediency, etc.
- "Slow thinking" is hard work
 - Opens broader range of innovative solutions
 - Allows more thorough evaluation of those solutions
 - Results in more robust, adaptive architecture
 - Achieves high level of mission assurance and capability



Imagine the Future

- What would you do if you had a blank sheet?
- Would you...
 - Operate a satellite from a mobile device?
 - Fuse, share, mine, repurpose data between missions?
 - Aggregate or disaggregate?
 - Use Everything as a Service (XaaS)?
 - Crowd-, Open-, Out-, In- source?
- How could you make this happen?



GSAW Brings the Ground System Community Together

- Civil, commercial, government, international, and academic communities all have contributions to make
- Share lessons-learned on successes AND failures
- Introduce state-of-the-art approaches
- Address system development challenges
- Take advantage of educational opportunities
- Envision the future





Keynote Address

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