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# GLOBAL ANTENNA SHARING PROJECT for achieving Sustainable Development Goals







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## A UNISEC-GLOBAL PROJECT

The Global Antenna Sharing Project initiated by

 Kyushu Institute of Technology, UNISEC-Japan

in collaboration with

 Istanbul Technical University, UNISEC-Turkey

with support of InfoStellar, Japan















# Main Goal of Project

- Efficient use of Micro/Nano Satellite systems (constellations) (300 placed in orbit in 2017)
  - Sharing resources
  - Helping less developed institutions to reach higher levels
  - Increased usage time of expensive systems (ground stations)
  - Reduced downtime
  - Better use of systems
  - Get ready for your satellite before you launch it!
- help yourself help other



# how we can help SDGs...?



































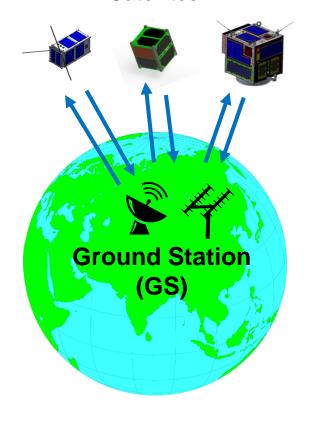


https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/sdgs



#### **Satellites Communication**

#### **Satellites**

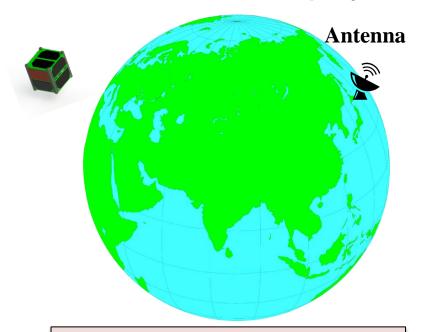


#### **Function of Ground Station**

- Pointing to a satellite (Satellite tracking)
- Send telecommand to satellite
- Receive telemetry/mission data from satellite
- Process RF signal (Mod/Demodulation, Coding/Decoding)

#### **Limitation of Communication Time**

- Limited communication time window in LEO
- Average communication time = 40 minutes/day
- Require long time to download payload data

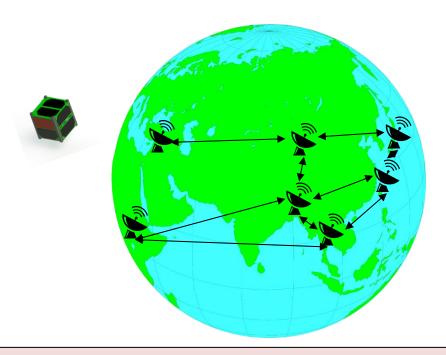


40 min/ 1day [10min x 1 pass x 4 times]



# **Antenna Sharing**

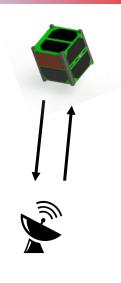
Increase the number of tracking antennas



By connecting more antenna

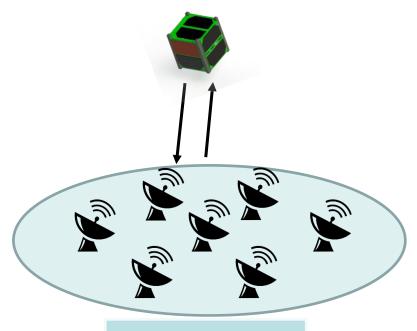
**Time Resolution Increases!** 

# **Advantage of Many Antennas**





1 Satellite with 1 Antenna 35-65 Min / day



**Many Antenna** 

1 Satellite with 7 Antenna 145 Min / day

Time resolution increase up to 3 time!!

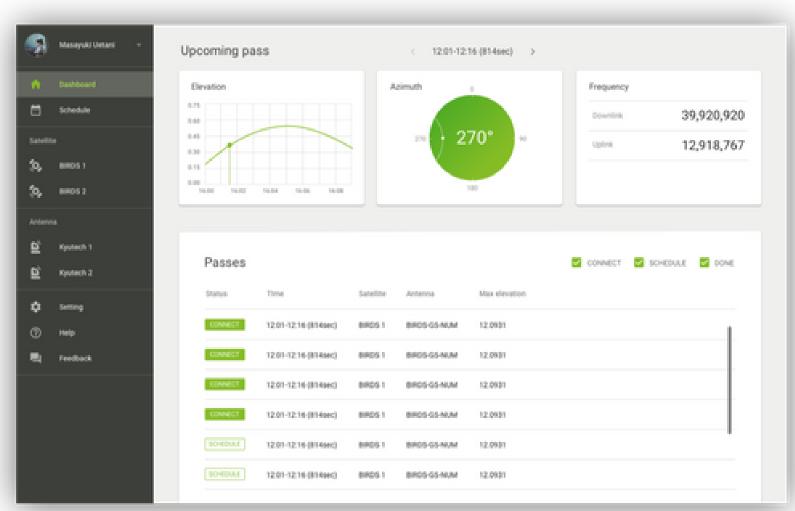
#### A solution: StellarStation

A cloud-based software platform that connects satellite operators with antenna owners, solving both the problem of insufficient satellite access time and unused antenna idle time.

#### The process is simple:

- Share your antenna's idling time and get credits.
- Use your credits to access other antennas around the globe.
- Exchange your credits for cash, or buy additional credits for even more antenna access time.

# Graphical User Interface



# A new standard for satellite ground stations

- Flagship product, StellarStation. Reshape the satellite operation scene in three major ways:
- Shifting the paradigm to antenna sharing, opening up large numbers of antennas for use and dramatically increasing access
- 2. Solidifying satellite communications into a standardized system so that this increased access can be seamlessly utilized
- 3. Creating a real-time transmission environment for satellites, thus lowering the barrier to entry on satellite operations

# space development for everyone

 Building this new ecosystem for ground station networks, we hope to open the door for previously unachievable space development.

Space for everyone!

#### StellarStation Amateur

- Built on the StellarStation platform,
   StellarStation Amateur provides free LEOP support for amateur UHF band satellites.
- Use StellarStation Amateur to access invaluable telemetry data and schedule passes using member worldwide antenna network during a critical phase of launch and satellite operations.

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**ANTENNA** 

#### Additional Equipment for Antenna Sharing



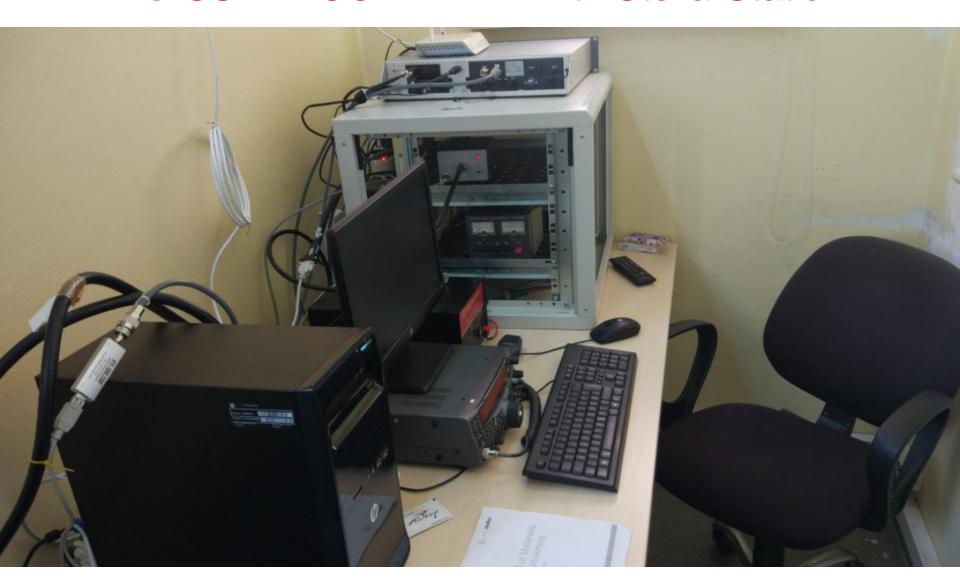
SP1200 Main Unit



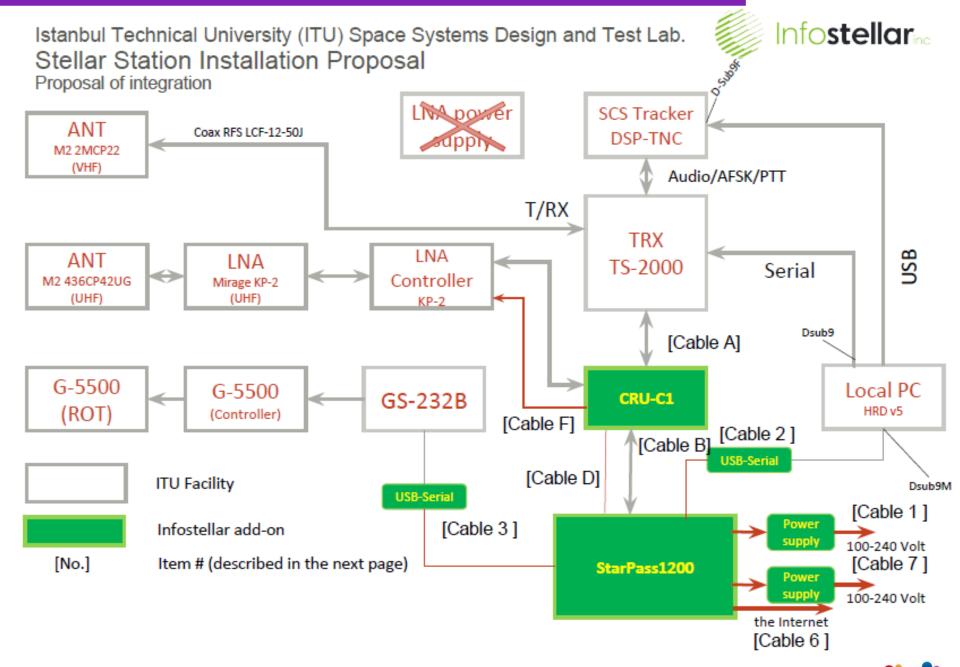


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#### İTÜ-SSDTL COMM LAB with StellarStation







#### **GSN** Device



Front Panel



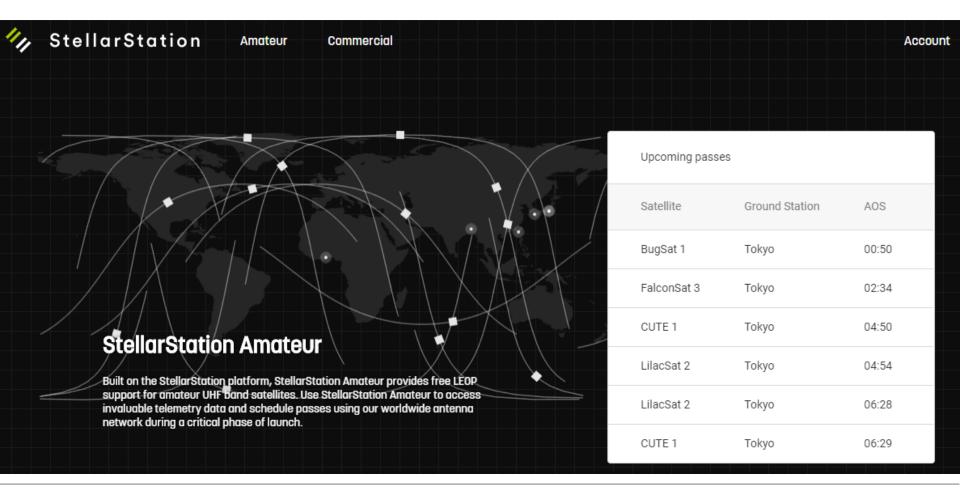
Rear Panel

#### Receiver

- Satellite downlink signal reception
- Output in IQ data (raw data)
- Centralized demodulation and decoding are done by software defined radio (SDR) at Central Server.
- TLM transfer
  - Transfer IQ data or processed data to Central Server
- Transmitter (optional)
  - Satellite uplink signal transmission
  - Encoded and modulated IQ data from Centralized SDR at Central server and transmits uplink signal to satellite.

#### How use our GS network?

Go to: <a href="https://www.stellarstation.com/amateur">https://www.stellarstation.com/amateur</a> and Sign up for an account



#### Select satellite and download data

Latest Telemetry 2 days of tracking left 
i How to decode the IQ data

Status	AOS (Local Time)	LOS (Local Time)	Duration	Max Elevation	Ground Station	
Upcoming	2018/06/19 13:09	2018/06/19 13:19	09:30	73°	Tokyo	Scheduled
Upcoming	2018/06/18 14:26	2018/06/18 14:35	08:49	21°	Tokyo	Scheduled
Upcoming	2018/06/18 12:51	2018/06/18 13:00	09:02	22°	Tokyo	Click for download
Downlinked	2018/06/17 14:07	2018/06/17 14:16	09:30	82°	Tokyo	Download
Downlinked	2018/06/17 06:09	2018/06/17 06:18	09:09	28°	Tokyo	Download
Downlinked	2018/06/16 15:23	2018/06/16 15:32	08:30	16°	Tokyo	Download
Downlinked	2018/06/16 13:48	2018/06/16 13:58	09:11	27°	Tokyo	Download

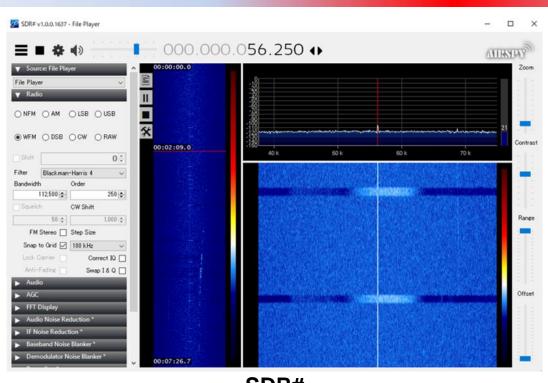
#### **Use web based GUI to:**

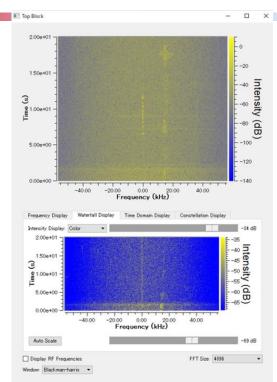
- Download telemetry (Raw Data) from satellites
  - See available passes across the world
- Demodulate / Decode in the cloud and view the Telemetry in browser.\*

\* To be available



# Re-processing satellite downlink data





SDR#

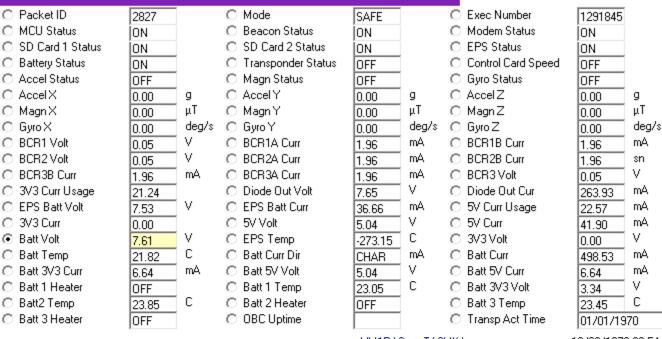
**GNU Radio** 

The satellite downlink data can be re-play and processing by using **SDR#** and **GNU radio** 

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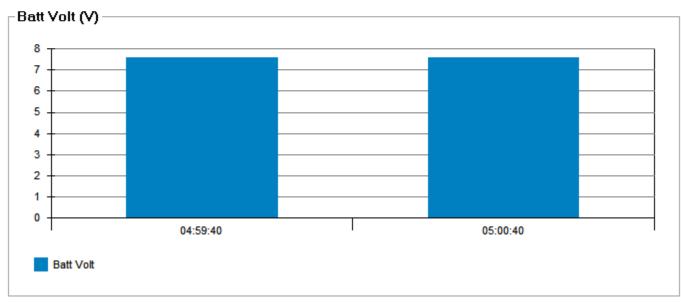
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## Downloaded Data



YM1RAS --> TA2MKA

18/08/1976 03:54:02



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# How to join the Global Antenna Sharing Project with your Antenna

- Contact us to get a template of MoU.
- Review the MoU and make revisions that you deem necessary.
- Fill out Antenna Configuration
   Questionnaire: <a href="https://goo.gl/forms/FNYyp">https://goo.gl/forms/FNYyp</a>
   PrzHNR1V5vu2
- A Block Diagram of your ground station is required to be sent.

#### **Further Benefits**

UNISEC-Global provides Information and help on:

- How to operate a satellite
- Regulations and frequency coordination
- Ground Station Network Access
- Frequency Sharing



#### WHAT?

- How can ease and increase participation in the GS network
- Interaction with others (Satnogs!)
- Other points to consider?



# Questions? Thank you

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