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**Advanced Structures, Mechanisms, Materials
for Spacecraft, Satellite, Launchers**

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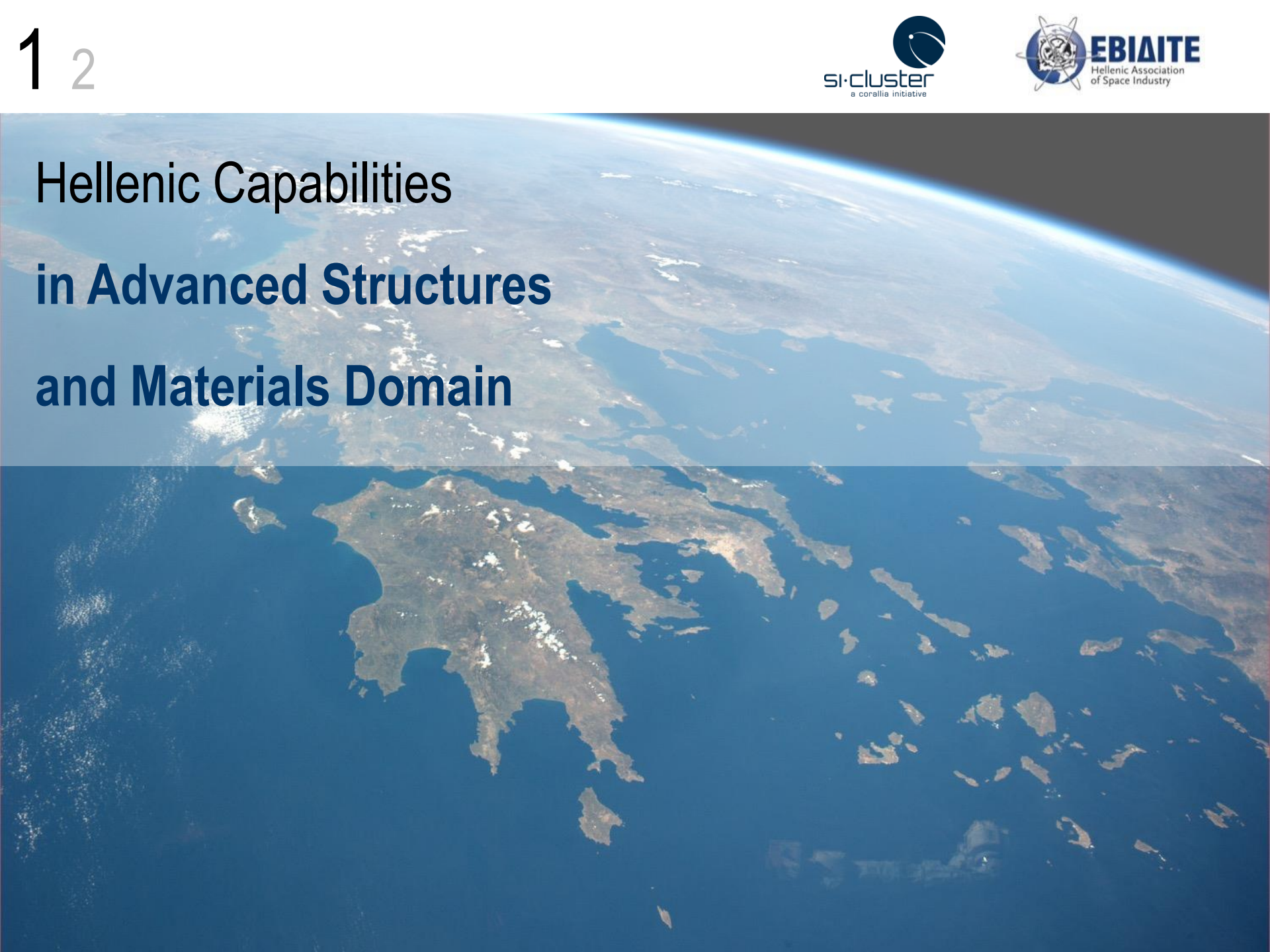
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Hellenic Capabilities in Advanced Structures and Materials Domain

Upstream:

Materials & Structures

7 industrial SME + 3 academic labs

Technologies offered for S/C and Launcher Applications

- Composites Materials & Structures
- Novel Materials and Processes
- Deployable Technologies
- High precision mechanisms
- MGSE and Harnessing
- Multiphysics and Material Modelling simulations
- Engineering Support and Technical Documentation
- Structural and thermal design & analysis



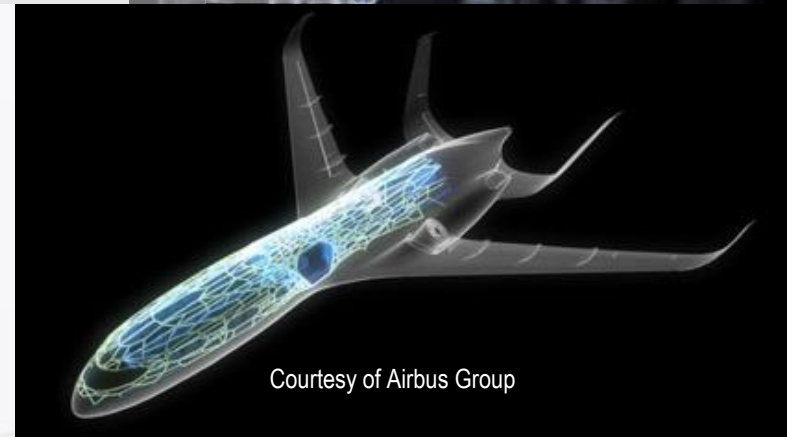
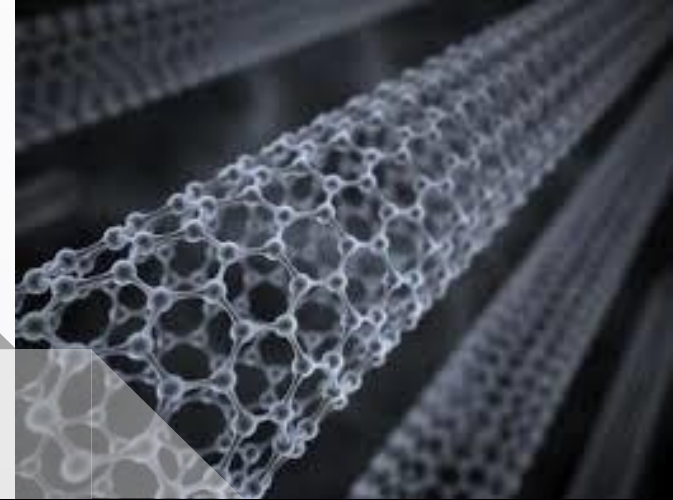
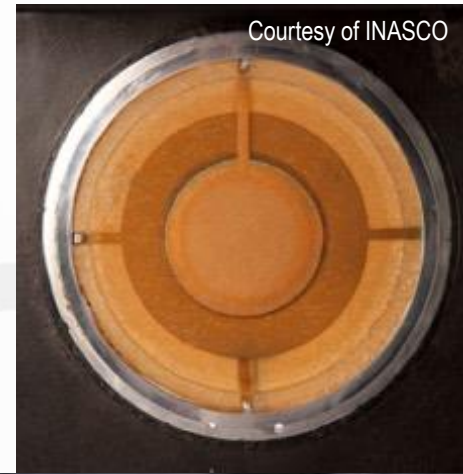
a Multifunctional Composites

Next Gen-Multifunctional Composites provide load bearing but also additional capabilities

Targets:
acoustic damping,
embedding sensor networks-SHM
Increase electrical conductivity

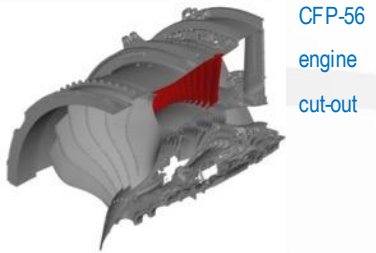
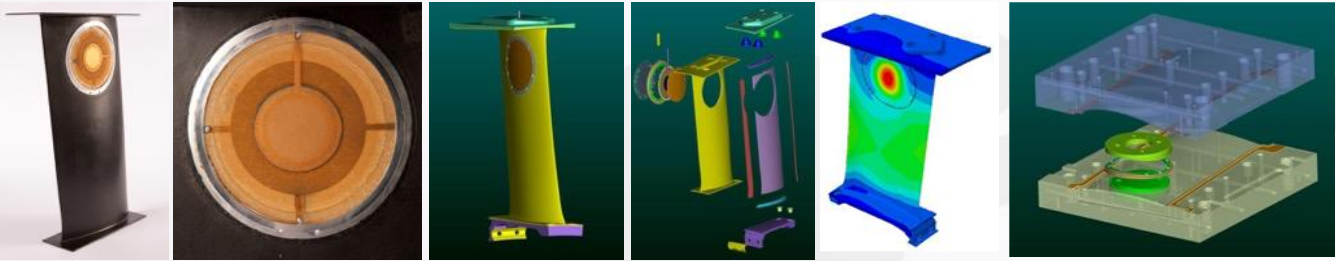
Significant challenges are presented, like:

- *increase in the complexity of the manufacturability*
- *functionalization*



Aircraft Jet-Engine Outer Guide Vane

with integrated active damping elements (CFM-56 engine)



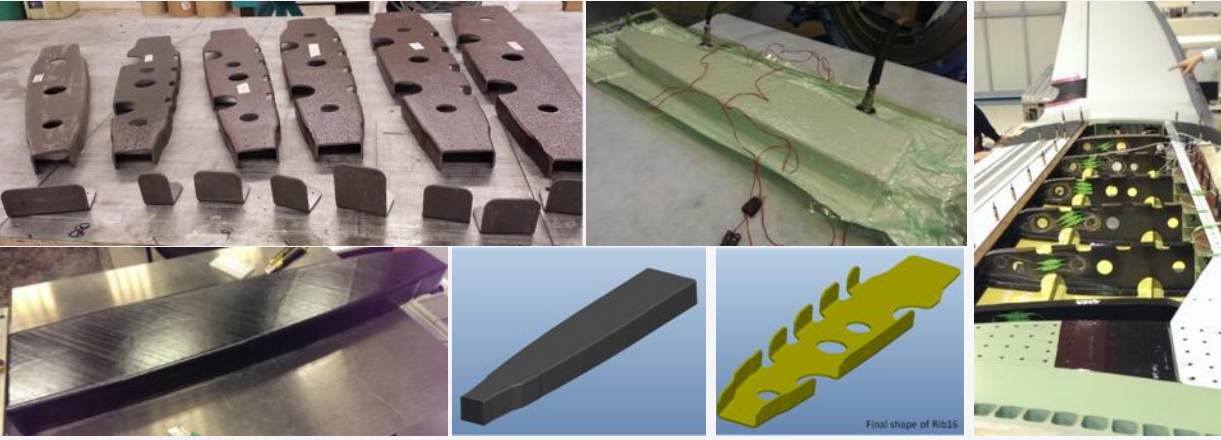
CFM-56 engine cut-out



- Features
- VARTM One-Shot manufacturing (OoA)
 - CFRP Aerospace grade, High Temp
 - Process Monitoring HW/SW for QA
 - Critical Process Parameter Selection

Regional Aircraft Wing Box Rib

with integrated Fiber Optic Sensors for SHM



Design, MAIT performed by
INASCO HELLAS

- Features
- Autoclave manufacturing
 - CFRP Aerospace grade, High Temp
 - Integrated network of FBGs for Structural Health Monitoring

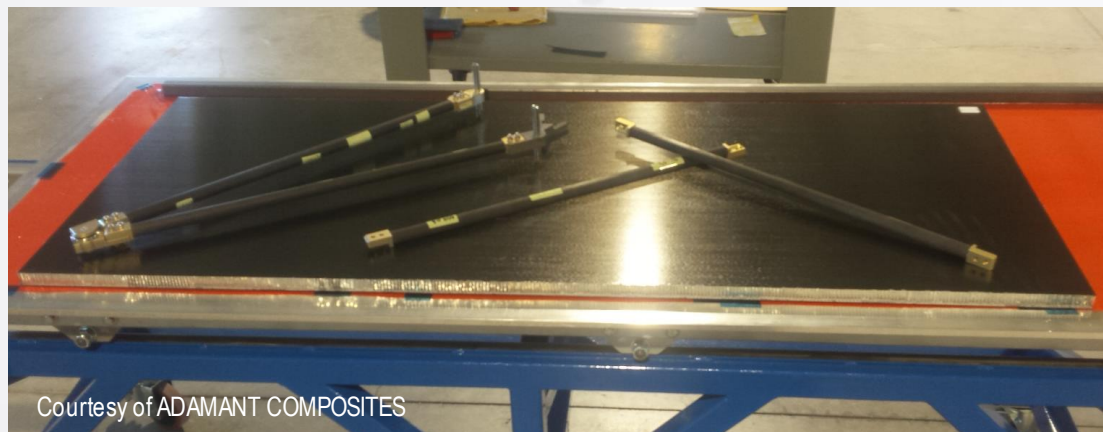
b.1 Composites Manufacturing

Autoclave Manufacturing

- Design and Development of Composites Structures
- MAIT of raw sandwich panels
- MAIT of CFRP/Al struts
- Enclosures
- Monolithic parts brackets and joints
- Composites Material Scientific and Engineering Support



Features:
Cyanate Ester CFRP
M-series (High Modulus) Fibres
processing
Bonding and Assembly processes
(film & liquid adhesives)



b.2 Composites Manufacturing

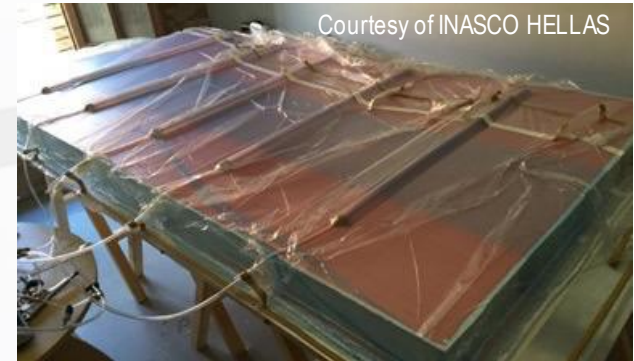
Out of Autoclave Manufacturing

Out-of-Autoclave manufacturing of large size composites space structures is gaining momentum due to:

Lower capital expenditure and operational costs necessary for acquiring and operating the production infrastructure

Increased design flexibility vs partial in-flexibility inherent to an autoclave vessel sizes and geometry

OoA is a sustainable and attractive manufacturing option for niche SME that are now entering the composites manufacturing sector of the Space Market, especially for applications like launchers, small-medium-large satellites



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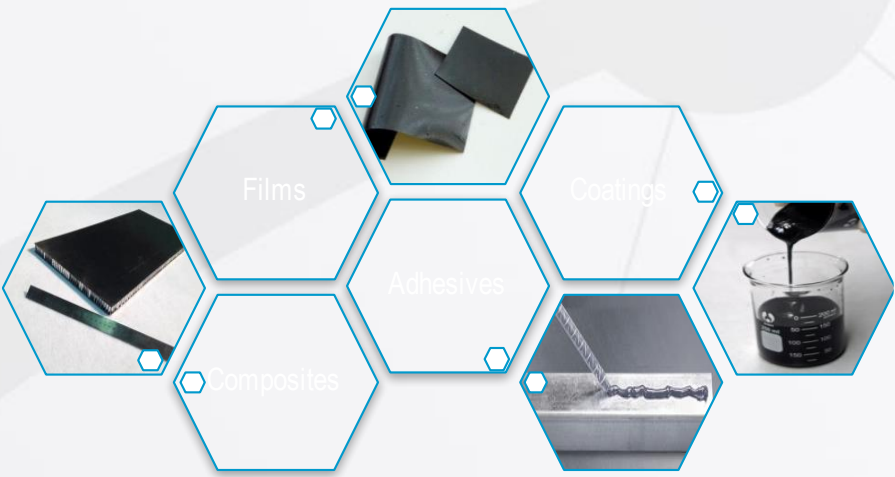
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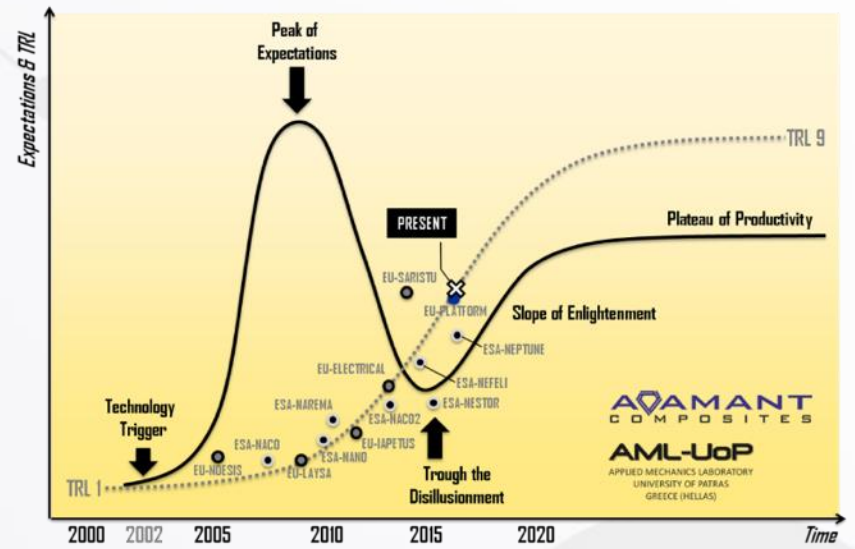
Courtesy of AIRBUS HELICOPTERS

c Nano-enabled Materials

For multi-functional components...



A critical review of nanotechnologies for composite aerospace structures. Kostopoulos et al., CEAS Space J. DOI 10.1007/s12567-016-0123-7. 08 July 2016



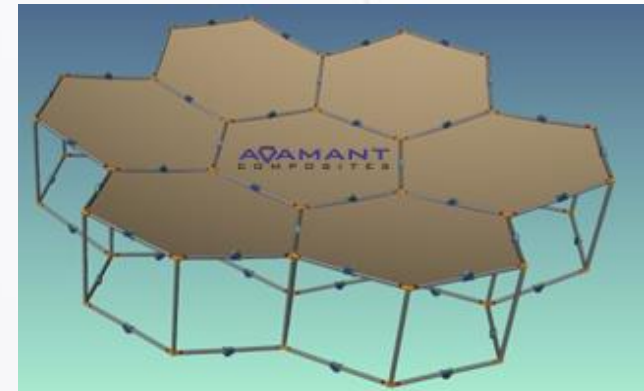
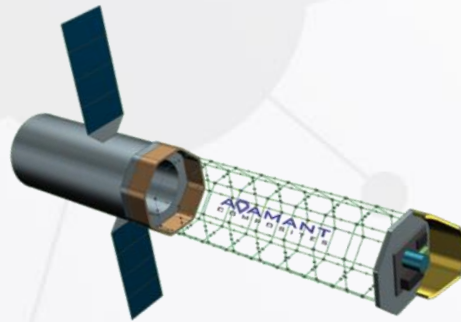
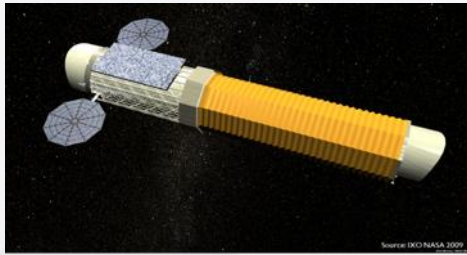
ESA Projects in the field

- ESA-NESTOR (ADAMANT COMPOSITES, AML-UOP)
- ESA-NEFELI (ADAMANT COMPOSITES, AML-UOP)
- ESA-NEPTUNE (ADAMANT COMPOSITES, AML-UOP)
- ESA-GOETHE (ADAMANT COMPOSITES, AML-UOP, PLEIONE ENERGY)
- ESA-GADGET (ADAMANT COMPOSITES, AML-UOP, PLEIONE ENERGY)
- ESA-NANOPREG (AML-UOP, INASCO)
- ESA-NANO (AML-UOP)

d Deployable Structures

..for future science telescopes..

.. for next generation telecom Antennas & EO SAR-radars

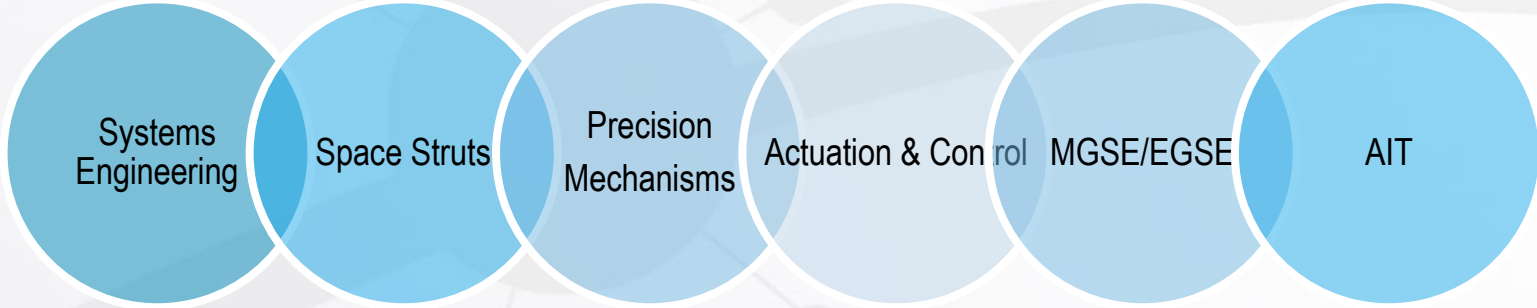


- Design and Development of Large Stable Deployable Structures for Future Science Missions
- Development program funded under ESA in collaboration with Greek Industry
- Assembly, Integration and Testing (AIT) Infrastructure including Gravity of Loading, Ultra high precision Metrology and Assembly Room already implemented in Greece.
- Development of a strong Industrial and Academic team.
- Parallel Technology Development and Heritage Build Up on CFRP/Ti Struts, Mechanisms, Motorization, High Precision Machining.
- Expansion in Deployable Antennas, EO SAR-radars.

Deployable Technologies Developments

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Parallel Technology Development and Heritage Build Up



e Robotics & Mechanisms

..for On Orbit Servicing..

..for deploying and positioning..

On Orbit Servicing (OOS) with Space Manipulators

- Active Debris Removal
- ORUs Replacement (capability of upgrade and servicing)
- Refueling
- Additional revenue due to the Extension of lifetime of current operational satellites for 5-10 years
- Necessary to all orbits, from LEO to GEO
- Many activities of ESA (like eDeorbit and Clean Space) focus on OOS capabilities
- USA, Japan are ahead on this field (e.g. Orbital Express, ETS-VII), Europe has to be self-sufficient

Deployment Mechanisms (DM)

- Lightweight & ultra stable trusses
- Articulated deployable booms
- Precision Motorization Systems

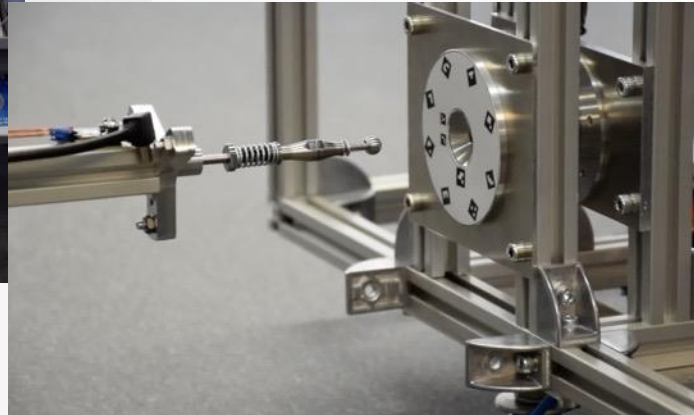
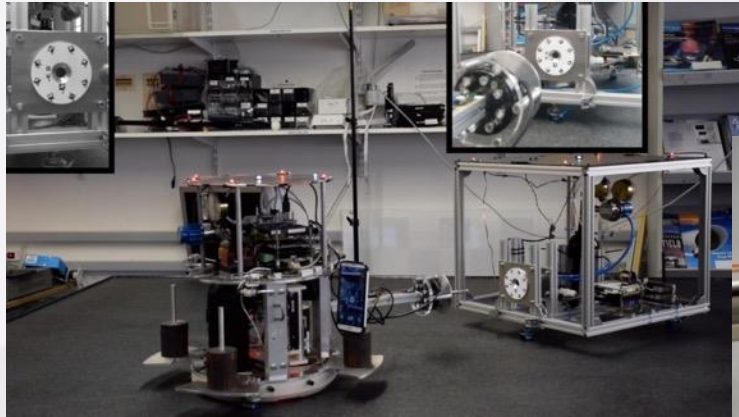


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Robotic refueling of Satellites -ESA ASSIST Project

CSL , Control Systems Lab, NTUA

CSL developed the dynamically equivalent satellite mockups and tested the breadboard developed by the consortium



Capabilities

Air Table Space Emulator

Robotics and Automation in Space

Modeling, Dynamics and Control of Space Systems

Mechanical and Mechatronic System Design

ESA Projects in the field

Pre-Development of a [Launch Adapter Ring Gripper](#) (ESA PREDATOR)

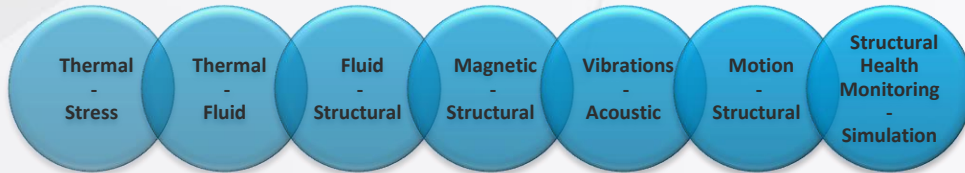
Control and Management of [Robotics Active Debris Removal](#) (ESA COMRADE)

[Adaptable Wheels](#) for Exploration of Moon Poles (ESA AWE)

f Multi-Physics Analysis

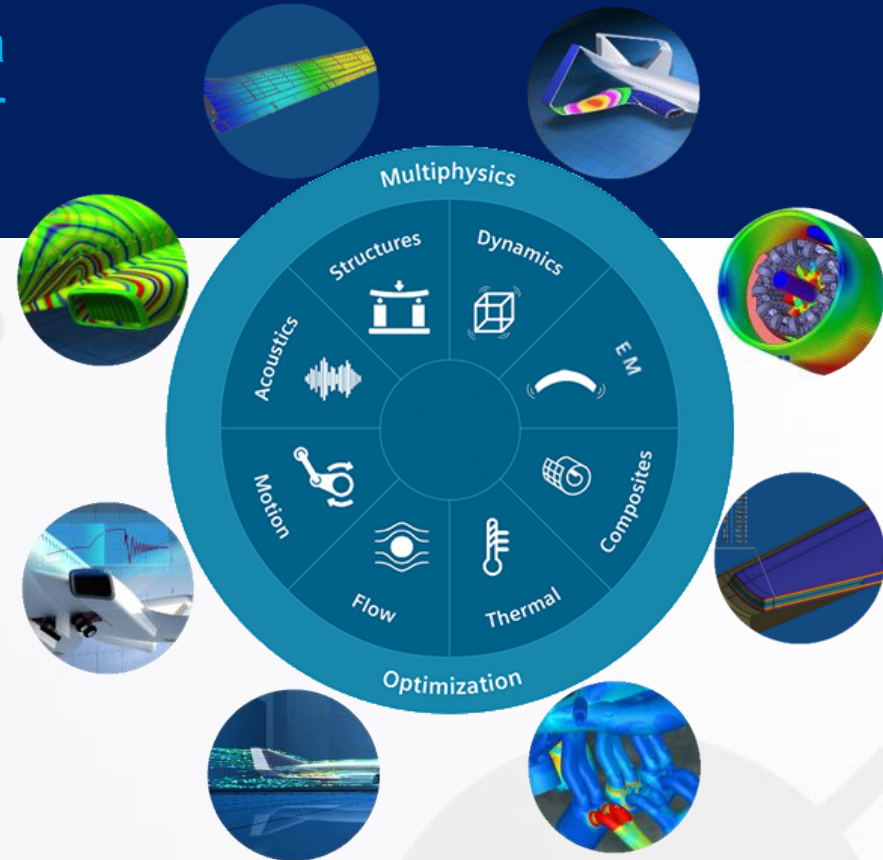
Structures operating at space, experience a combination of loads whose impact affect their performance

Typically, effects from one physics domain also impact how a product behaves in another physics domain.



Understanding multi-physics behavior is therefore a major challenge to accurately predicting product performance

Simulating correctly the real-world behavior, in its digital twin, prior to construction of the product



Images Courtesy of
FEAC Engineering

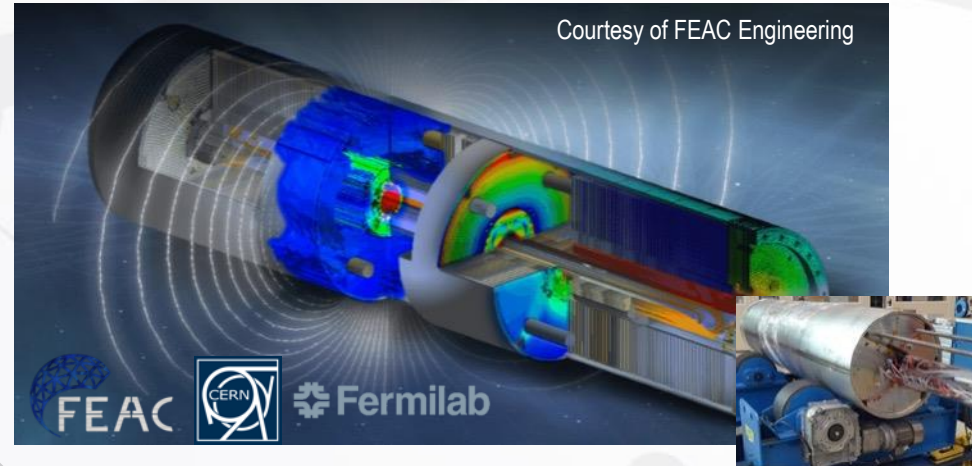
(11T) high energy superconducting accelerator dipole magnet installed at LHC/CERN

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The 11T magnet will be the most powerful magnet ever installed in a particle accelerator. It will push the LHC towards its energy upgrade, on its quest to discover our solar system's origin. The test results performed at CERN confirmed the simulation results.

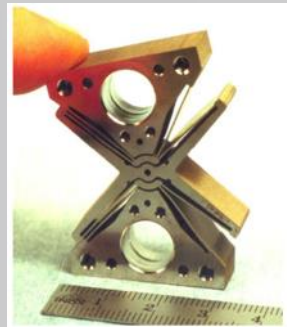
Electromagnetic – Fluid – Thermal – Structural Interaction



Large Angle Flexible Pivot for Science Application-ESA CTP project LAFP

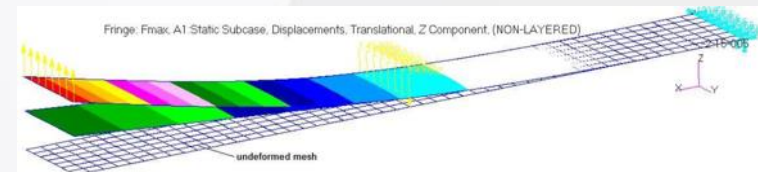
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- Non Linear Geometric (factors, verification)
- Thermo – Mechanical (Non Linear)
- Dynamic (sine & random)
- Fatigue and Damage Tolerance



Courtesy of CSEM

Simulation of delamination in composite structures under cycling / fatigue loads

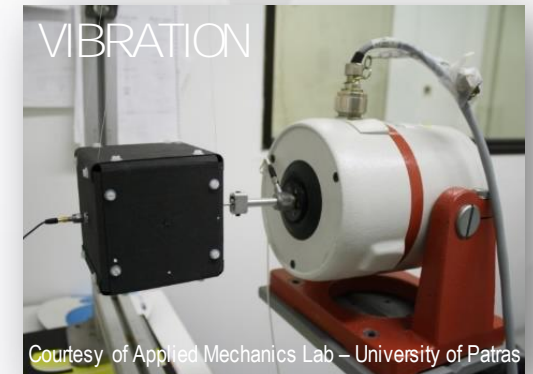
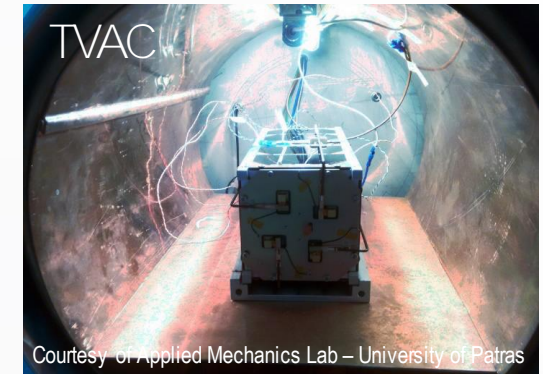
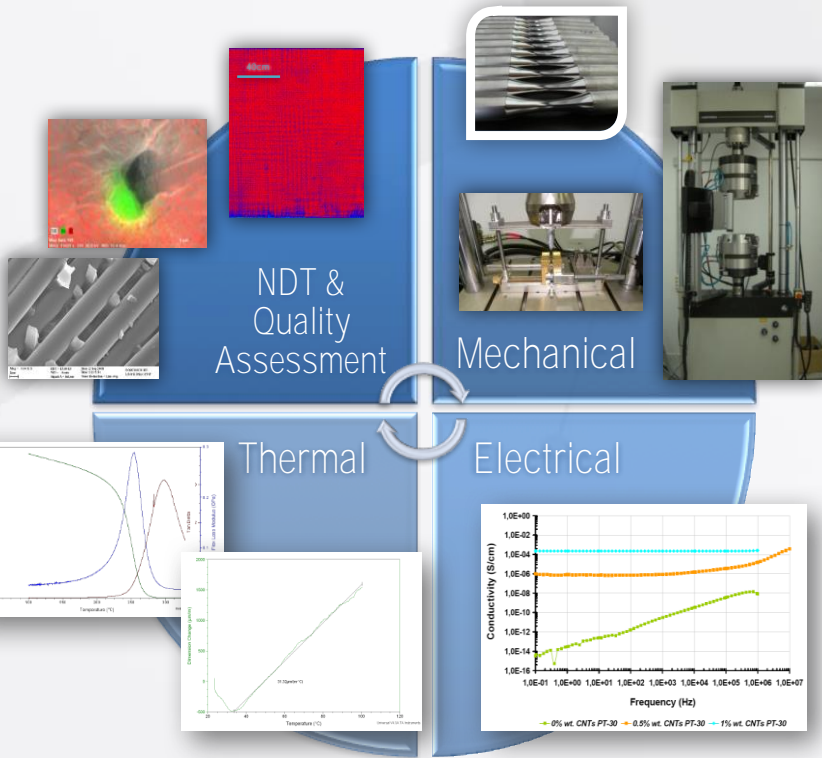


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g Materials & Components Testing

From Material Characterization...

.... To component testing

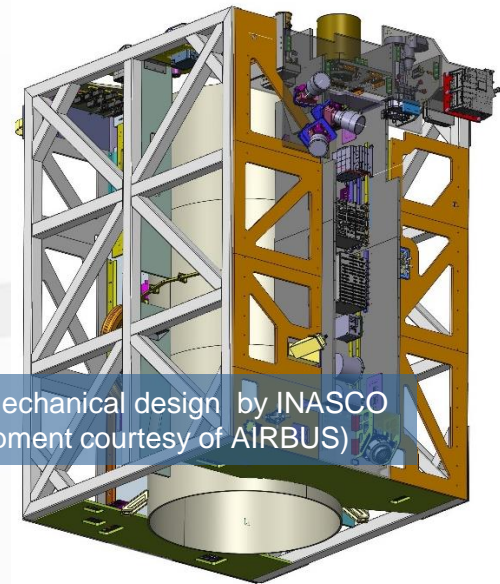


Hellenic Flagship Activities



a ESA Space Missions

JUICE Spacecraft EM, PFM
Jupiter Icy Moons Explorer



SEMS mechanical design by INASCO (equipment courtesy of AIRBUS)

S/C EM Structure (SEMS), Transport Containers. MGSE

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Prime: Design, Development, MAIT

Sub-co: Analysis



S/C MGSE:

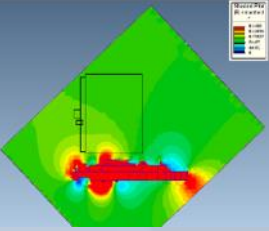
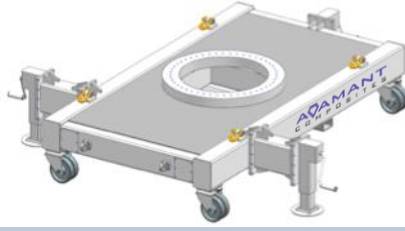
Stands & Trolleys

ADAMANT COMPOSITES (subco)



Responsible for:

- Structural Analysis & Verification of Design for MPT and VIS
- Magnetic Analysis
- Staging Design and MAIT



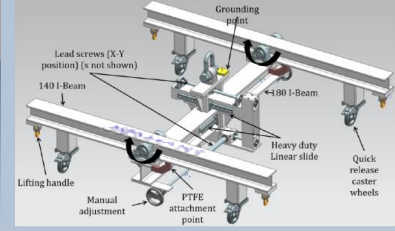
Lifting & Handling Devices

ADAMANT COMPOSITES (subco)



Responsible for:

- Structural Analysis and Verification of Design for SLD, SLLD, and HULD devices
- Magnetic Analysis



Images: INASCO SC EM on-site, Astrolabe, Toulouse, France Ready for testing, **Credit: Airbus Defence and Space**

JUICE is the first large-class mission in ESA's Cosmic Vision 2015-2025 programme

PLATO

PLANetary Transits and Oscillations of stars

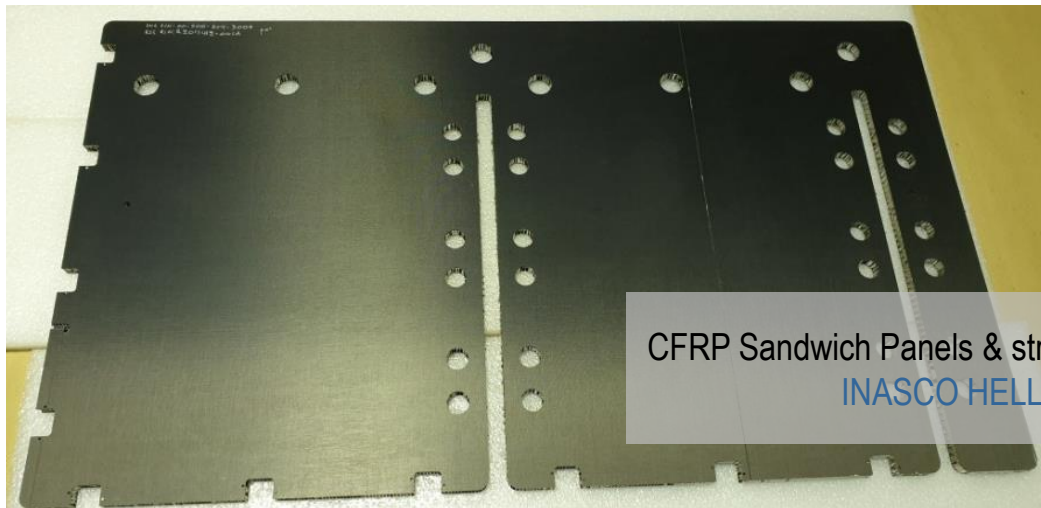
PLATO is the third medium-class mission in ESA's Cosmic Vision program 2015-2025; the PLATO OBA contract was carried under this program and is funded by the European Space Agency (ESA). <https://sci.esa.int/web/plato>
<https://www.cosmos.esa.int/web/plato>

INASCO has successfully delivered the CFRP sandwich panels and cleats for the STM OBA of the PLATO S/C; to RUAG SPACE responsible Structure CT Member in the PLATO program

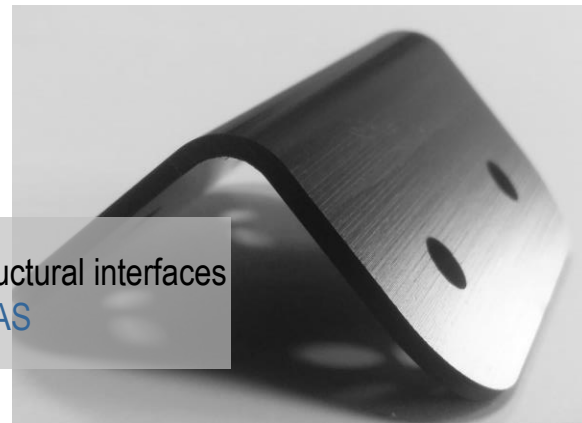
**Manufacturing
CFRP sandwich panels
& structural interfaces by
INASCO HELLAS**



Image: Artist's impression of the PLATO satellite (source: OHB System AG)



**CFRP Sandwich Panels & structural interfaces
INASCO HELLAS**



b ESA Technology Programs

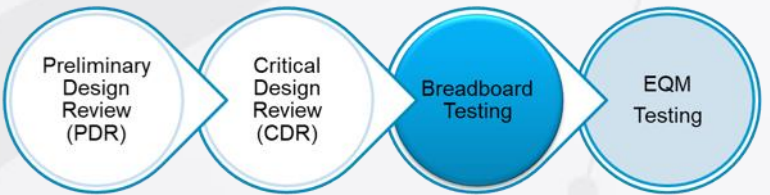
LAGARD: Large Stable Deployable Structures for Future Science Missions



Prime: ADAMANT COMPOSITES

Tasks Performed

- Deployable System Design, Analysis, Development, MAIT
- CFRP struts, precision mechanisms, motorization
- AIT of BB and EQM
- Gravity of Loading
- Ultra high precision Metrology



19 October 2017
BB Test Readiness Review @ Adamant Composites

Subcontractor: AML-UoPatras

Tasks Performed

- Multi-body dynamics simulation of deployable structures
- Development tests of breadboard elements
- Support in design, manufacturing and assembly of test equipment

Subcontractor: INASCO HELLAS

Tasks Performed

- Motorization Control System Implementation
- Selection and procurement of COTS components
- Software for Control

Vendor: IST

Tasks Performed

- MGSE Metallic Structures Manufacturing

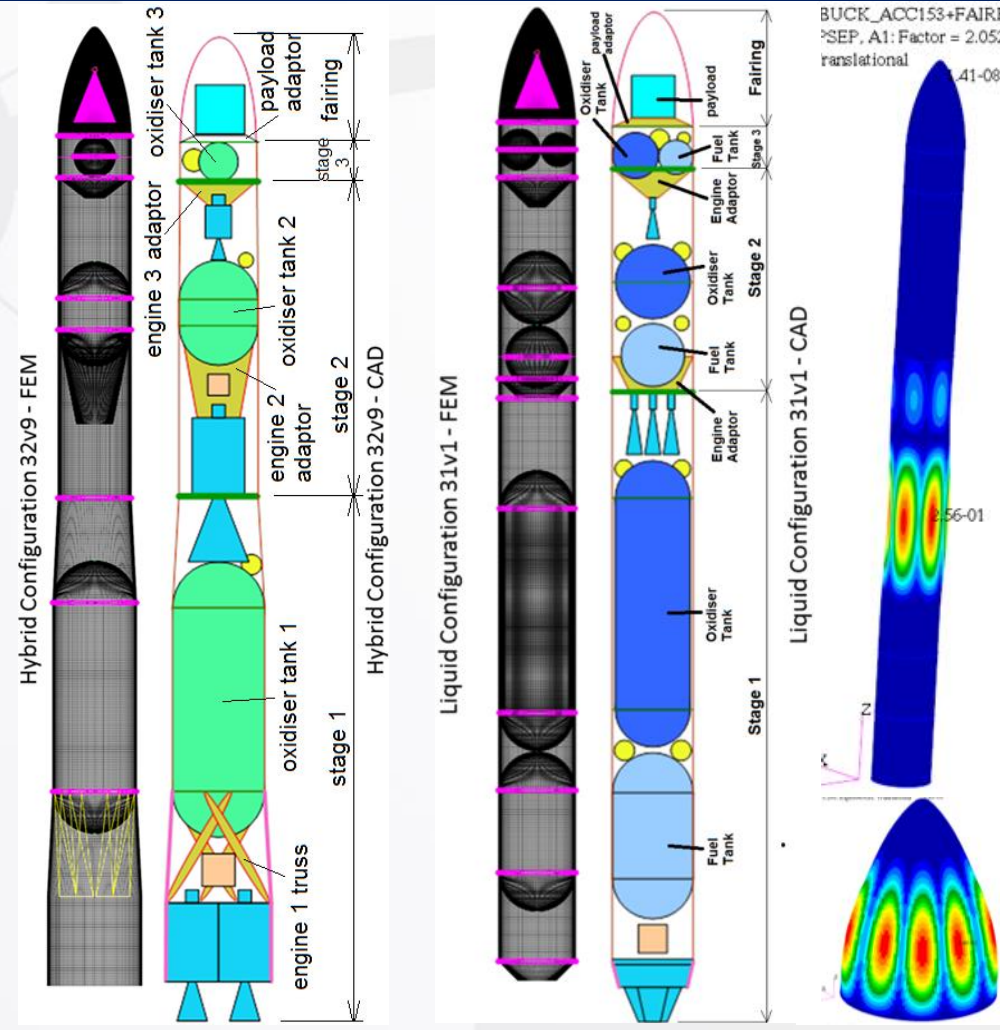
Features

- Structural Design – FEA
- Metal versus composites trade-off
- Carbon composite honeycomb sandwich
- Common stage and fairing separation systems (clamp band and plungers)
- Engine thrust frames (conical and trusses)
- Tanks (separate and integrated)

EU Consortium

- 14 companies & institutes from 8 European countries
- H2020–COMPET: Independent Access to Space

Design & Analysis performed by
Heron Engineering



Images: Launcher CAD (hybrid-liquid configuration), Buckling Analysis: Launcher, Fairing

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