Participatory Exploration for Inspiration and Education (12) Engaging Citizens: Results and Future Concepts (1)

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## PARTICIPATORY EXPLORATION VIA THE SPACE GENERATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

## Abstract

Founded during the Unispace III conference at Vienna in 1999, the Space Generation Advisory Council (SGAC) supports the UN Program on Space Applications. SGAC, with headquarters in Vienna, now comprises a network of thousands of young people in more than 90 countries, volunteering to represent their views and carry out projects via permanent observer status in COPUOS, the UN Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space. In this paper we intend to describe and advocate ways for the world's space agencies, industries and academic participants to enrich their interconnections and expand their outreach by exploiting the idealism, organizational skills and vital energy of SGAC members in a participatory exploration enterprise.