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BUILDING THE FOUNDATIONS FOR AN INTERNATIONAL AND CROSS-SECTOR
COLLABORATION FOR A PERMANENT AND SUSTAINABLE RETURN TO THE MOON
SURFACE

Abstract

An increasing number of credible, governmental and private sector efforts are currently underway to bring a sustained human presence to the Moon and beyond. However, particularly in the private sector, these organizations are not well coordinated or actively collaborating, to the detriment of all. Making any real headway in the coming decade, will require building an unprecedented level of collaboration between leaders in the private and public sectors, unused to working together. The challenge for the global space community? How can we collectively prepare for novel, cost-efficient and agile programs for lunar settlement and allow for space agencies, commercial space, philanthropists and citizens to create an integrated, mutually reinforcing strategy? The insights that will be presented draw also heavily on interviews with the Moon Village Association stakeholders and illustrate the diverse yet interrelated range of issues that space leaders have to address simultaneously.