

ExoMars Programme

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ExoMars Reformation

- The Enhanced ExoMars was not approved at C-MIN 08
- Directions to the Executive from C-MIN 08
 - Reduce overall cost to 1000 M€
 - Pursue broader International Cooperation
 - Maintain essential objectives of the mission
- NASA was interested in a large cooperation with ESA for Mars Exploration
- Numerous studies during 2009 were jointly conducted to find a mutually acceptable mix of contributions
- ExoMars Programme approved at Council in December 2009 with 1000 M€ cap and 850 M€ contributions confirmed



ExoMars Programme Objectives

Main Technology Demonstration Objectives:

- Entry, Descent and Landing (EDL) of a payload on the surface of Mars;
- Surface mobility with a Rover;
- Access to the sub-surface to acquire samples;
- Sample acquisition, preparation, distribution and analysis.

Main Scientific Objectives:

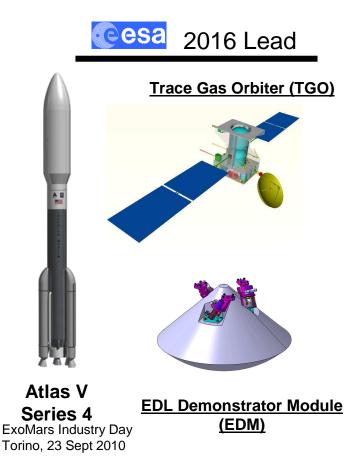
- To search for signs of past and present life on Mars;
- To investigate the water/geochemical environment as a function of depth in the shallow subsurface;
- To investigate Martian atmospheric trace gases and their sources.





ExoMars Programme Mission Architecture

- ExoMars Programme:
 - two missions launched in 2016 and 2018 on NASA supplied launchers.
- The 2016 mission is ESA lead consisting of a Trace Gas Orbiter and an EDL Demonstrator Module with NASA contributions on Payload, UHF and Ka Band.
- The 2018 mission is NASA lead consisting of the ESA Rover accommodated with a NASA Rover of equal size inside a NASA spacecraft and descent module (Sky Crane)

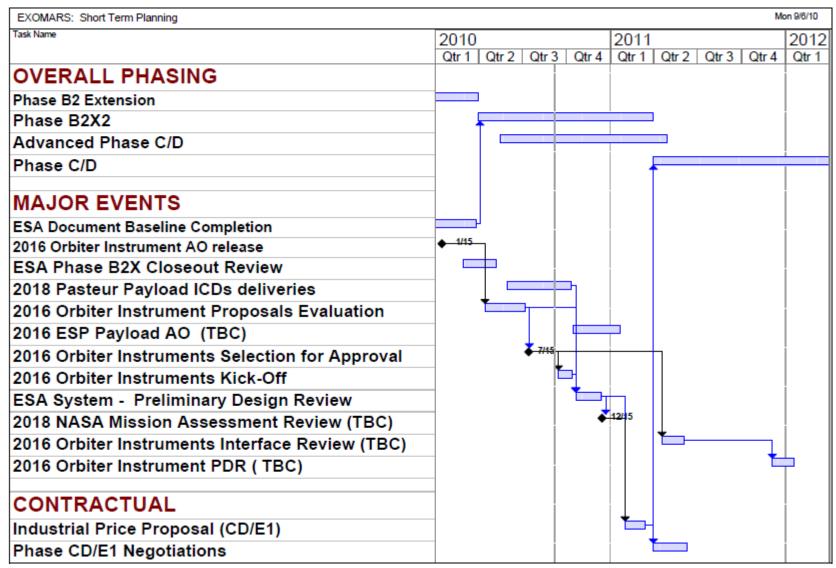








ESA ExoMars Short Term Planning





Present Programme Status

- Phase B2X2 and Advanced C/D Slice 2 industrial negotiations completed in July
- TGO instruments kick-off based on proposals accommodated in selection process: occurring through October
- Essential interface agreement with NASA/JPL for Rover in place defining basic resources, i.e. Mass, Volume, etc (IRD v0)
- Final agreement ESA and NASA at Director level Bilateral on 9 September confirming Ka Band downlink in TGO baseline
 - NASA to provide integrated package of Antenna, APM,
 Amplifiers and associated support for all related aspects
- Numerous breadboard & test activities in both missions: de-risking technology developments where necessary
- Next major milestone is the System-PDR in Oct Dec



Conclusions

- ExoMars is an approved Agency programme consisting of two mission in cooperation with NASA
- Procurements for schedule critical and technology critical items has already started and will ramp up in the coming months
- Phase C/D will begin in the second quarter of 2011