

- [SA Poll of the Month: answer this month's question here](#) -

News and Announcement

- [SATC]: **Previous issues of The Orbit newsletters** are now available for downloads.
- [SATC]: **Looking for Inputs for AIAA's Key Issues** to support the upcoming Congressional Visit Day.
- [SATC]: SpaceArchitect.org is now on **Facebook**.
- [SATC]: Space architecture blog is now on **American Institute of Architects (AIA) KnowledgeNet**.

[AIAA Space]: **Preliminary Program** for the SPACE 2012 is now available.
[AIAA Space]: **September 11-13:** AIAA Space 2012 Conference and Exposition at [the Pasadena Convention Centre](#), Pasadena, California, USA.

Space Architecture session is within the **Robotic Technologies and Space Architecture (RSA)** track. The "RSA" track is a collaboration between the SATC and the SARTC (Space Automation & Robotics TC) that includes a mixture of sessions covering robotics and architecture. Contact Shahzad Khaligh and François Lévy (our SA track co-chairs) for details. Additional details can also be found on the [spacearchitect.org website](#).

- [IAC]: **Preliminary Program** for the 63rd IAC is now available.
- [IAC]: **September 12:** Final manuscript deadline for the 63rd IAC.
- [IAC]: **October 1-5:** the 63rd IAC at [Mostra d'Oltremare](#), Naples, Italy.
Space Architecture related sessions are **D3.2, D3.4, D4.1, E5.2, E5.3** and **E5.4**.
More details can be found on the [spacearchitect.org website](#).

other events of interest:

- [NASA NIAC 2012 Awards Results: Congratulations to Marc Cohen and Michael Flynn.](#)
- [New space architecture course starts at Lund School of Architecture.](#)
- ["Simulation" mission to Mars by artist Tom Sachs.](#)
- [Summary for the Building Technological Habitats exhibition @ IVAM, Valencia, Spain.](#)

mailing list highlights:

- [Progress on the new SATC website design](#)
- [Distinction between SATC and SpaceArchitect.org.](#)
- ["Turning Dust into Gold" by Haym Benaroya won the 2012 Best Engineering Science Book award by IAA.](#)
- [General discussion on media coverage of space projects.](#)

Poll of the Month

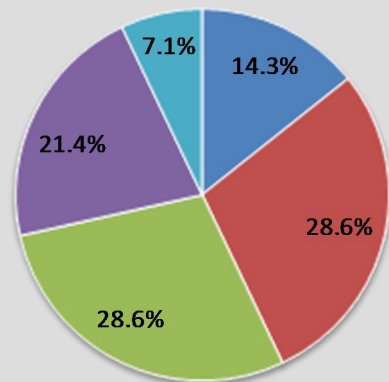
August 2012 Poll Results

The results of August's poll indicated that there is no single, dominant source of inspiration that has led many of us into the field of space architecture. It could be a reflection on the very diverse background among the space architecture community.

The results seem to suggest that if we would like to inspire more people to be interested in space architecture, a wide-ranging approach that engages with a broad spectrum of subjects may be more effective than a focused approach that concentrates on specific applications of our discipline.

If you would like to discuss or comment on this topic, you can start an email discussion thread [here](#).

- Educational events & studies
- Previous space programs
- Sci Fi & popular space literature
- Visionaries
- Other

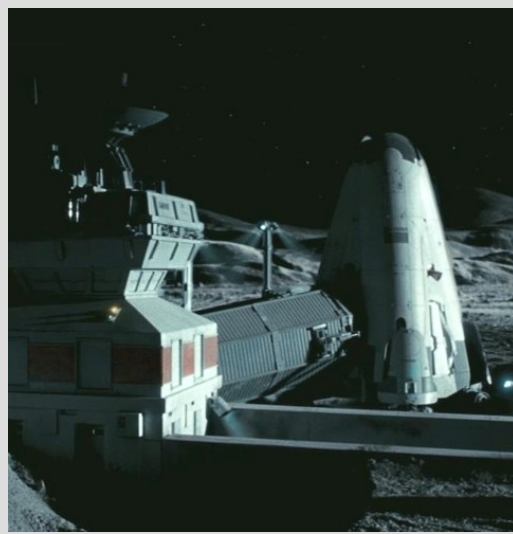


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September 2012 Question:

Which categories of organisations would you consider to be the most likely candidate to establish the first permanently inhabited outpost (i.e. not touch & go mission) on the Moon?

- **National space agencies**
- **Multi-nationals collaborations (e.g. "the ISS model")**
- **International bodies/NGOs (e.g. UN)**
- **Industrial enterprises (e.g. Planetary Resources Inc.)**
- **Hospitality & services sectors (e.g. hotel groups)**
- **Other**



Moon (film), © 2009 Sony Pictures Classics

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Theme of the Month



Media | Film

Source: NASA TV

2 papers can be found within the [spacearchitect.org publication archive](#) by searching under the keywords "media | film", and having the keyword within its titles.

Chen, Maijinn (2004 July). [MOM: Media & Observation Module](#) (SAE 2004-01-2532).

Peldszus, Regina; Dalke, Hilary; Welch, Chris (2010 July). [Science Fiction Film as Design Scenario Exercise for Psychological Habitability: Production Designs 1955-2009](#) (AIAA 2010-6109).