

## HELIOS

# In-Situ Resource Utilization Enabling humankind to

"Live off the land"



### VISION

Helios will create an autonomous self sustained ISRU (In-Situ Resource Utilization) system to source metals and Oxygen in order to build infrastructure on site for extraterrestrial colonization



Enceladus 🥏

Titan



The Moon

Mars

Europa

Callisto

Venus

Ganymede

The Space industry has set the goal to establish a permanent base on the moon in the next 20 years.

New Space Resources technologies are being developed to enable this great endeavour.



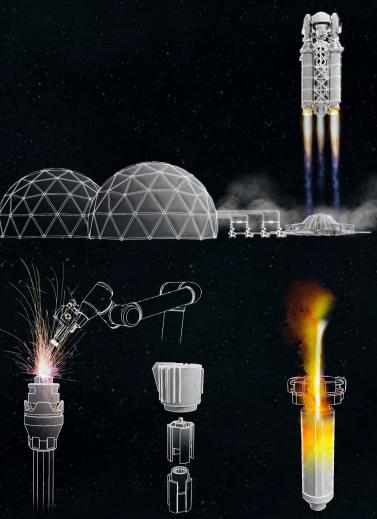


### THE CHALLANGE

Sending materials from earth to the moon costs ~\$1M per 1 Kg, making the establishment of a permanent lunar base uneconomically viable.

### THE SOLUTION

Extracting and utilizing raw materials from the lunar surface: Oxygen for propellant and life support and metals for construction. Doing so will enable a viable path to a lunar base.



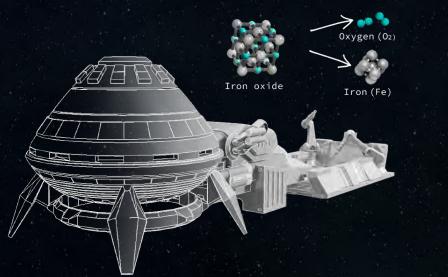
3D printing and welding Using interlocking parts

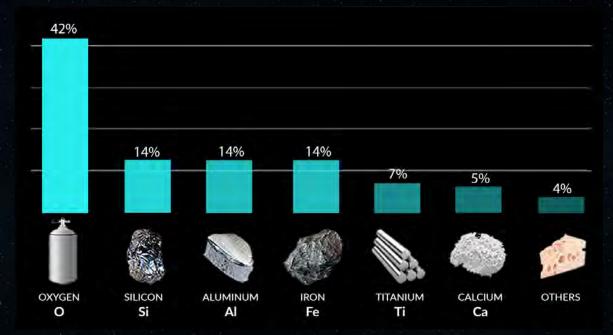
Casting into amodular molds



### THE SYSTEM

Molten Regolith Electrolysis Collect the lunar soil, melt it in a crucible and electrolyze it to separate the Oxygen from the Iron, Silicon and other metals.





Mass percentage of various elements on the lunar surface (High-Ti Mare areas)



### **EVENTS**

- 19.07.18 Helios project Ltd was registered in Israel.
- 07.03.19 Helios was awarded a grant by Israel's Innovation Authority to reach proof of concept.
- 25.07.19 Helios commenced a collaboration with Florida Space Institute and the Center for Lunar and Asteroid Surface Science (directed by Prof. Daniel Britt).
- 18.02.20 Helios established a Florida based subsidiary to expand its collaboration with the US space industry.
- 20.02.20 Helios filed a provisional patent on a novel approach to conduct MRE (molten regolith electrolysis).
- 05.03.20 Helios established a new lab in Israel to develop and construct a small-scale prototype.

- 19.04.20 Helios established a European consortium with Fraunhofer IKTS (Germany), Politecnico di Milano (Italy), Empa (Sweitzerland) and RISE (Sweden), to develop a holistic In-Situ Resource Utilization system.
- 20.08.20 Helios successfully accomplished a series of experiments to prove the viability of its novel concept of electrodes, thus, moving forward with its patent to PCT.
- 01.12.20 Helios was awarded a grant by Israel's Ministry of Energy to build a prototype to its terrestrial use.
- 06.12.20 Helios filed a provisional patent on a novel method to produce silicon.
- 22.12.20 Helios was awarded a grant by the Israeli Space Agency to develop a demonstrator payload to be sent to the Moon.



### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

2021 Q2 – PoC publication 2021 Q2 – Terrestrial Use PoC 2021 Q3 – Field test demo 2022 Q2 – ISS demo

2023 Q2 – Lunar demo



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