

Report: UK Space Conference 2015

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Summary :

The UK Space Conference 2015, hosted by the UK Space Community, was held in Liverpool, England from July 13 to 15, 2015. The UK Space Community is made up of the UK Space Agency, the UK Space Trade Association, and UK government organizations that promote industrial activities, such as Catapult and Innovate UK, as well as private companies such as Airbus Defense & Security.

A conference called "UK Space" has been held biannually, but this year's conference is of a much larger scale than previous events, with 1,100 attendees and 100 companies and organizations positioned as exhibitors. The main theme of this conference was "SPACE-ENABLED FUTURES", encompassed by a large number of presentations.

Our Impressions :

Reflecting upon other conferences, we would summarize our impressions as per the following:

- The Space Innovation & Growth Strategy (Space IGS) in the UK

Organizers had mentioned the "Space Innovation & Growth Strategy (Space IGS)" a number of times. Policy makers have announced that under this strategy, budgets will be expanded to £4 billion by the year 2030, and via this expansion, create jobs for 100,000 employees while securing a 10% share of the world space industry market.

- Support for industrialization activities

As part of the Space IGS strategy, the UK Space Agency has established an R&D facility in

Harwell, near Oxford. This facility is expected to provide strong support for industrialization activities. The conference provided many presentations and exhibitions by the UK government and private investors supporting industrialization, such as the establishment of new organizations and financial support systems. On the other hand, some commenters noted a relatively small number of scientists attending the event, and suggested that support from the scientific community, not just government and economic powers, would be necessary.

Presentations & Lectures :

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Exhibitions :

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Other Miscellaneous Comments

Most people would recognize Liverpool as the famous birthplace of The Beatles. This reporter was amazed when entering the Arena & Convention Center, where the UK Space Conference 2015 was held for the first time. Liverpool had once been deserted, but since then, the city has been reconstructed. International convention and exhibition facilities are located in the port area, surrounded by brick buildings, sailing vessels, hotels and a ferris wheel. The port area is quite reminiscent of Minato-mirai in Yokohama, Japan.



The popularity of The Beatles contributes to Liverpool's status as a tourist destination. French, Italian, Brazilian and other types of restaurants cater to international tourists - Liverpool is not the type of English city where there is nothing but fish and chips to eat.

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