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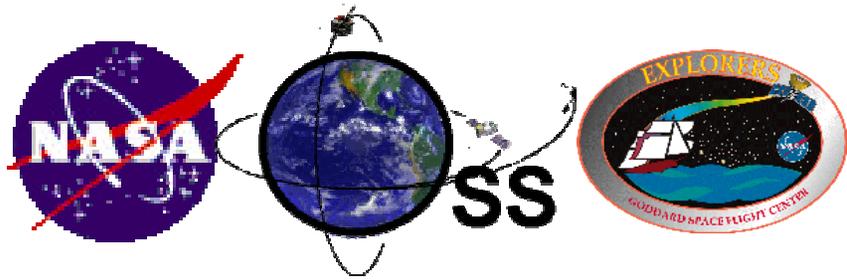
Paul Hertz, Explorer Program Scientist

“Explorer Program — Level-of-effort program to provide frequent, low-cost access to space for physics and astronomy investigations with small to mid-sized spacecraft. Investigations selected for Explorer projects are usually of a survey nature, or have specific objectives not requiring the capabilities of a major observatory.”

The Space Science Enterprise Strategic Plan

“ NASA’s Explorer program is a vital element of the [Space] Science Enterprise.” “A vigorous Explorer program, at least comparable to and hopefully in excess of the current effort, will also be mandatory to move the important [space science] problems forward.”

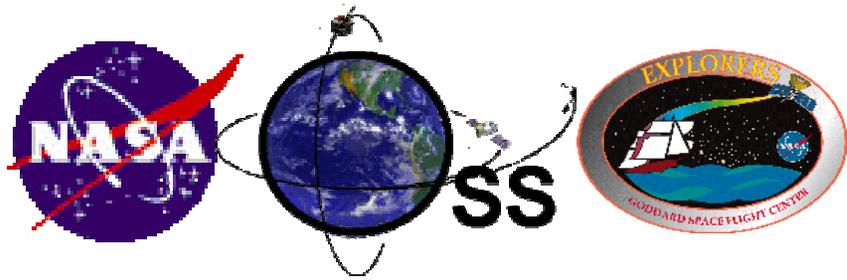
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Primary Sources

- The MIDEX AO 01-OSS-03
 - http://research.hq.nasa.gov/code_s/nra/current/AO-01-OSS-03/
- The MIDEX Explorer Program Library
 - <http://explorer.larc.nasa.gov/explorer/mel.html>
- The MIDEX Acquisition Additional Information Home Page
 - <http://explorer.larc.nasa.gov/explorer/midexacq.html>
- Technical Points-of-Contact
- The Explorer Program Scientist
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Agenda

- 8:30 Opening & Logistics Byrd
- 8:40 Introduction and announcements Hertz
- 8:50 MIDEX evaluation/selection criteria and process Hertz
- 9:45 MIDEX evaluation/selection criteria and process Perry
- **10:30 Break**
- 10:45 International Participation TBD
- 11:05 MIDEX Safety, Reliability & Quality Assurance Claffy
- 11:25 Expendable Launch Vehicle Services Schafer
- 11:45 International Space Station Opportunities Park
- 12:05 International Space Station attached payload GFE Carter
- **12:30 Lunch**
- 1:40 Answers to submitted questions Hertz/Perry
- 2:15 Space Shuttle Launch Opportunities Nichols
- 2:35 Long Duration Balloon Opportunities Gregory
- **3:00 Break**
- 3:30 Mission Operations and Communications Services Ambrose
- 4:00 Answers to additional questions & close Hertz.