

# EPIC Online Technology meeting on Photonics for New Space

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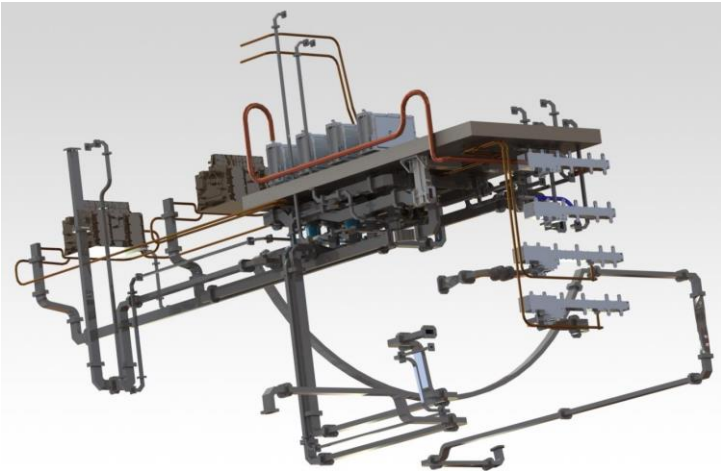


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# Antwerp Space: Space communication: Recent achievements

## JUICE Com Subsystems



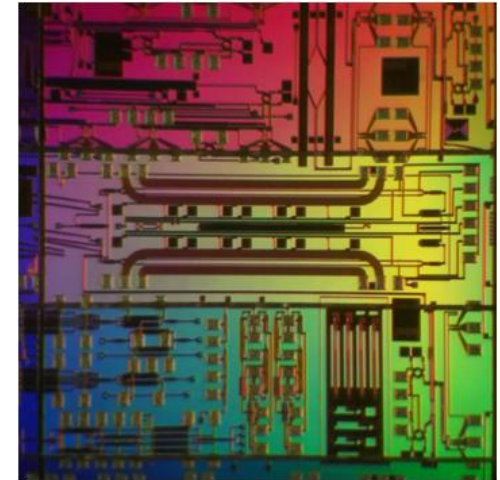
Very compact Radio-Science coherent transponder instrument to Land on Mars's surface (ExoMars 2020 mission)



Model of the LaRa instrument

This is the rationale to consider **Photonic Integration Technology (PIC)** for communication satellites

From 2015: **Photonics**



Feb 2020: Integrated Software-defined radio modem on ISS



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# Antwerp Space uses of photonics in Spaceborn applications

## Core element of Laser communication terminals



Credit: Mynaric  
<https://Mynaric.com/products/air/>

## Satellite Beam Steering Antennas

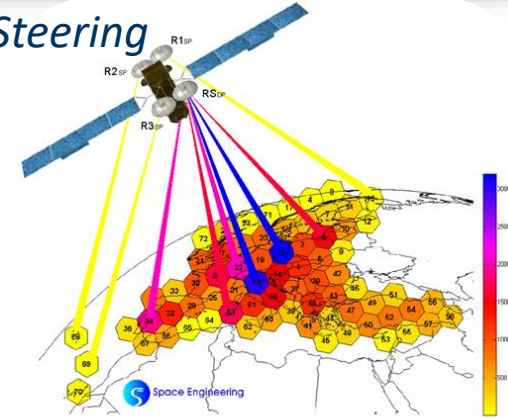
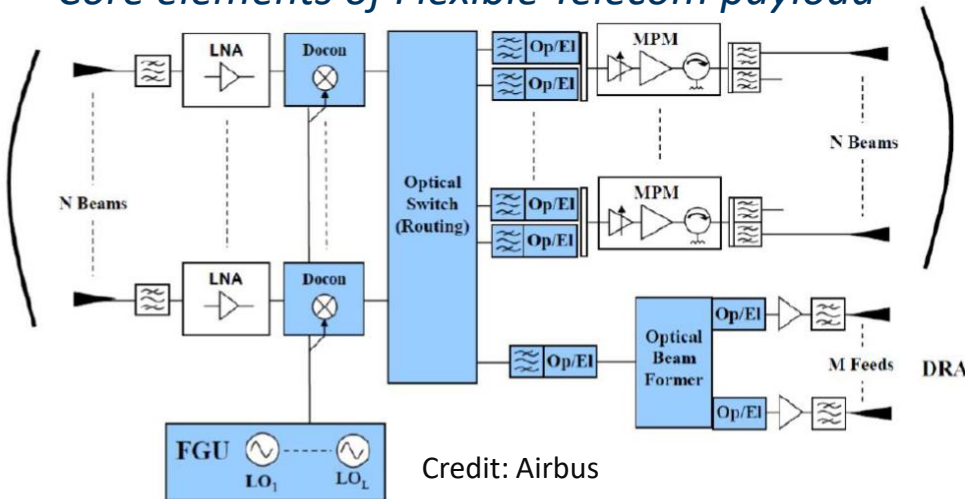


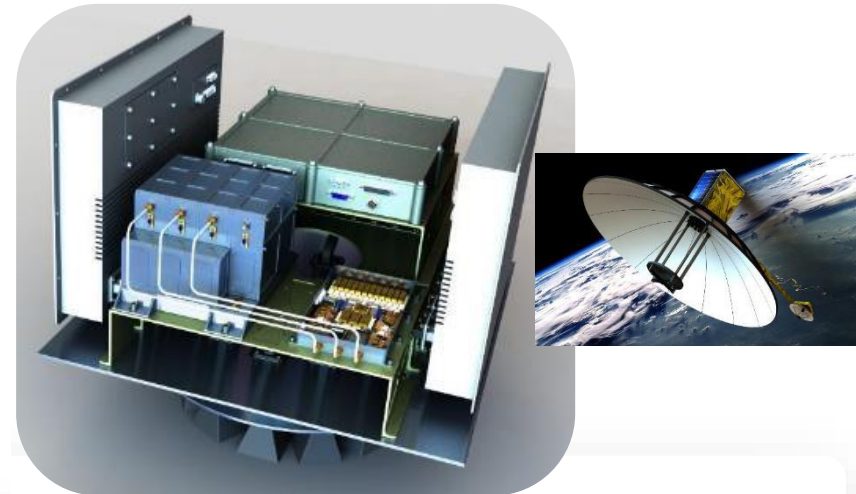
Fig. 1 – Ka-band Multi-Beam Traffic [Mbps] Scenario for BBS

## Core elements of Flexible Telecom payload



Credit: Airbus

## Radar instrument front-end

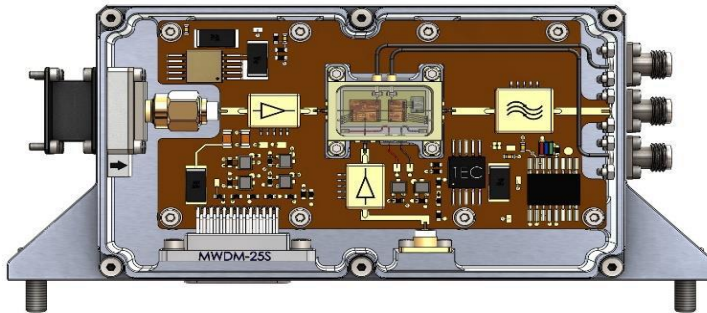


# Antwerp Space current activities: uses of Photonic Integration Technology: frequency converter, radar, lantern

*Q/V band frequency downconverter*

*photonic beamformer for a radar receiver*

EPFCv2  
Duration:  
2019-2022  
TRL-level:  
5-6

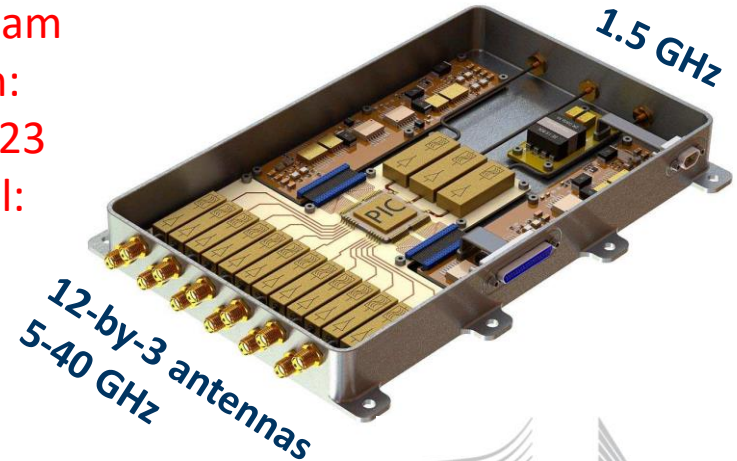


RF Input:  
47-50 GHz



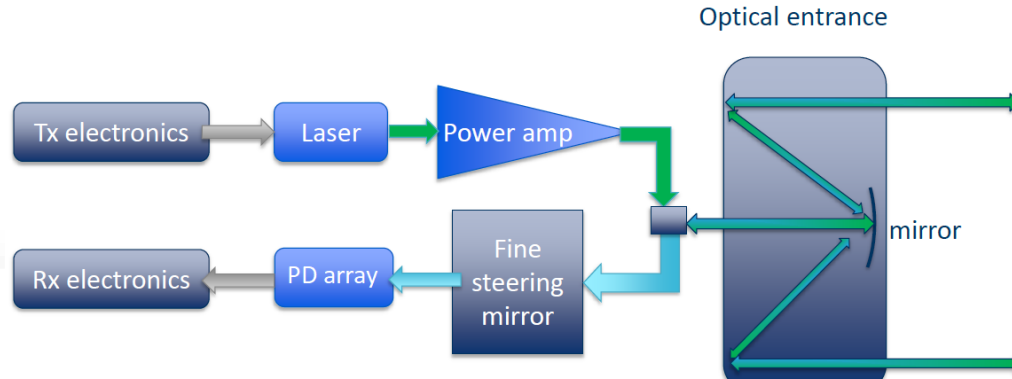
IF output:  
17-20 GHz

Spacebeam  
Duration:  
2020-2023  
TRL-level:  
5-6



Photonic Lantern  
Receiver  
Duration:  
2020-2021  
TRL-level:3

*PIC technology to implement fine steering mirror  
With a powerful, integrated & multi-functional solution*



# What we can do for you & you can do for us?!

- ▶ Discuss your space-application with us:

*Antwerp Space as*

- End-user requirement/ Equipment Integrator
- Integrated Microwave photonic system design, generation of requirements for PIC
- Control electronics
- RF-front-end design

- ▶ We would like to collaborate with you:

*Antwerp Space looks for partners for:*

- ❑ Space-qualified components & procedures:

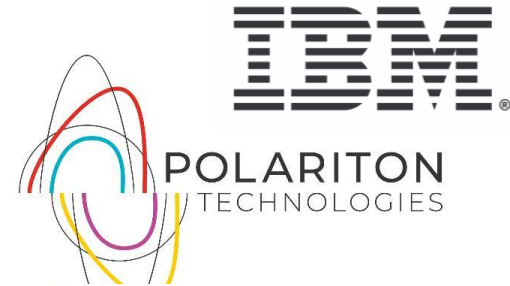
- Photonic building blocks (BBs)
- High-speed, low-power, RF front-ends
- Packaging
- Photonics & RF interconnects

- ❑ **End-users (Satellite/payload integrators) in the space sector**

- For the targeted application uses

Antwerp Space working/taking with many partners : PIC, Packaging, Design houses... & many more...

*PICs are enabler for AWS for improved and new communication equipment for Space Applications*



# Thank you !

Is there any Questions ?

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