Report on the Brasilian MIC Seminar

On August 25th it was done a seminar about the Mission Idea Contest of nano-satellite constelation at the Escola Politécnica of USP. Eleven students attended the seminar and three professors of the Mechanical Engeneering Department. It was showed a presentation abou the contest and passed throw the abstract template. Most of the questions was more about what to be written in the template as there is no aerospace engineering course at Escola Politécnica. Some bibliography was showed in order to facilitate their lack of formation on this area.

Individual contacts with researchers that work with students in this area was done after the seminar in order to give a more wider and effective divulgation. It was done a visit at INPE at a researcher that is helping a cubsat project team at Santa Maria University, Prof. PhD. Otávio Durão. He said that he would inform the team about the project and incentivate them to parcipate. He also was going to make a contact with another student project team called Itasat. Promotional materials was given to him to be putted at the INPE installations. Contacts with INPE researchers was said he would make.

Other type of divulgations was with individuals students and researchers by phone, email and tele-conferences. One of these contacts was with Prof. Aldebaro from university of Para. It was done some internet meeting with the leader of the project and sent some material by mail for the students.

Onother contact was with a student of the ITASAT project in the city of Uberlandia during the ENCIT Congress. It was explained the contest and the website.

International contacts was also done. One of the contacts was with the laboratory for small satellites in Ukraine Yusdnoy. Mr Yulian Prodsan is one of the leaders. It was explained the contest and a brief explanation about the format of the abstract.

The majority of the people that the contact was made found very interesting the contest and said was going to help to contact other people.

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