



Press Release

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Suzuki Motor Corporation

Suzuki Funds ispace, inc. Who Announced Plan for Two Lunar Missions to Orbit Around and Land on the Moon

Suzuki has decided to fund two lunar missions* announced by ispace, inc. a private lunar exploration company.

ispace currently manages team HAKUTO, the sole Japanese team participating in the Google Lunar XPRIZE, and Suzuki has been a corporate partner with HAKUTO since July, 2016.

ispace has announced on 13th December that it will spearhead two lunar missions to orbit around and land on the Moon with its self-developed lunar lander, and Suzuki will support its projects through the missions as one of co-funding companies.

*For more details about the missions: <http://ispace-inc.com/news/?p=499>

With the two missions as the starting point, ispace is planning to expand commercial space activities centred around lunar resources and create a sustainable living sphere beyond Earth. Suzuki aims mutual technological development with ispace through this funding.

■ About ispace <http://ispace-inc.com/>

ispace is a private lunar exploration company with a vision to extend human presence beyond Earth. In December 2017, ispace raised \$90.2 million in Series A funding, which is the largest amount in the global commercial space sector. ispace is planning two lunar missions to orbit around and land on the Moon by 2020. ispace currently operates in Japan, Luxembourg and the USA, and signed partnerships with JAXA and the government of Luxembourg. ispace also manages team HAKUTO, the sole Japanese team to participate in the Google Lunar XPRIZE.