

Learnings from NASA FDL: a model for a worldwide SETI Federation

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NASA's Frontier Development Lab remains a unique model for public / private partnership and interdisciplinary collaboration and has demonstrated the value of disparate teams coming together to solve problems of universal importance to NASA and humankind, such as planetary defense, space weather and space resources.

In 2018, FDL is broadening its geographical reach and establishing a footprint in Europe, in partnership with the European Space Agency. The vision of this bi-lateral partnership expansion is to establish FDL nodes in locations around the world, and in doing so, the reach and impact of FDL's work.

In this talk, FDL Director, James Parr will discuss the FDL model and the potential for its application to problems of interest to the SETI community and the possibility of a coordinated worldwide effort; a "SETI Federation".