Breakthrough Starshot



Bidder's Briefing Phase 1 Sail RFP May 23, 2018 Zoom Room

BREAKTHROUGH INITIATIVES

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Starshot Objectives

- 1. Send a spacecraft to nearby stars with planets in the habitable zone within 5 Parsecs of earth
- 2. Collect Science Data of star system focused on planets and beam data back to Earth
- 3. Launch within 30 years, at an affordable cost
- 4. Go FAST!

Long Term Schedule

- \$100M R&D over next 5 years to determine feasibility of Laser and Sail
- Invest the value of the EELT from year 6 to year 11 build a low power prototype for space testing
- Invest the value of the Large Hadron Collider over 20 years for full scale laser system and space segment
- First Proxima Nanocraft launch in ~30 years
- 50 years from now first starchip arrives Proxima Centauri

ESO concept of what Proxima Centauri might look like from the surface of Proxima b

Sail R&D Schedule

Three phases over 5 years

- Phase 1 (this RFP) Concepts ,Models, Subscale Testing
- Phase 2 Lab Hardware Validation
- Phase 3 Field Demonstrations

BREAKTHROUGH STARSHOT



The constraints are: Speed: 0.2 c 1064 nm wavelength 60 Mm initial range

Input parameters are: Cost of lasers \$/W Cost of optics \$/m² Cost of power, energy storage \$/kWh Sail parameters

System Model Minimizes Photon Engine aperture to reach final speed Aperture vs transmit power trade to minimize cost 50% wall plug efficiency

CENTAURI SYSTEM MISSION

INPUTS

0.2 c target speed 1.06 micron wavelength 60,000 km initial sail displacement from laser source

Sailcraft

1 g payload 0.2 g/m² areal density 0.001% absorptance 70% reflectance 970 K maximum temperature 1.7 effective emissivity (2-sided)

Beamer

\$0.01/Watt laser cost \$500/m² optics cost \$50/kWh storage cost 50% wallplug to laser efficiency 70% of beam power emerges from top of atmosphere

POINT DESIGN

\$8.4B CAPEX comprised of:
\$2.0B lasers (200 GW transmitted power)
\$3.0B optics (2.8 km array effective diameter)
\$3.4B energy storage (68 GWh stored pulse energy)

\$7M energy cost per Starshot (68 GWh @\$0.1/kWh)

4.2 m sail diameter 3.8 g sail mass

9 min (521 s) beam duration 10 min (594 s) sail acceleration time

40 Pa temperature-limited photon pressure 562 N temperature-limited force 15,000 g's temperature-limited acceleration 2,300 g's final acceleration (at 0.15 au, 73 ls from source)

34 kW/m² beamer maximum radiant exitance 14.4 GW/m² sailcraft theoretical maximum irradiance 8.5 GW/m² sailcraft temperature-limited irradiance



CENTAURI SYSTEM MISSION VARIATION WITH SAIL DIAMETERs the space that the optimizer sees (iteration 1 of the solution procedure)

Minimum cost is at 4.2 m

There is a qualitative change as sail goes from temperature-

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RFP Schedule

- Final RFP release: 22 May 2018
- 5 page step A proposals due: 22 June 2018
- Invitation to submit step B proposals: 10 July 2018
- Finalist will be notified and contracts awarded summer of 2018
- Period of Performance 6 to 12 months

Phase 1 Technology Development Scope

The scope of this RFP addresses the Technology Development phase - to explore LightSail concepts, materials, fabrication and measurement methods, with accompanying analysis and simulation that creates advances toward a viable path to a scalable and ultimately deployable LightSail.

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Information for Bidders

- Proposals may include all or part of the requested work
- Multiple awards are anticipated
- Deliverables are a final report documenting concepts, analyses, and simulations, and status and financial reports. No hardware is required – Phase 1 is a paper study
- Bidding is a two step process
 - Step A, 5 pages (evaluation may involve phone discussions and even site visits)
 - Evaluators are Harry Atwater, Kevin Parkin, Jim Benford and Pete Klupar
 - Step B by invitation, 15 pages more detail, best and final
 - Other evaluators maybe included in discussions
 - Source Selection Authority Executive Director Breakthrough Starshot Foundation LLC

Information for Bidders

- Evaluation Criteria
 - Demonstrated understanding of the problems
 - Evidence of innovation and creativity
 - Responsiveness to the requirements
 - Relevant past performance and experience, including applicable delivered hardware
 - Described path to operational system
 - Cost
 - In-kind contributions are encouraged
 - Minimizing Overheads charges is encouraged
- BT reserves right to make awards to bidders that provide the best value
- This is a commercial procurement we encourage discussions, If you have private questions please drop us a note.



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