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“Fly me to the Moon?”

Wednesday 10th December, 1:30pm – 2:30pm
Online Microsoft Townhall via Microsoft Teams



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Dr Megan Argo is a Reader in Astrophysics at the University of Lancashire. Her research focuses on radio observations of starburst galaxies and AGN, hunting for objects such as supernovae and black holes.

The last few years has seen a dramatic rise in lunar activity, including the first commercial lunar landing and the first mission to conduct sample-return from the lunar far-side. Further missions are planned, commercial interest is growing, and a crewed mission is scheduled to finally return to the Moon in 2026. It feels like a new space race is under way. But why should we go back? What questions still need to be answered? Is a long-term human presence on the Moon viable, or sensible? And what risks might there be in this new era of activity on the lunar surface?



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