



G8 Initiative

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AIM: FOSTER INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION in the development of
ADVANCED ROBOTICS SYSTEMS able to dispense with human
exposure to difficult activities in harsh, demanding or dangerous
conditions or environments

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One JCF per year – WARSAW in 2012
Objectives of the Joint Committee Forum:

- to get an updated information on the member's programmes in Advanced Robotics
- to get an updated information on the yearly activities of the mandated working groups
- to plan IARP workshops on topics proposed by the Members
- to inform the European commission on the above mentioned programmes and get information on the EC planning in Robotics and related technologies

Working Groups

SSRR	Security, Safety, Rescue Robotics	Coord: USA ...JPN
HUDEM	Robotics for Humanitarian De-mining	Coord: BEL (Y.Baudoin)
DEPEND	Dependability of Robotics Systems	Coord: FRA
RISE	Robotics for Risky Interventions and Surveillance of the Environment	Coord: BEL-GER (Y.Baudoin – R.Dillman)
ASSIST	Assisted Living Quality of Life	Coord: UK, USA
ULTRA	Medical Robotics and UltraOperations	Coord: USA



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WG Tasks

- Define a Technical Activity Program (TAP)
- Yearly report on existing Programs/projects and related funds/IARP country
- Yearly formulate according recommendations towards National and International Funding Authorities (updated related roadmap)
- Periodically inform the official members of the IARP on progresses, projects, relevant events, proposal-calls, etc
- Yearly organise a dedicated IARP Workshop
- Inform on and update the list of the members of the WG
- Update a page on the Website <http://iarp.isir.upmc.fr>

WG HUDEM

Working Group	HUDEM
Title:	Robotics for humanitarian de-mining
Description:	Establishment of detailed minimal requirements, design concepts, standards and procedures for the implementation of robotics systems for humanitarian de-mining
Aim:	Organization of a (bi-) yearly workshop
Request:	IARP
Category:	Robotics Assistance, Multi-robotics, Sensor Systems (detection)
Type:	R&D results exchange of information <i>R&D results sent to the ITEP (International Testing Evaluation Programme) www.itep.ws (now GICHD)</i>
Equipment:	N/A
Development:	N/A
Time Frame:	1998-2012
Coordination Place:	Belgium, Royal Military Academy (RMA)
Lead Nation(s)	Belgium
Partners:	IARP , EURON, CLAWAR Association, , a.o.
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Status:	Ongoing
Web site:	www.itep.ws (now GICHD) – http://mecatron.rma.ac.be
Comments:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Ten IARP workshops have been organized to date: six scientific workshops (Toulouse 98, Vienna 02, Brussels 04, Tokyo 05, Cairo 08, Sousse 10) and two on-site workshops (Zimbabwe/Mozambique 00, Prishtina 02). Proceedings of the Workshops are available at the above-mentioned website. •Actualised Repertory of current projects available on request POC



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Roadmap	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Collect the End-users Requirements (Ottawa, Oslo, Field)2. Define the System Requirements (IARP Workshops)3. Define the Platform requirements4. Define the Testing procedures (RTO, (ELROB) a.o.)5. Build or negotiate Test facilities (DOVO, Belgium)6. Edit first repertory of UGV for Close-in detection7. Edit a handbook on robotics and sensor technologies8. Disseminate the Handbook (cooperation CLAWAR)9. Introduce proposals through FP7-SEC topics10. introduce other projects through Eureka, bilateral contacts, etc
Next action:	<p>Although robots are promising systems some detection tasks, only prototypes were and are currently in development and partial on-site tests (described in the proceedings of the IAR WS and on the ITEP Site) have been done.</p> <p>This application, extended to the sub-munitions (OSLO Convention) remains interesting and will be pursued through</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- FP7-SEC proposals (TIRAMISU)- Actualized Handbooks and workshops (11th in Sibenic April 2013)

First Handbook (2011)

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There have been major recent advances in robotic systems that can replace humans in undertaking hazardous activities in demanding or dangerous environments. Published in association with the CLAWAR (Climbing and Walking Robots and Associated Technologies) Association (www.clawar.org), this important book reviews the development of robotic systems for de-mining and other risky activities such as fire-fighting.

Part I provides an overview of the use of robots for humanitarian de-mining work. Part II discusses the development of sensors for mine detection whilst Part III reviews developments in both teleoperated and autonomous robots. Building on the latter, Part IV concentrates on robot autonomous navigation. The final part of the book reviews research on multi-agent-systems (MAS) and the multi-robotics-systems (MRS), promising robots that take into account modular design of mobile robots and the use of several robots in multi-task missions.

With its distinguished editors and international team of contributors, *Using robots in hazardous environments: landmine detection, de-mining and other applications* will be a standard reference for all those researching the use of robots in hazardous environments as well as government and other agencies wishing to use robots for dangerous tasks such as landmine detection and disposal.

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Baudoin and Habib



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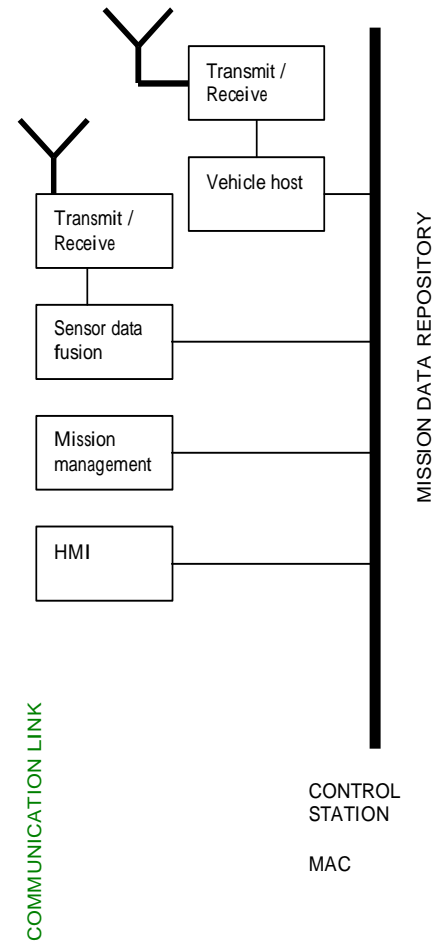
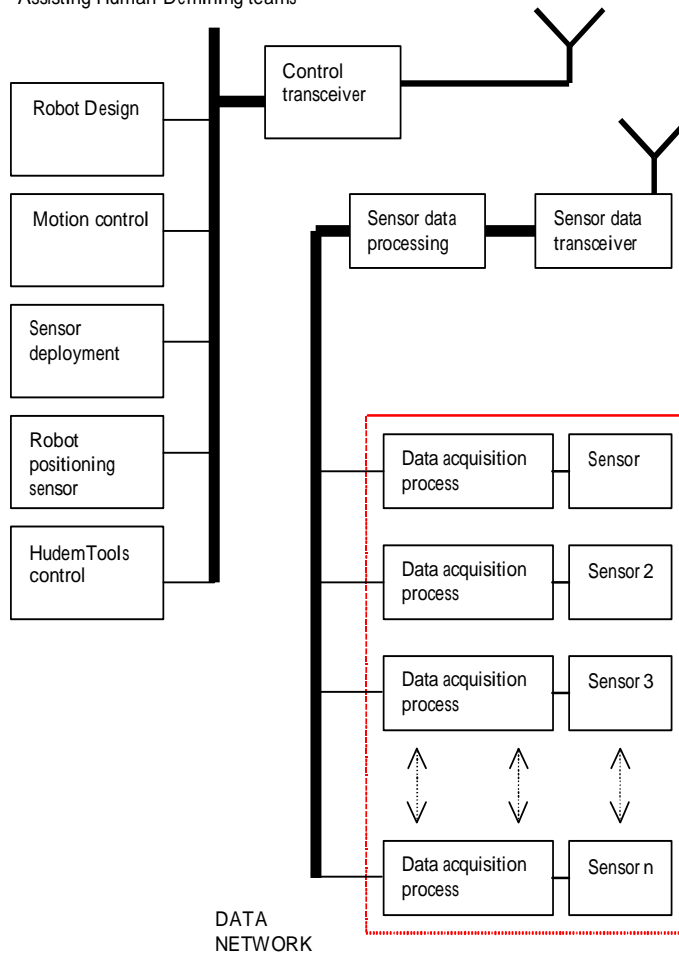
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1st and 2nd WS (Zimbabwe, Toulouse) : Definition of the modules to develop by RS

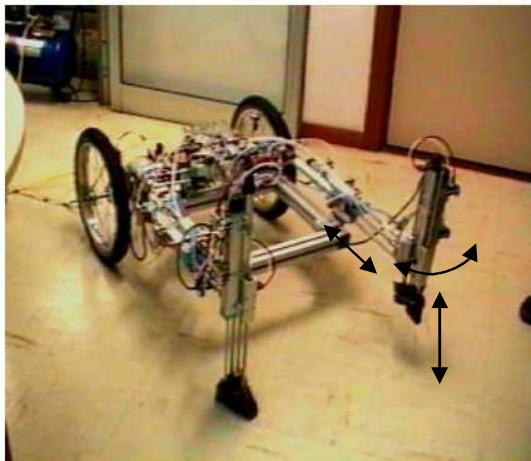
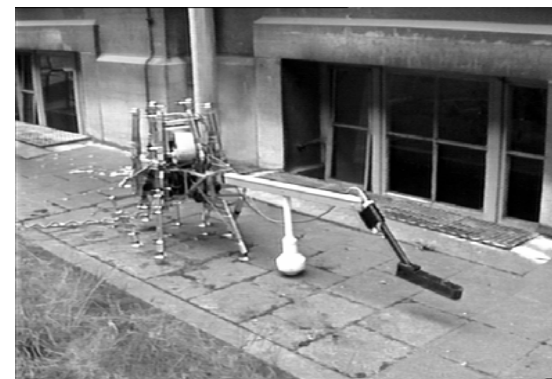
VEHICLE CONTROL NETWORK Assisting Human Demining teams



SENSOR SUITE

3-4-5th IARP WS HUDEM (Vienna-Pristhina-Brussels) – Description of first prototypes

(support: European CLAWAR Network – multi-legged robots)(EOD robots)

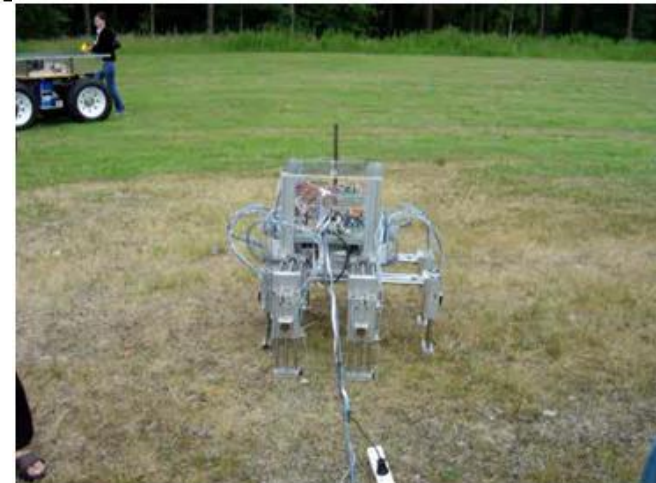




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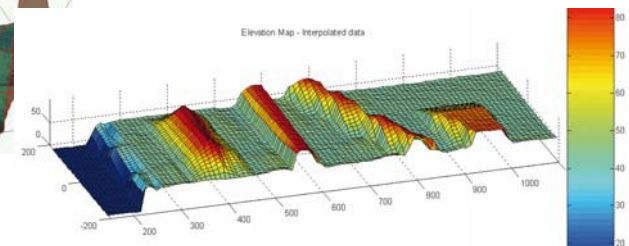
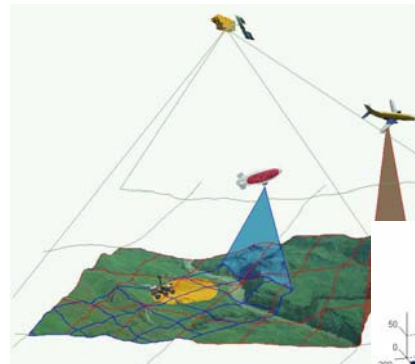
3-4-5th IARP WS HUDEM (Vienna-Pristina-Brussels – minimal requirements)

- **High Mechanical Reliability:** robust material and electronics to support high humidity, high temperature, dust, sand, rain, etc.
- Good resistance to accidental explosions: a protection shield could be a solution.
- **Easy to use:** A simple man-machine interface must be provided in order to allow a non-robotic expert operator to control the robot.
- Easy to repair: A modular construction can help to repair the robot easily and efficiently. Legs/feet, as the devices more in danger on an accidental explosion should be simple and modular and able to be re-constructed with simple materials.
- **Low cost:** In general all the parts should be based in systems spread all over the world. Mechanical parts could be based on very simple designs (simple rods, etc). Electronics and computers based in PC technologies, etc.
- **Autonomy:** At least half a day of autonomy is required. In electrical robots this can also be accomplished using petrol engine onboard or using tethers for supplying the power from outside the robot. The handle of the tether can be a great problem to be solved



3-4-5th WS Vienna, Kosovo - Usefulness

- Improvement of the safety in very dense minefields or fields containing a high percentage of iron (1/3 of the areas treated in Cambodia, for instance): a precise scanning, according to well- drilled motion-procedures, could allow the mapping (terrain modelling AND mine localisation) of unstructured areas with the same (or better) effectiveness (than this one of the Human deminers) and improved safety.
- Improvement of the 'productivity' of Human Deminers
- Progressive implementation of High-Level/Low-Level Scanning procedures (unmanned aerial/ground vehicles cooperation)
- Multi-Tooling of a mobile robot
- Quality Assurance (post-demining inspection)
- Dual-Use:
 - Systematic inspection of dangerous areas after earthquakes
 - Systematic inspection of dangerous areas after Nuclear/Chemical accidents
 - Space applications (Mars Rover...)
 - Survey of forests and prevention of Fires
 - Military Robotics (including the Mine-clearing Ops during Peace-keeping/maintaining missions)

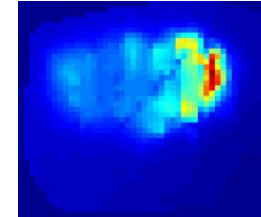


6-7-8th IARP WS HUDEM (Tokyo-Cairo-Sousse)

Improvement and testing of Robots/Sensors



DYLEMA- CSIC (MD-GPR)



HUNTER – RMA (MD, UWB and HOPE)



GRYPHON Prof Ishikawa Tokyo JPN



SCARA ALYS, Prof Nonami Shigeo JPN

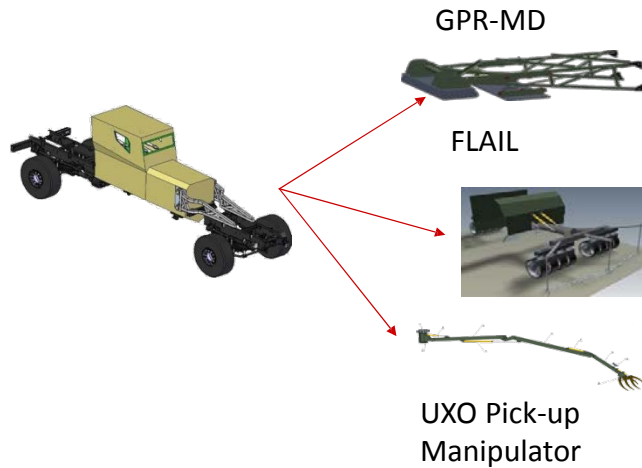


COMET III, Prof Nonami Shigeo JPN



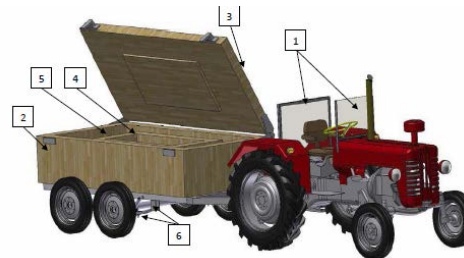
2011: LOCOSTRA Test in Jordan
(SNAIL-AID, **PIERRE**)

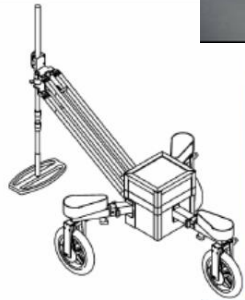
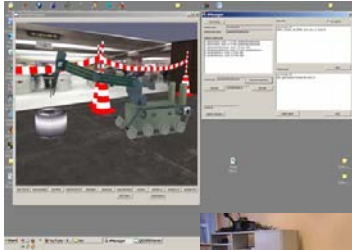
2012: A robust, simple, low-cost autonomy enhancement module for LOCOSTRA, a **remotely controlled** demining machine: Michal Przybylko, Emanuela Elisa Cepolina, Gianni Polentes¹ and Matteo Zoppi² (**DIMEC, PIERRE**)



2011: Concept, MILITARY INSTITUTE OF ENGINEER TECHNOLOGY

2012: Proposal for construction of demining machines and trailers for the transport of dangerous goods carried out **within the project TIRAMISU**: Marcin SZCZEPANIAK, PhD, Wiesław Jasiński, (**WITI**)





2011: Training with Robots

2012: Identification and classification of tools and missions needing e-training of Humanitarian Demining staff with use of computer simulation:
Andrzej Kaczmarczyk, Marek Kacprzak, Andrzej Masłowski (IMM)

2012: Qualitative Spatio-temporal Representation and Reasoning Framework for Risky Intervention mobile robot's operator training
Design: Janusz Będkowski¹, Paweł Musialik¹, Andrzej Masłowski¹, Yvan Baudoin² (IMM, RMA)

2011: ROBUDEM, BBN of RC Sensor carrier (RMA)

2012: TRIDEM, project of teleoperated dog-like post-scanner for QA: Y.Baudoin, I.Doroftei (RMA-TUI)

2012: State of the art review on Mobile Robots and Manipulators for humanitarian demining: L. Marques¹, A. T. de Almeida¹, M. Armada², R. Fernández², H. Montes², Y. Baudoin³ (ISR-UC, CSIC-CAR, RMA)

2012: Robot mapping of sites contaminated by landmines and unexploded ordnance. Kjeld Jensen, Leon B. Larsen, Kent S. Olsen, Jens Hansen, Rasmus N. Jørgensen (University of Southern Denmark Campusve)

9-10th WS – Sibenic : Technical Survey – Close-in-detection – clearance – Control - Training



ISR-UC S-O ground detection (L.Marques)

2012: Sensors for close-in detection of explosive devices – current status and future prospects: Lino Marques¹, Giovanni Muscato², Yann Yvinec³, Salvo (ISR-UC, UNICT, RMA, VALLON, USTAN)

2012: Bio-inspiration and Mine Detection: M.K.Habib, UN CAIRO

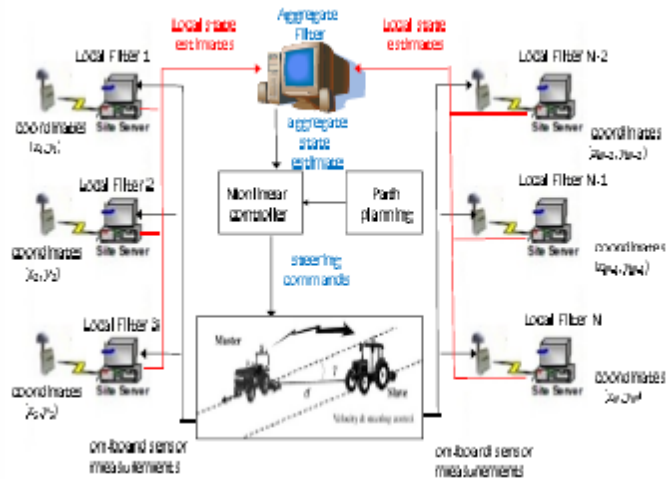
Efforts were focusing to determine whether trained foraging bees can reliably and inexpensively search wide areas for the presence of landmine chemical signatures, such as TNT, at very low concentration, and possibly other explosive materials in bombs and landmines, as well as other chemicals of interest,

including drugs and even decomposing bodies.



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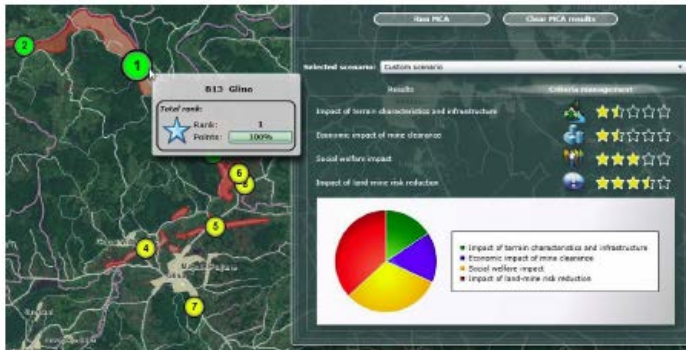
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2012: Extended Information Filtering and nonlinear control for cooperating robot harvesters (G.C. Rigatos)

2012: Complete coverage path planning of mobile robots for humanitarian demining: Marija Đakulović and Ivan Petrović University of Zagreb, Croatia

2012: Airborne wide area general assessment of the environment pollution due to the exploded ammunition storages: Milan Bajic, Croatia



2012: An overview of GIS-based Multi-Criteria Analysis of priority selection in humanitarian demining : Nenad Mladineo, Snjezana Knezic, Marko Mladineo



Figure 1. The ammunition storage Padjene: a) before the explosion, shown on the satellite IKONOS image 29.03.2006 (Google Earth Pro); b) one month after the explosion shown on the aerial photography 13.10.2011.



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TIRAMISU

**Toolbox Implementation for Removal
of Anti-personnel Mines, Submunitions and Uxo**

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