

## 20170527 Without a True Space Culture

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Humanity lives in poverty, because it does not yet have a true space culture. Getting a person just at Earth's orbit takes millions, if not billions, of dollars. The ISS, the International Space Station, is a mere lighthouse near the beach. In deep space, people cannot yet venture, because there is no proper radiation shielding. Humanity still trapped on Earth is poverty.

Space agencies have robot probes that survey and scan other planets, moons, etc. Is the human body too fragile for deep space? I am beginning to believe the scenario suggested in *Gargantia on the Verdurous Planet* that it may take more than just hundreds of years of development to get off this rock.

A few believe in the conspiracy theories. They think that there are secretly already people on the Moon and elsewhere. They think that humans secretly already are colluding with aliens. Whom can one believe?

Let us not stray off course from conspiracy theories. A true space culture that I envision purports that people would talk about "worlds" and not just a single "world" as today. It purports spaceports on different planets, moons, and space superstructures. There would be regular traffic between them. Humanity would have several baskets, instead of just one, for its eggs. There would be different new cultures sprouting.

We still are just on this rock, Earth...