Subject: This week's FISO colloquium (July 16): "Biological and Cultural Dimensions of

Human Space Colonization.""

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Folks.

This week's Future In-Space Operations (FISO) telecon colloquium will be Wednesday, July 16, and will host Cameron Smith (Portland State University), who will speak on "Biological and Cultural Dimensions of Human Space Colonization."

This is a Special Topics colloquium, which my co-chair, Dr. Dan Lester, and I thought might be intriguing and challenging. See the note about the speaker and his work on our FISO web site.

As always, the colloquium will be at 3pm ET and will use our regular FISO telecon number.

The speaker's presentation will be posted on the FISO server at the University of Texas by noon the day of the colloquium: http://spirit.as.utexas.edu/ $\sim$ fiso/telecon.htm . Please note that we are audio-recording the colloquia and archiving the recordings with the presentation materials.

Have a good week,

Harley

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An anthropologist and prehistorian at Portland State University in Oregon, Dr. Smith brings insights he has gained in the study of the early human experience on Earth to the manifold problems confronting us as we head for the stars. His current work on interstellar issues is part of his engagement with Project Hyperion, an attempt by Icarus Interstellar to develop parameters and reference studies for a multi-generational worldship. He recently published Emigrating Beyond Earth: Human Adaptation and Space Colonization(Springer-Praxis, 2013), focusing on the synergies that occur between the study of past human migrations and the ongoing cultural and biological evolution of a species aspiring to leave the world that gave it birth. Dr. Smith has written widely about evolution and exploration in several books."