

Abstract:

Universal acceptance of new opportunities from the International Space Station depends upon the meanings that such new opportunities have for members of the global family. While some members in the family are able to connect to the future and clearly see the value of the Space Station, others are only remotely aware of the new possibilities or they are just indifferent. Such people may not make reasonable choices or set goals when their attention is drawn to new opportunities. Instead, they desire the opportunities to fit in with their lifestyles; if not, the individuals become anxious and helpless and cannot conform to the requirements of the International Space Station and the global family. There are philosophical and political views that shape individuals' commitments to the ISS, their ability to construct meaningful lives and opportunities for moral and social change. We aim at pointing out possible ways of making people who are far removed from the activities of the ISS to join the search for new opportunities. We believe that it is easier for individuals to join the search if they discover opportunities which they fit into their daily life occupations and if we can forge a link between converging Digital Technology, the Space Station and daily life occupations. We think that this should make the families working and living in Eastern Africa share the costs and risks, and reshape their labour and ingenuity in the search, along with personal achievement, family growth, social networking and spiritual nourishment. We are convinced that families can put their weight behind the Space Station and search for opportunities that enhance the lives of present and future global families.