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Weekly exercise L50_1
Answers

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Adapted from "voanews.com" "European Space Agency Expects Members to Back ISS, ExoMars", November 29, 2016

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Europe's **space agency** expects its **member states** to back **major programs** such as the **International Space Station** and the **ExoMars mission** to the **Red Planet** this week, even if it does not receive the full 11 billion euros of funding it is requesting.

"If we get only 90 percent of the funding then this is not a catastrophe," Jan Woerner told Reuters in an interview ahead of a meeting in Lucerne on Thursday and Friday this week, at which ministers of the 22 **member states** of the **European Space Agency** (ESA) are to approve **spending plans**.

ESA's investments over the **coming years** are to focus on a shift to what the agency calls "Space 4.0," in which **big data** becomes a **key part** of missions and **privately owned space startups** shake up the sector.

A **large portion** of funding, at 1.6 billion euros, is to be earmarked for **earth observation programs**, while another 1.2 billion is to be for **telecommunications projects**.

ESA is asking for 800 million euros for Europe's participation in the **International Space Station** (ISS) through 2021 and wants approval to extend Europe's commitment to the **space station** through 2024.

"From the discussions I have had so far with the **member states**, there was no **member state** saying we will close the **European activity** on the ISS. It's more that they are asking for **clear results** coming out of the ISS," ESA's Woerner said.

European astronaut Thomas Pesquet arrived at the ISS this month, around five months after the return of Britain's **first official astronaut**, Tim Peake.

"The U.K. is asking for **another flight** of Tim Peake. This is the **normal game**," Woerner said.

The **space agency** also needs its **member states** to approve another 400

million euros of funding for the **ExoMars program**, which is to send a rover to the **Red Planet's** surface in 2020.

As part of ExoMars, Europe sent a **gas-sniffing orbiter** and a **test lander** to Mars this year, but the lander crashed due to a **sensor failure** **last month**.

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