

Harry Elliot: His cosmic odyssey and legacy

A symposium in memory of one of Britain's space pioneers

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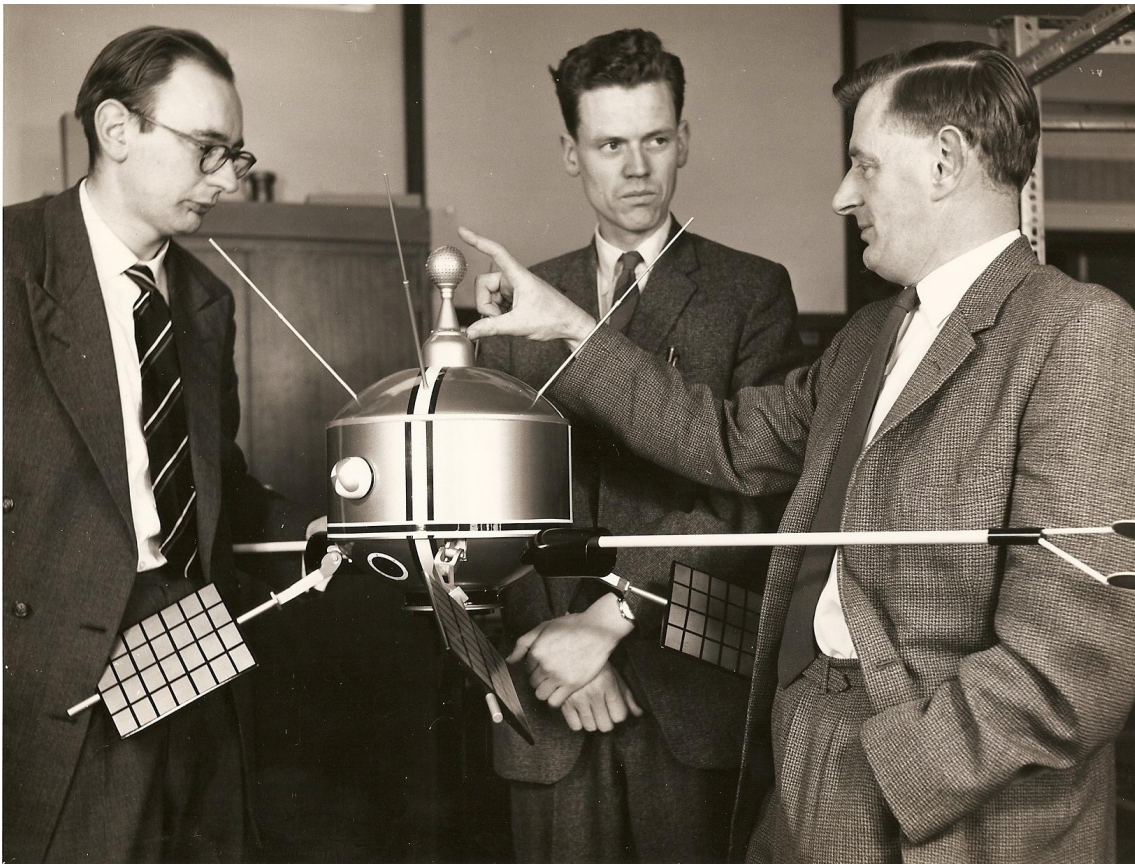
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Programme

- 14:30 Welcome and Introduction *Professor David Southwood
ESA HQ*
- 14:40 Harry: the man *Brian Elliot*
- 14:50 Manchester days *Professor Sir Arnold Wolfendale
Durham University*
- 15:00 Harry and the SRC *Dr Harry Atkinson
formerly SRC, SERC, and Chair of ESA*
- 15:10 From ESRO to ESA *Professor Roger Bonnet
International Space Science Institute, Bern*
- 15:30 Cosmic Ray Transport *Professor John Quenby
Imperial College London*
- 15:50 TEA *Level 2 Foyer*
- 16:10 The Odyssey of Ulysses *Dr Richard Marsden
ESA ESTEC*
- 16:30 Imperial in Space *Professor André Balogh
Imperial College London and ISSI*
- 16:50 The Highest Energy Cosmic Rays *Professor Alan Watson
University of Leeds*
- 17:10 Concluding Remarks *Professor Steve Schwartz
Imperial College London*
- 17:20 Drinks Reception *Physics Common Room
Blackett Laboratory Level 8*
- Display Ballooning Stories *Dr Trevor Sanderson
ESA ESTEC*

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Harry Elliot began working in Manchester with Patrick Blackett on cosmic rays. He studied their nature and origin, and moved with Blackett to Imperial in 1953. There he established one of the UK's leading centres for cosmic ray research. Harry became one of the founders of Britain's and Europe's participation in the scientific exploration of space. His legacy includes the many space missions in which he played a critical role, commencing with ESRO in 1968. Under his leadership, the group at Imperial diversified into the broad range of scientific topics now covered by them and by his former students presently working in science across the world.



Harry Elliot (right) with John Quenby, Bob Hynds and a model of Ariel 1, the first British satellite, which was launched in 1962.

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