

# **Policy Considerations Related to NASA's Moon to Mars Architecture**

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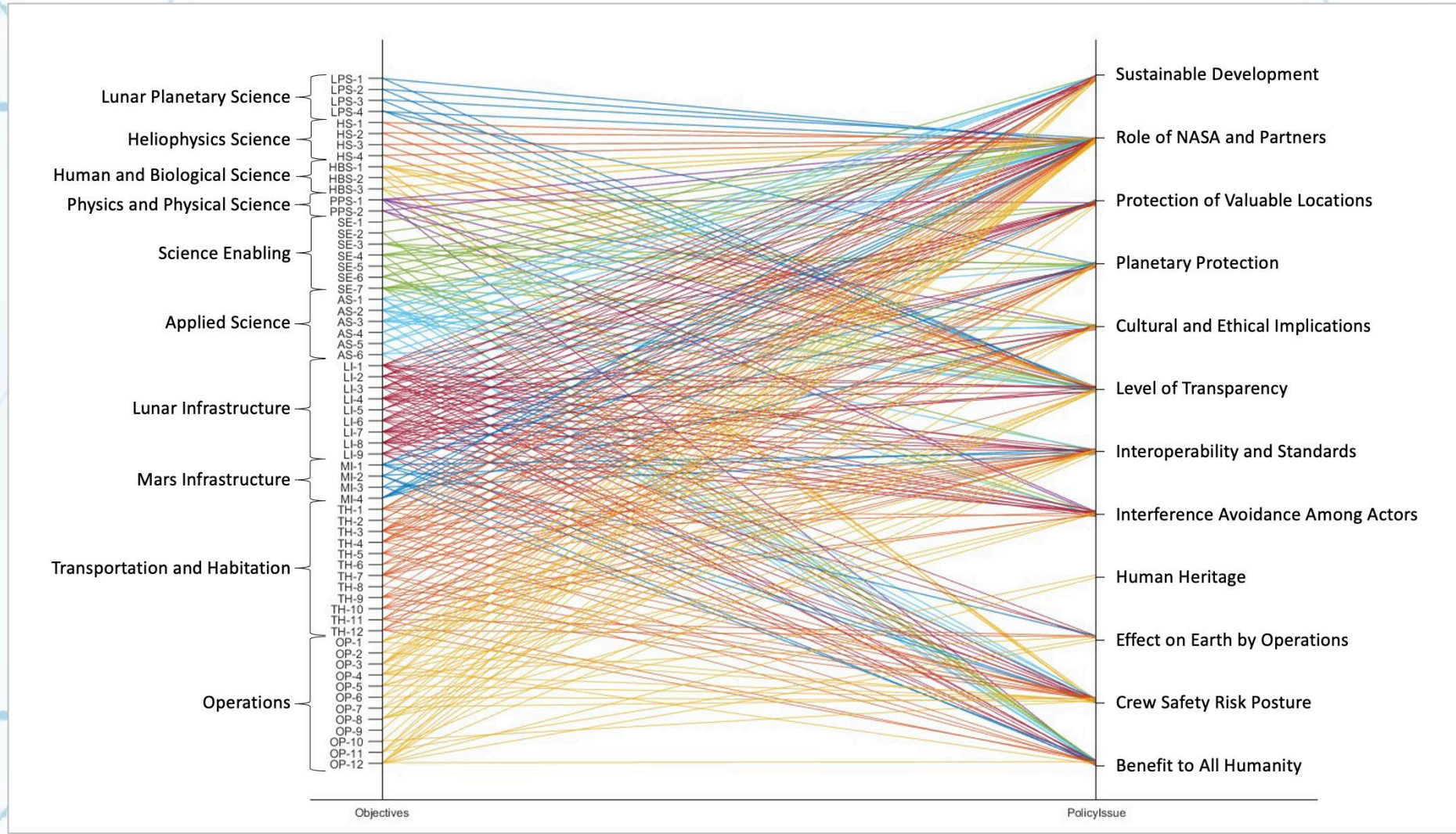
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# Interconnections Between Policy Considerations







# Sample Collection of Policy Considerations

## Transparency

Bhavya Lal, associate administrator for technology, policy, and strategy at NASA Headquarters speaks during a NASA briefing on the Artemis I Moon mission. (Image credit: NASA/Bill Ingalls)



## Protection of Valuable Locations

Image of far side of the Moon taken by NASA MoonKam onboard the Ebb spacecraft, Credit: NASA/Caltech-JPL/MIT/SRS

## Role of NASA and Partners

Colombian Vice President and Foreign Minister Marta Lucía Ramírez (left) signs the Artemis Accords as NASA Deputy Administrator Pamela Melroy looks on at NASA headquarters in Washington, D.C., on May 10, 2022. (Image credit: NASA/Aubrey Gemignani)



## Planetary Protection

Planetary protection engineers working on Martian rock containment tubes. Credit: NASA/JPL-Caltech



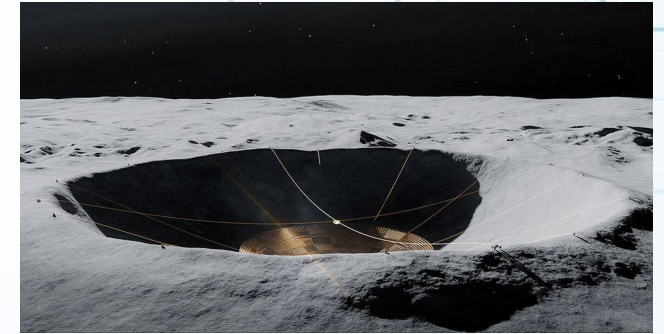
# Example Policy Considerations Raised in M2M Objectives

## A Single Objective: A lunar quiet zone (M2M Objective Physics and Physical Science-1)

- Policy considerations are flagged **6 times** across:
  - Role of NASA and partners
  - Interference avoidance among actors
  - Protection of valuable locations
  - Level of transparency
  - Benefit to all nations
  - Social and ethical considerations

## Objective Category: Lunar Infrastructure (M2M Objectives LI-1 to LI-9)

- Across all 9 lunar infrastructure objectives, policy considerations are flagged **72 times**.
- Lunar infrastructure flags many policy considerations due to:
  - Operations on relatively small geographic areas
  - Numerous potential actors/stakeholders
  - Potentially limited resources involved



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# Next Steps



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**Thank you, any questions?**