

Press release

# SOLARSTRATOS

TO THE EDGE OF SPACE



## SolarStratos – guest of honour in Montreal!

SolarStratos will be guest of honour at the upcoming Northern Solar Festival in Montreal, Quebec, from 15-22 June 2017. In parallel, from 19-22 June, Raphael Domjan, Swiss eco-explorer and the man behind the SolarStratos project, will attend the Metropolis World Congress that gathers 140 mayors from the world's largest cities. He will also participate in the Eureka! Festival on the 11 June. Through these events, Raphael Domjan will share the solar-powered SolarStratos project with the public and the world's political representatives. There will also be exhibition flights over the St Lawrence River.





**Yverdon, Switzerland, 7 June 2017** – Raphael Domjan and the **SolarStratos** team will be guests of honour in Montreal, Quebec, in June, at the **Northern Solar Festival** and the **Metropolis World Congress** that gathers 140 mayors from the world's largest cities. The team will also be present at the **Eureka! Festival** on 11 June.

Raphael Domjan, the Swiss eco-explorer and man behind the SolarStratos project, will use this opportunity to host presentations for political representatives and members of the public. He will also attend a press conference in collaboration with the Swiss Confederation and the City of Montreal. These events provide a chance to promote the SolarStratos mission and renewable energies by demonstrating that concepts and projects that were previously unthinkable are now possible due to new technologies, notably in terms of solar-electric aviation. Thanks to the most recent developments, using renewable energies, it is possible to go beyond what has been achieved to date with fossil fuels. For example, the solar plane, SolarStratos, will fly at an altitude of 24,000 metres during its stratospheric flight.

### **SolarStratos will fly in Montreal**

SolarStratos is currently on a trailer inside a 40-foot container and en route to Montreal on a cargo ship. The pioneering aircraft will be presented to the public and to global political representatives before conducting exhibition flights over the St Lawrence river (weather permitting).

**Sunday 11 June 2017, 1100**

"Eureka! Festival, Vieux-Port" - Public presentation – Raphael Domjan

**Friday 16 June 2017, 1000**

Mirabel Airport - Press conference – Raphael Domjan with Swiss Confederation and City of Montreal representatives

**Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 June 2017, 1000-2000**

Vieux-Port - SolarStratos solar aircraft on show

**Tuesday 20 and Wednesday 21 June 2017, TBC**

St-Hubert Airport - SolarStratos exhibition flights over the St Lawrence river

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**Pictures for the press:**

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### **About SolarStratos “To the edge of space”**

SolarStratos is a SolarXplorers S.A. adventure. The mission, initiated by Swiss eco-explorer Raphael Domjan in 2014, aims to achieve the first solar-powered stratospheric flight at an altitude of more than 24,000 metres by 2019.

SolarStratos is a two-seater solar-powered aircraft manufactured and designed by Calin Gologan, CEO of Elektra Solar GmbH. The solar systems were developed by the CSEM in Neuchatel and a team of international specialists.

To achieve this unprecedented mission, Raphael Domjan, supported by the Swiss Confederation and the German Space Agency (DLR), has teamed up with a group of specialists, namely: test pilot, Damian Hischer; astronaut, Michael Lopez-Alegria; entrepreneur, Thierry Plojoux and CEO of SolarStratos, Roland Loos, as well as other engineering, meteorology, IT and communication experts.



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