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It is April, and we are starting to feel the change of the season, but I must also add that in South Africa, I think we are beginning to lose two seasons. If I remember back in the past year, we didn't have a winter last year (in Johannesburg) with only a week of icy weather, and we missed Spring. I'm sure



this year will not surprise that we will enjoy a very mellow winter, and wake up one morning and it's summer. Aren't we lucky?

This issue focusses on Aerospace - which is another ball-game. The first feature article, on page 22 is about Machining Titanium for the Aerospace industry. It is somewhat interesting to learn that aircraft companies are taking strides to streamline their fleets to operate more efficiently.

The next feature article on page 28 discusses the amount of Space Junk outside our atmosphere, and how there is a race on between the United States and the United Kingdom on who will come up with the better plan to remove all the debris.

I put together an article on the Mission to Mars (pg 34) which tells you all about the launch of the programme, right through to what the plans are for establishing a human settlement on Mars. The countdown has begun, and countries from all over the world are part of this historic endeavour.

Well, you have a jam-packed issue here.

I will be jumping right into the May issue, which will be available at the African Utility Week, taking place from 15 - 17 May in Cape Town. We will be there, and please pop into our stand and come and say hello.

Here's your April issue - enjoy the read!



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