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We sat down with Sriya Konduparti to reflect on their journey leading Team Novarium through the UKSEDS ORT competition, a journey that proved to be as transformative as it was rewarding.

Guided by Stars: Leadership That Shaped Our Society

What did leading Team Novarium in the ORT competition teach you?

Steering the team through the pressures of competition taught me to stay calm and decisive when things didn't go as planned. It also pushed me to trust my teammates' skills and strike the right balance between big-picture vision and the finer details. Above all, it gave me real confidence in handling responsibility.

What are you most proud of from this experience?

Guiding our team to win the Best Innovation Award is something I'll never forget. We built our project from scratch, learned as we went, and managed to stand out against incredibly strong competitors. That win wasn't just about the technology — it was proof of our creativity and teamwork in action.

Was there a standout moment for you?

Without a doubt, the moment we were announced as winners of the Best Innovation award. The late nights, the stress, the risks — it all came flooding back as pure excitement. That announcement made every challenge and sacrifice worthwhile.



What message do you hope future members of the society take from this journey?

I'd like them to see that you don't need a huge budget or decades of expertise to make an impact. With persistence, passion, and creativity, it's possible to achieve recognition on a national level. My hope is that future members feel empowered to dream big, regardless of the odds.

If you had to sum up this experience in one word, what would it be?

Transformative. It completely reshaped how I view leadership, teamwork, and myself. I started as a curious student and walked away with a clearer sense of purpose and drive.

Meet Felix: Our Cosmic Mascot

FELIX REPRESENTS WHO WE ARE:
DARING DREAMERS,
READY TO LEAP INTO THE UNKNOWN.



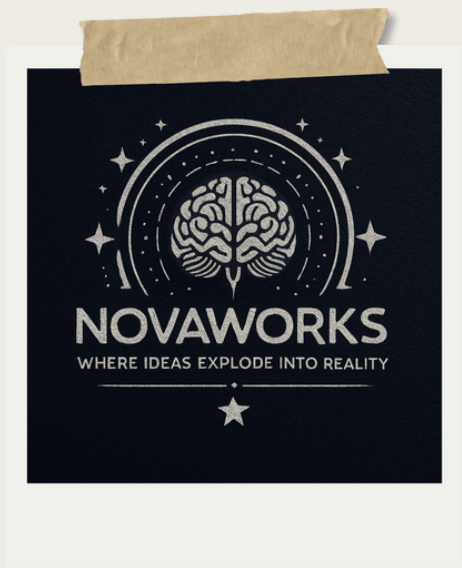
Every great crew needs a fearless explorer, and for our society, that spirit lives in Felix, our mascot. Inspired by Félicette, the French cat who made history in 1963 as the first feline launched into space, Felix embodies curiosity, courage, and the drive to push beyond limits.

Just like Félicette's successful mission paved the way for discoveries in space science, Felix stands as a symbol of bold experimentation and persistence within our community. He reminds us that even small steps, or paw prints, can leave a lasting mark among the stars.

WHETHER PERCHED ON A BANNER, IN OUR HEARTS, OR INSPIRING OUR PROJECTS, FELIX ISN'T JUST A MASCOT, HE'S A REMINDER THAT SPACE EXPLORATION IS FUELED NOT ONLY BY ROCKETS BUT ALSO BY IMAGINATION, RESILIENCE, AND TEAMWORK.



Coming Up Next



A CREATIVE COLLISION OF AI AND SPACE EXPLORATION | BROUGHT TO YOU BY RABBITRON LAB AND THE UOBD SPACE SOCIETY

We're thrilled to announce NovaWorks, a collaborative workshop between Rabbitron Lab and the UoBD Space Society. Focused on the intersection of AI and space exploration, NovaWorks is designed to inspire innovation, spark teamwork, and turn bold ideas into real projects. Guided by the motto "Where Ideas Explode into Reality," participants will engage in interactive sessions and hands-on activities, leading to final projects that showcase their creativity and vision for the future of space technology. Stay tuned for launch details!

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