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Outreach for sustainability, science capital and a future in space at Onsala Space Observatory's new visitor centre

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Space and astronomy offer important opportunities for helping young people to increase their science capital. Motivated also by the UN's sustainability goals and the challenge of Earth's changing climate, Chalmers is building a new visitor centre and exhibition covering space and astronomy technology at Onsala Space Observatory, with kids in years 2-9 as a main target audience. We present progress on the centre, and on a new cluster of initiatives connected to it. Among these are the student network Upprymd, the high school hands-on project Rymdskolan, and upgrades to our small SALSA radio telescopes. All are aimed at making science accessible to young people and their communities in West Sweden.

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