Sylvi is a “rocket scientist” with the soul of an entrepreneur. She’s passionate about unmanned systems and spacecraft, often working in novel approaches and technologies for Aerospace’s business development.

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Her work on flight operations for rocket launches as well as her experience in Program Office for GPS gives her a unique perspective on risk management and mission assurance that she brings over to the unmanned systems realm.

Sylvi is a strong supporter of STEAM: she believes that the key for the blossoming of unmanned aerial systems commercial applications is training of high-school and college kids as operators and payload/mission designers.