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IAA elects 99 New Academicians from Across the Globe

The International Academy of Astronautics (IAA), an independent non-governmental organization of over 1,200 distinguished individuals from 85 nations who are elected by their peers for their outstanding contributions to astronautics and the exploration of Space, has elected 99 new members.

The Academy was founded by the leaders among early Space pioneers around the world. Continuing that distinguished tradition, current members include Space agency and industry leaders, preeminent Space engineers, scientists, lawyers and judges, as well as outstanding individuals at the interface of Space and society.

Since 1960, the IAA has brought together the world's foremost experts and leaders in the disciplines of astronautics to recognize the accomplishments of their peers, explore and discuss innovative issues in space research and technology, and advance the peaceful use of Space to benefit all humankind.

The Academy encourages international scientific cooperation through conferences, symposia and meetings covering the spectrum of Space activities including Space Fundamental and Life Sciences; Space Technology & Space System Development, Operations and Utilization; Space Policy, Law, Economy, Society, Culture and Education.

The IAA publishes the #1 Space journal in the world, ACTA ASTRONAUTICA, as well as a continuing series of Books and Cosmic Studies examining a wide variety of topics including Space Exploration, Space Debris, Small Satellites, Space Traffic Management, Life Sciences, Planetary Defense, Climate Change and the use of Space-based sensing to mitigate Natural Disasters.

The 99 distinguished, newly elected Academicians of the International Academy of Astronautics are:

Corresponding Members Basic Sciences					
Barucci	Antonietta	France	Patra	Amit K	India
Castillo-Rogez	Julie C.	USA	Raouafi	Nour E.	USA
Denevi	Brett W.	USA	Corresponding Members Engineering Sciences		
Ebihara	Yusuke	Japan	Baycan	Serdar	Australia
Gong	Zizheng	China	Biju Prasad	B.	India
Ho	George	USA	Chen	Haipeng	China
Korth	Haje	Germany	Grassi	Michele	Italy
Mundell	Carole	UK	Henderson	Troy A.	USA
Santosh	Vadawale	India	Koronios	Andy	Australia
Sun	Yueqiang	China	Nagai	Masahiko	Japan
Van Amerongen	Aaldert	Netherlands	Norton	Charles D.	USA
Zhang	Jingrui	China	Servidia	Pablo	Argentina
			Takata	Masaharu	Japan
			Trifoni	Eduardo	Australia
			Wang	Xiaowei	China
			Xie	Gengxin	China
			Zappino	Enrico	Italy
Members Basic Sciences					
Antonietti	Nicolo	Italy			
Caraveo	Patrizia A.	Italy			
Dominik	Martin	UK			
Fujimoto	Masaki	Japan			
Georgoulis	Emmanouil	Greece			
Michel	Patrick	France			

Members Engineering Sciences

Aksamentov	Valery K.	USA
Asir Packiaraj	Joseph	India
Bijukumar	Saraswathy K.	India
Carrasco-Casado	Alberto	Spain
Choi	Joon-Min	South Korea
Cichan	Thimothy	USA
Court	Andrew J.	UK
Cui	Pingyuan	China
de Oliveira	Elcio Jeronimo	Brazil
Di Roberto	Riccardo	Italy
Flohrer	Tim	Germany
Gao	Bo	China
Granvik	Mikael	Finland
Hasbi	Wahyudi	Indonesia
Ismail	Abdul M.	Bangladesh
Ivanov	Danil	Russia
Kurita	Jorge H.	Paraguay
Kuwahara	Toshinori	Japan
Meng	Guang	China
Multan	Nicolas	France
Narasimha Rao	Ch V.	India
Nordt	Alison A.	USA
Okada	Nobu	Japan
Padmakumar	Sankaran E.	India
Pan	Binfeng	China
Sankaran	Muthusamy	India
Sherwood	Brent	USA
Stoll	Enrico	Germany
Zhang	Duzhou	China

Corresponding Members Life Sciences

Detrell	Gisela	Germany
Gao	Feng	China
Hu	Shijun	China
Karkala	Alik	Greece
Ryumin	Oleg O.	Russia
Terada	Masahiro	Japan
Vasilev	Ivan	Russia

Members Life Sciences

Barde	Sebastien	France
Frantzidis	Christos	Greece
Golemis	Adrianos	Greece
Han	Hongbin	China
Haqq-Misra	Jacob	USA
Hei	Tom K.	USA
Melroy	Pamela A.	USA

Corresponding Members Social Sciences

Blake	Duncan P.	Australia
Blount	Percy J.	USA
Dennemont	Fabrice	France
Greenstone	Adam F.	USA
Khan	Mohammad Y.	Pakistan
McGillis	Charlie	USA
Moore	Anna	Australia
Noto	Maria Chiara	Italy
Simpson	James S.	USA
Stilwell	Ruth	USA
Sun	Ze Zhou	China
Yebra	Marta	Australia

Members Social Sciences

Cianci	Flaminio	Italy
Ciancone	Michael L	USA
Dickey	John Charles	USA
Gowrisankar	Dhandapani	India
Kuriyama	Ikuko	Japan
La Regina	Veronica	Italy
Takeshita	Atsuya	Japan
Tapio	Jenni	Finland
Walton	Lori	Canada
Zheng	Riheng	China