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**IAA Attributes the von Karman Award for 2025 to
Dr. S. Somanath**

The International Academy of Astronautics (IAA) has attributed the Theodore von Karman Award for 2025 to Sreedhara Panicker Somanath, Member of the Engineering Sciences Section of the IAA, in recognition of his unparalleled contributions in advancing the system engineering of launch vehicles and Space technology, and his extraordinary leadership of India's Space Program, inspiring engineering excellence and fostering global partnerships that are expanding the exploration and peaceful uses of Space for the betterment of all humanity.

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