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3.356 ABSTRACTS FROM 86 COUNTRIES FOR THE FIRST IAC IN DUBAI

The International Astronautical Federation (IAF) is pleased to inform you that the **72nd International Astronautical Congress – IAC 2021** has received **3356 abstracts from 86 countries**, one of its highest number of abstract submissions ever. The International Programme Committee will select the abstracts to be presented in Dubai, U.A.E., during the IAF Spring Meetings.

For the very first time, the IAC is opening its doors to the global space community in the United Arab Emirates, the first Arab country to host the IAC since its establishment in 1950. And the response from the global scientific community has been enthusiastic. In particular, the Special Session format reached **a record-breaking number of 87 proposals!** Special sessions are a valuable way to cast light on cutting-edge themes, theories, and methods being interdisciplinary and interactive.

An impressive number is also given by the students' scientific community submitting more than **30% of abstracts!** It seems as the IAC 2021 in Dubai will offer an insight of the future that the students are preparing for the space sector.

The IAC has always been the most important space gathering prizing personal interactions as much as academic presentations. The IAF is working closely with IAF Member, The Mohammed Bin Rashid Space Centre (MBRSC) in order to preserve the IAC spirit during this pandemic. This impressive number of abstracts received for the IAC 2021 is a clear message from the space community showing their support and trust into the organization of a **safe, inclusive and futuristic Congress.**

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