

## Washington, D.C.

Celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first lunar landing in the city where the Apollo project received the “green light.” A leading international city—home to key decision makers, universities, and a mix of aerospace and technology firms—Washington, D.C., is the perfect site for the 70<sup>th</sup> International Astronautical Congress in 2019 (IAC 2019). As the seat of the United States federal government, the location guarantees that key policy and decision makers will hear the message that space exploration, international collaboration, and technology development are critical to human progress.

From monuments and memorials to vibrant neighborhoods with character and charm, D.C. is certain to give attendees an experience to remember. Attendees will enjoy all the benefits of a world-class destination: excellent dining, iconic sights, unrivaled entertainment, and cultural attractions.

Washington, D.C., is a truly international city. The hundreds of embassies, consulates, and international organizations in the city will help attract delegates and attendees from around the world, while its position as the U.S. capital offers a perfect backdrop for a successful event.

With strong support from across the U.S. and international space communities, IAC 2019 will bring together the dynamic mix of people necessary to make the event a resounding success!



## The Actors Behind the IAC

The IAC is a joint effort between the International Astronautical Federation (IAF) and a local organizer.

The **International Astronautical Federation (IAF)**, alongside its partners the **International Academy of Astronautics (IAA)**, the **International Institute of Space Law (IISL)** and the **Space Generation Advisory Council (SGAC)**, coordinates the overall programme and content of each IAC, and ensures the level of excellency that reflects the **more than 65-year history of the event**.

The local organizing committee or ‘host’, coordinates the logistical elements of the Congress, ensuring that **local space actors and developments, and the local culture and customs** become an integral part of the event.

### American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA)

The American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) is nearly 30,000 engineers and scientists, and 95 corporate members, from 85 countries who are dedicated to advancing the global aerospace profession. The world’s largest aerospace technical society, the Institute convenes forums; publishes books, technical journals, and *Aerospace America*; hosts a collection of 160,000 technical papers; develops and maintains standards; honors and celebrates achievement; and advocates on policy issues. AIAA serves aerospace professionals around the world—who are shaping the future of aerospace—by providing the tools, insights, and collaborative exchanges to advance the state of the art in engineering and science for aviation, space, and defense.

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### International Astronautical Federation (IAF)

Founded in 1951, the International Astronautical Federation is the world’s leading space advocacy organization with over 360 members from 68 countries including all major space agencies, companies, research institutions, universities, space museums, societies and associations worldwide.

Dedicated to “a space-faring world cooperating for the benefit of humanity”, the Federation advances and promotes space cooperation, knowledge and achievements.

Supported by over 40 committees gathering more than 700 world space experts, the IAF coordinates the International Astronautical Congress as well as the Global Space Conferences series, several regional activities, and various programmes for students and young professionals. The Federation also recognises global space achievements through its prestigious international awards.

For more information on the IAF, visit [www.iafastro.org](http://www.iafastro.org)

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## The International Astronautical Congress (IAC)

*The world's premier global space event*

### What is the IAC?

The IAC is the one place and time of the year where all global space actors come together. The event attracts more than 4,000 participants each year.

Covering all space sectors and topics, it offers everyone the latest space information and developments in academia and industry, networking opportunities, contacts and potential partnerships.

Each year, the IAC changes country, theme and local organizer, enabling all to learn more about, and be a part of the world space scene.

### What is the IAC 2019 about?

The theme of the 70<sup>th</sup> IAC is “*Space: The Power of the Past, the Promise of the Future*”. Hosted 21–25 October 2019 in Washington, D.C., by the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics, the event marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of humans walking on the moon. The theme reflects the importance of that milestone for inspiring and motivating global development in space and the advances emerging from international alliances. It also projects that momentum and continuing growth into the future, highlighting the excitement of expanding beyond low Earth orbit to the moon and beyond, mobilizing an increasingly larger global community—from small start-ups to traditional industry, and new countries engaging in space activities for the first time to high school students. Our trajectory for the next 50 years will create innovations and social benefits that are beyond imagination.

For the latest information, visit [www.IAC2019.org](http://www.IAC2019.org) or follow us on Twitter [@IAC2019DC](https://twitter.com/IAC2019DC).



### Who is the IAC for?

- **Scientists, Researchers and Engineers:** Present your latest work during the Technical Sessions and keep up to date on global developments.
- **Agency Officials:** Highlight your latest news, interact with and get feedback from the full range of space stakeholders.
- **Industry Representatives:** Showcase your latest innovations and strike new partnerships.
- **Students and Young Professionals:** A dedicated programme provides you with maximum networking and career development opportunities.
- **Policy-Makers:** See how space services can be the answer to a range of national and international needs and challenges.
- **Astronauts:** Share your experience and vision for space exploration with one of the most heterogeneous audiences world-wide.
- **Press Members:** Hear the latest on space developments and exploration, direct from the world's leading space actors.
- **General Public:** Learn more about the global space community, its science and key actors.
- **Local Organizer:** Attract the global space community and highlight your country's space activities.



### What does it consist of?

#### Technical Programme

Presenting scientific and technological breakthroughs, Technical Sessions, Interactive Presentations and Special Sessions provide the latest advances in space science, research, technology, exploration, regulation and education. More than 2,000 papers are presented annually.

#### Plenary Programme

High-level speakers present the latest trends and insights in space research, technology and exploration. During thematic Plenaries, Highlight Lectures and Late Breaking News sessions, experts discuss and answer questions on the latest space developments.



#### IAF Global Networking Forum (GNF)

A global, comprehensive and appealing platform fostering the interaction and the discussion with small & medium-sized enterprises, R&D institutions, universities and larger organizations through the diversity of its events, tailored according to the stakeholder's needs.

#### Associated and Side Events

Such as the UN/IAF Workshop, the International Platform for Diversity and Equality in Astronautics (IDEA) events, the International Meeting for Members of Parliament (MOP) and the Space Generation Congress (SGC). These complement the diverse IAC programme, covering niche topics or the needs of dedicated stakeholders within the space community.

#### Exhibition

Where all actors of the space sector showcase their latest work, and hold business networking events.

#### Social Programme

Introducing the local space and cultural environment.

### Sponsorship and Exhibition

The IAC is a unique opportunity to be seen, heard and appreciated by one of the biggest and widest space audiences world-wide. There are multiple opportunities to get involved and be visible in the organization or programme of the Congress.

For detailed information on sponsorship opportunities and exhibition at IAC 2019 see [www.iac2019.org](http://www.iac2019.org) or contact Isabella Marchisio, [isabella.marchisio@iafastro.org](mailto:isabella.marchisio@iafastro.org), Chris Semon, [chriss@aiaa.org](mailto:chriss@aiaa.org) and Vickie Singer, [vickies@aiaa.org](mailto:vickies@aiaa.org).

### Registration

Online Registration for IAC 2019 will open on 21 January 2019.

For further information, please visit [www.iac2019.org/registration2019](http://www.iac2019.org/registration2019)

