

## International Space University 29<sup>th</sup> Space Studies Program 2016 hosted by Technion

*Strasbourg, France* – The International Space University (ISU) is proud to announce that the 29<sup>th</sup> annual Space Studies Program (SSP) session will be hosted by the Technion Institute of Technology, Haifa in Israel from **12 July – 01 September 2016**.

This is based upon a unanimous confirmation of the contract signature between both parties as decided in an extraordinary Board of Trustees meeting, which took place on 10 December 2015. At this occasion also all members of the ISU Board expressed the strong support of their respective organizations to this session.

“ISU has a long-standing relationship with Israel in general and Technion in particular. Many participants of Israel were able, also thanks to the Ilan Ramon Fund, to attend the ISU programs previously. It is therefore a genuine pleasure for ISU to further enhance this relationship and convene the SSP16 session in Haifa. It is evident that there will be considerable interest from other countries to discover more closely the amazing hi-tech achievements and cultural richness of the host site” declared Prof. Walter Peeters, President of ISU.

Technion President, Prof. Peretz Lavie stated: "The Technion is proud to host the 29th annual Space Studies Program (SSP) in Haifa. The Technion is one of the first Universities that launched a satellite and has an active space program. We will ensure to turn the 29th program into an exciting event that will allow the participants to experience first-hand Technion scientific achievements, and the beauty and culture of Israel".



The SSP is an intense two-month program which offers the participants a unique and comprehensive professional development experience covering all aspects of space programs and enterprises. Disciplines highlighted include space physical sciences; space engineering; space policy, economics and law; space management and business; space and the humanities; space applications; and human performance in space. This program targets young and seasoned professionals from all disciplines as well as post-graduate university students. The team projects allow participants to refine the topic as a team, and also produce professional quality reports and final presentations, all in the span of a few weeks. Every summer, the SSP takes place in a different location around the world. Recent sessions have convened at the NASA Ames Research Center, Beijing, ETS and HEC Montréal, Quebec. This year this SSP took place in Athens, Ohio.

Further information about the Space Studies Program can be found under:  
[www.isunet.edu/programs/space-studies-program](http://www.isunet.edu/programs/space-studies-program)



The **International Space University**, founded in 1987 in Massachusetts, US and now headquartered in Strasbourg, France, is the world's premier international space education institution. It is supported by major space agencies and aerospace organizations from around the world. The graduate level programs offered by ISU are dedicated to promoting international, interdisciplinary and intercultural cooperation in space activities. ISU offers the Master of Science in Space Studies and Master of Science in Space Management programs at its Central Campus in Strasbourg. Since the summer of 1988, ISU also conducts the highly acclaimed nine-week Space Studies Program at different host institutions in locations spanning the globe. ISU programs are delivered by over 100 ISU faculty members in concert with invited industry and agency experts from institutions around the world. Since its founding, 25 years ago, more than 3700 students from over 100 countries graduated from ISU.

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The **Technion** – Israel Institute of Technology (מכון טכנולוגי לישראל) is a public research university in Haifa, Israel, founded in 1912. The Technikum, as it was known at the time, was the first technical university in the Ottoman Empire. The university offers degrees in science and engineering, and related fields such as architecture, medicine, industrial management and education. It has 18 academic departments and 52 research centers. Since its founding, it has awarded 98,694 degrees and its graduates are cited for providing the skills and education behind the creation, building and development of the State of Israel. In 1984, it established the Asher Space research Institute, and in 2009 its International School. Both institutes will collaborate in hosting SSP16.

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