



GLOBAL SPACE EXPLORATION CONFERENCE (GLEX) 2021

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DESCRIPTION

In 2021, we celebrate the 60th anniversary of Yuri Gagarin's spaceflight - marking the beginning of humankind's spaceflight era.

To highlight this important milestone, the International Astronautical Federation (IAF) (<https://www.iafastro.org/events/global-series-conferences/glex-2021/>) and ROSCOSMOS were organizing the Global Space Exploration Conference (GLEX) 2021 that took place in St. Petersburg, Russian Federation from 14 - 18 June 2021.

The Conference, co-organized by the International Astronautical Federation (IAF) and ROSCOSMOS brought together leaders and decision-makers within the science and human exploration community - engineers, scientists, entrepreneurs, educators, agency representatives, and policymakers. The leaders in the field converged in St. Petersburg to discuss recent results, current challenges, and innovative solutions. The meeting also provided a great opportunity to learn about how space exploration investments provide benefits as well as discuss how those benefits can be increased through thoughtful planning and cooperation.

HOW TO SUBMIT

We would like to point out that the organizers have selected 12 manuscripts to be published in Open Astronomy.

Before submission authors should carefully read the [Instructions for Authors](#). All submissions to the Topical Issue must be made electronically via the Editorial Manager submission and tracking review system: <https://www.editorialmanager.com/astro>.

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The deadline for submissions is **October 31st, 2021**, but individual papers will be reviewed and published online on an ongoing basis.

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