

International Space Elevator Consortium Announces New Membership Drive

Program Aimed at Unifying Space Elevator Community Worldwide, Help Fund Research

Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif. (April 6, 2009) – The International Space Elevator Consortium (ISEC), a new group designed to promote outreach and foster research relating to the construction of an Elevator to Space at the global level, today announced details of its membership program.

Proceeds from membership will be used to further the development of the Space Elevator, such as funding of research and engaging the public at large. According to ISEC, membership is not only designed to help provide funding for research necessary to build a Space Elevator, but as a way to connect people around the world interested in it and to keep them up to date on its progress as well as to provide them with ways they can help in the movement.

“Not only are we looking to make ISEC be the single premier authoritative source on the movement worldwide, but a way to encourage people at all levels – teachers, students, hobbyists and enthusiasts as well as scientists and researchers – in participating in its development,” said Ted Semon, president of ISEC. “This makes us unique among all Space Elevator organizations formed to date.

Several levels of membership are being offered, including standard, student and premium. Membership includes incentives, discounts and member-only activities at ISEC events such as the Space Elevator Conference and Space Elevator games. All members will receive a complimentary subscription to the ISEC E-Journal, the authoritative voice on Space Elevator activities worldwide.

“In addition, we’re providing unique incentives at each level of membership, with collector’s items at the premium levels,” said Semon. “These include an author-autographed collector's edition of the "The New Explorers" CD, as well as presentation copies of the original papers about the Space Elevator signed by their authors, Jerome Pearson and Yuri Artsutanov, the “Fathers of the Space Elevator Movement.”

Headquartered in the greater Los Angeles area, the center of the aerospace industry, the International Space Elevator Consortium (ISEC) is a non-profit organization devoted to the research and construction of an Elevator to Space. For more information please visit www.isec.info.

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