

NEWS ADVISORY – FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

AURP to Host Inaugural Space Day Conference, Salt Lake City, October 21

AURP to feature regional, state and national leaders with a focus on developing innovation clusters on the ground to fuel the global entrepreneurial space economy

Tucson, Arizona, August 11, 2021 – The Association of University Research Parks (AURP), a 35-year global nonprofit membership organization serving university and institutional research park communities and innovation districts, will host its inaugural <u>AURP Space Day</u>, October 21, 2021, in Salt Lake City, UT.

At this hybrid conference, AURP will spotlight **the public and private-sector space industry** with a focus on the growing entrepreneurial dynamism of regional, local and state space hubs, including in Alabama, Arizona, Maryland, New Mexico and Oklahoma.

AURP Space Day – with its theme "Building Space & Aerospace Communities on the Ground" – takes place following AURP's 2021 International Conference (in Salt Lake City, UT, October 18-21), which annually brings together more than 200 research park and innovation district leaders from around the world.

Space Day expert panelists will focus their discussions on:

- Economic Development in Space and on the Ground
- International Space Station: A National Laboratory in Space
- State Space Business Councils Roundtable
- The Private Sector in Space: A Critical Role
- Falcon Hill National Aerospace Research Park
- Drone Technology at Research Parks: Delivering Your Future?

Media are invited to request a press pass to attend AURP Space Day

What: AURP's Inaugural Space Day

When: Thursday, October 21, 2021, 9:30 am - 4:30 pm MST

Where: Hilton Salt Lake City Center, Salt Lake City, UT (hybrid)

Information: https://international.aurp.net/aurp-space-day



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About AURP:

AURP, a not-for-profit international organization with offices in the Washington, DC area at the University of Maryland Discovery District and in Tucson, AZ at the University of Arizona Tech Park, focuses on creating communities of innovation and education for research parks both operating and planned, plus innovation districts, incubators, accelerators and the businesses that support the research park industry. AURP and its global membership promote research, institute-industry relations and innovation districts to foster innovation and to facilitate the transfer of technology from such institutions to the private sector. Learn more: www.aurp.net

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