



# International Moon Day

## 2023 Review and Future Outlook

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# Origins



UNITED NATIONS

Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space

United Nations General Assembly  
76th Session (9 December 2021)  
declares the **International Moon Day**  
to be observed annually every 20th  
of July.

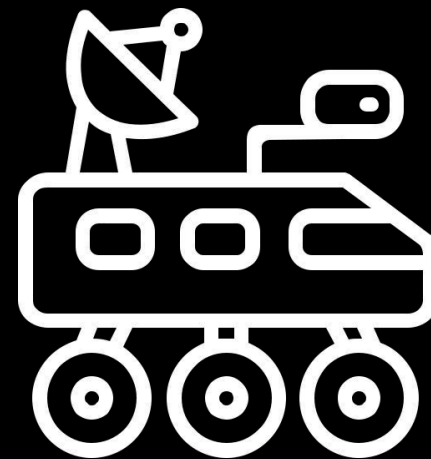


# IMD Celebration Goals

**Public Awareness  
and Promotion**



**Sustainability in  
Moon  
Exploration  
and Utilization**



**Global Cooperation &  
International  
Stakeholders**



# IMD 2024 Theme

## Illuminating the Shadows



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**IMD 2022 Theme**  
Lunar Exploration,  
Coordination, and  
Sustainability

**IMD 2023 Theme**  
Beginning the New  
Lunar Journey for  
Humanity

## International Moon Day 2023

- The Main event was organized on July 20, 2023, in Gwacheon, South Korea, and hosted by the National Science Museum of the Republic of Korea, with sponsorship by Lockheed Martin Corporation.
- 46 Global events were held in 41 countries. These events included lectures, workshops, webinars, and Telerobotics outreach activities as well as panel discussions. Most global events were held within the week of July 20<sup>th</sup>. 2023 registered 42 participating countries, a growth of 55% compared with 2022
- More details in the "2023 International Moon Day Annual Report"

## International Moon Day 2022

- IMD Inaugural Celebration was organized on 20, July 2022, in Huntsville, Alabama, USA. and hosted by the Drake State Community & Technical College, at S.C. O'Neal Sr. Library and Technology Center, with sponsorship by Lockheed Martin Corporation.
- 38 Global Events were held in 23 countries
- More details in the "2022 International Moon Day Annual Report"



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# Tele-robotics Experience

- **NeuroSpace: 14 Participants from 12 countries**
- **PISCES: 5 Participants from 4 countries**
- **Mission Control: 3 Participants from 2 countries**
- **Total: 22 Participants from 15 countries**
- **15 Participants were from Universities and the rest were from other technical groups.**



Pacific International  
Space Center for  
Exploration Systems



MISSION CONTROL



# IMD 2023 Annual Report

For more information go to  
[www.internationalmoonday.org](http://www.internationalmoonday.org)





# Global Events 2024

60+ Countries (anticipated)

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- Global Events IMD 2023
- 41 Participating Countries
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Global Events IMD 2022  
23 Participating Countries



## International Moon Day 2024 Outlook

- Theme for 2024 "Illuminating the shadows": As more missions are destined to the Lunar South Pole, so does the mystery unravel and the shadows will be forever illuminated, thus, paving the way for mankind's exploration and harvesting of the Moon.
- The Main Event to be held on 20 July 2024 will be in Harbin, China. This will be organized in cooperation with Harbin Institute of Technology and the Chinese Society of Astronautics. This event will involve stakeholders from all over the world, online and in person.
- Delegations, Members and Permanent Observers are kindly invited to organize events in their countries to foster global cooperation in the lunar exploration.

Proposals can be filled in, by replying to the call for global events posted in the IMD website:

<https://internationalmoonday.org/call-for-organisers-international-moon-day-imd-2024-g>

# Venue of the Next IMD



International Moon Day 2024  
20 July

Harbin, China

Organized in cooperation with:  
Harbin Institute of Technology and the  
Chinese Society of Astronautics





# MAIN EVENT JULY 20, 2024

## HARBIN CHINA

Organised by



**Harbin Institute  
of Technology**



**Moon Village  
Association**



**Chinese Society of  
Astronautics**



# CALL FOR ORGANISERS IMD 2024 GLOBAL EVENTS

Want to host an IMD 2024 Event  
in your country?

## APPLY NOW



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# Thank You

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