

PRESS RELEASE  
ABOUT THE BEGINNING OF THE DISTANT STAGE OF  
16TH INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SPACE SCHOOL  
"FUTURE SPACE TECHNOLOGIES AND EXPERIMENTS IN SPACE"

On April 5, 2021, the distant stage of the 16-th International Summer Space School "Future Space Technologies and Experiments in Space", dedicated to the 60th anniversary of Yuri Gagarin's flight will start.

The school is organized by the Interuniversity Space Research Department of the Samara National Research University and has been held annually. Since 2003 over 500 young people from 45 countries have taken part in the School.

The School is supported by the Volga Branch of the Russian Academy of Cosmonautics named after K.E. Tsiolkovsky, the International Astronautical Federation represented by the Administrative Committee for Space Universities (SUAC IAF), the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA), and the world association of space universities UNISEC.

505 foreign participants from 18 countries have registered to participate in the 16th School. The largest number of applications (457) were received from Latin American countries (Mexico, Peru, Ecuador, Colombia, Venezuela, Argentina), 26 applications came from European countries (Germany, France, Spain, Bulgaria), 8 applications came from African countries (Tunisia, Nigeria, Ethiopia), 9 applications from India, 2 applications from Indonesia, one each from Afghanistan, Fiji, South Korea. The list of participants is placed on School websites

[http://volgaspace.ru/school\\_cms/](http://volgaspace.ru/school_cms/) and <http://volgaspace.org/school/>

During two weeks, the school participants will get acquainted with the basics of space flight mechanics, the dynamics of nanosatellites movement, make independent calculation work and have testing to check the understanding of the material that you need to know in order to effectively participate in the full-time stage. Based on the results of the distant stage, 40 people will be selected and will receive an invitation to participate in full-time stage, which will take place from August 30 to September 10 in Samara.

The School program includes a special event - Gagarin's Day. From April 12, during the week, School participants will be able to get acquainted with presentations about the first manned flight into space, about Samara University, watch films dedicated to space exploration, get acquainted with the interviews of foreign students and their feedback on studying at the Samara University.

The Head of School, professor



Igor Belokonov