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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Armenia to the Organization of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC) presents its compliments to the Permanent International Secretariat (PERMIS) of the BSEC and has the honor to inform that Armenia will be hosting the sixth edition of STARMUS from 5th to 10th of September, 2022, in Yerevan.

STARMUS is a global festival of science communication and art that brings together the most brilliant minds on the planet aimed inspiring and educating the next generation of explorers and regenerating the spirit of discovery.

Organized with the support of the Government of the Republic of Armenia, this global event among confirmed speakers already has Nobel laureate scientists (including Kip Thorne, Emmanuelle Charpentier, Donna Strickland, Edvard Moser and Michel Mayor), Apollo astronaut Charlie Duke, Chris Hadfield, Charles Bolden and ipod inventor Tony Fadell. More speakers and artists will be announced soon.

The festival details including the list of confirmed speakers and artists are available at www.starmus.com/Armenia. The invitation letter and tentative program of the festival are attached herewith.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Armenia kindly requests the BSEC PERMIS to circulate the current Note Verbal to the BSEC Member States, Observers, SDPs and Related Bodies.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Armenia to the Organization of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the BSEC PERMIS the assurances of its highest consideration.

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PERMANENT INTERNATIONAL SECRETARIAT
OF THE ORGANIZATION
OF THE BLACK SEA ECONOMIC COOPERATION
Istanbul





May, 2022

Invitation Letter

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are kindly inviting you to participate in STARMUS VI Armenia that will be held from September 5th to 10th in Yerevan, Republic of Armenia.

The STARMUS VI festival is a global gathering of world-class scientists, musicians and astronauts conceived as a platform for encouraging science communication and interdisciplinary cooperation.

Among confirmed speakers are Nobel laureate scientists (including Kip Thorne, Emmanuelle Charpentier, Donna Strickland, Edvard Moser and Michel Mayor), Apollo astronaut Charlie Duke, Chris Hadfield, Charles Bolden and ipod inventor Tony Fadell. More speakers and artists will be announced soon.

You can find the list of confirmed speakers and artists at www.starmus.com/Armenia.

The program of the festival is also attached to this invitation letter. (Final program will be set on the web site by mid June.)

To buy tickets for the STARMUS VI festival you should visit the official website special page and buy online at <https://starmus.com/tickets>.

The sixth edition of Starmus will be held in Yerevan, Armenia, from 5th to 10th of September, 2022. Through Starmus camp and close cooperation with several schools and universities, it will involve thousands of students and around 100.00 participants from Armenia and other countries of the region. The fourth edition of Starmus, held in Norway, 2017, attracted about 45.000 participants in a town

with a population of 200.000. *The Sun* has called Starmus “**out-of-this-world festival**”, while many of its participants describe it as a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

During the previous five editions held in Tenerife (Spain), Trondheim (Norway), and Zurich (Switzerland), Starmus Festival has hosted 25 Nobel Prize laureates alongside such eminent speakers as Stephen Hawking, Neil Armstrong, Hans Zimmer, and many others. Starmus Advisory Board is a constellation of prominent scientists, musicians and innovators, such as Brian May, Emmanuelle Charpentier, Jill Tarter, Peter Gabriel and Tony Fadell.

Starmus Festival was founded in 2011 by Garik Israelyan, astrophysicist and rock musician and astronomer Dr. Brian May to bring cutting-edge science to the general public and empower science-lovers with art.

Starmus VI is held in collaboration with the Government of Armenia, the Festival’s general sponsor. The importance of the Festival for Armenia cannot be overstated: not only is it the first ever science festival in Armenia, but also a large-scale event which we are sure will have a long-term positive impact on our country and its younger generation.

We look forward to meeting you in Yerevan.

Please feel free to disseminate information about the STARMUS VI (www.starmus.com/Armenia) festival among your communities and 3-rd parties.

Yours truly,

STARMUS VI ARMENIA

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May, 2022

STARMUS VI ARMENIA Program

September 1st – September 3rd

- Astrophotography School

September 4th

- *Daytime:* STARMUS Science Camp at the Freedom Square opening
- *Afternoon:* Welcome Concert at Karen Demirchyan Sports and Concerts Complex. The launch of the festival will be given by an amazing concert uniting such music stars as Tigran Hamasyan, “Suns of Apollo” band, Rick Wakeman, Derek Sherinian and many others.

September 5th

- *Daytime:* STARMUS Science Camp at the Freedom Square
- *Afternoon:* Official opening of STARMUS VI at Karen Demirchyan Sports and Concerts Complex. The Stephen Hawking Medal for Science Communication Ceremony. Sonic Universe Concert with Armenian National Philharmonic Orchestra, Sons of Apollo band and invited artists.

September 6th – September 8th

- *Daytime:* STARMUS Science Camp at the Freedom Square
- *Afternoon:* Lectures and panel discussions at Karen Demirchyan Sports and Concerts Complex.

September 9th

- *Daytime:* STARMUS Science Camp at the Freedom Square
- *Afternoon:* Lectures and panel discussions at Karen Demirchyan Sports and Concerts Complex. Closing Ceremony and concert.

September 10th

- Free day and excursions.

Tickets are available via website: www.starmus.com/tickets

Ticket includes 5 days full STARMUS program Including lectures, panels, art and concerts starting from 5th till 9th of September.

Welcome Concert on the 4th of September and Astrophotography School are not included in the price.



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STARMUS VI
50 YEARS ON MARS



STARMUS VI

About the Festival

STARMUS is an international festival associated with the names of Steven Hawking, Brian May, Alexei Leonov and other world-renowned artists, scientists and musicians. It was launched in 2011 in Tenerife (Canary Islands, Spain) and later was also organized in Norway and Switzerland.

STARMUS was founded by astrophysicist Garik Israelyan and the legendary guitarist of Queen, astrophysicist Brian May, becoming a platform that unites world-renowned scientists, Nobel prize laureates, astronauts, and the brightest minds of science, art and technology. In the scope of this festival they are sharing their experience, knowledge and the latest inventions with attendees to simplify the process and to inspire more youth and participants to explore the world of science.

STARMUS is the only festival in the world connecting the brilliant minds and Nobel Prize laureates from science, education, technologies, as well as renowned musicians and artists on the same stage to collaborate and to enhance science communication, to popularize it through interdisciplinary cooperation.

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The most prestigious the Stephen Hawking Science Medal awarding ceremony is also one of the key events of the Festival. Named after the greatest scientist of the 20th and early 21st centuries, Stephen Hawking, and sponsored by Starmus, it is an ambitious award which recognizes the merit of popular science on an international level.

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STARMUS VI will be held in Armenia from 5-10 September, 2022 providing an unprecedented opportunity for Armenians to become part of the science and art days, and for participants out of Armenia to explore Armenian scientific and cultural heritage in addition to participation in the festival.

In the scope of the festival series of events such as lectures, forums, scientific round-table discussions, art and music events, scientific camps are to be held in Armenia to showcase the importance of science in our lives and to bring it closer to the young generation.

STARMUS VI Science and Art Festival will be held in Armenia entitled "STARMUS VI. 50 Years on Mars " and will be dedicated to the 50th anniversary of the first soft landing on Mars by mission "Mars 3". Should be highlighted the fact that "Mars 3" took to the Red Planet the "Prop-M" rover designed by the Armenian engineer Alexander Kemurdzhian.

About STARMUS: <https://starmus.com/Armenia>

For tickets: <https://starmus.com/tickets>

Speakers: <https://starmus.com/speakers>

Artists: <https://starmus.com/artists>

Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/starmusfest>



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