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■ Mansoor Abulhoul, UAE Ambassador to the United Kingdom, accepted the award on behalf of EMM during BIS's Reinventing Space event in Westminster, London.

## Mars Mission gets prestigious award

British Interplanetary Society recognises UAE's significant contribution to space exploration

**DUBAI**  
**BY ANGEL TESORERO**  
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The Emirates Mars Mission (EMM) team, led by project director Omran Al Sharaf, were given the International Achievement Award by the British Interplanetary Society (BIS) at the 2020 Sir Arthur Clarke Awards, Sarah Al Amiri, Minister of State for Advanced Technology and Chairwoman of the UAE Space Agency, tweeted on Thursday.

Congratulating the team behind UAE Hope Probe — the first Arab interplanetary mission — Al Amiri said: “EMM

has been awarded on 29 June the International Achievement Award at the 2020 Sir Arthur Clarke Awards, for its success in becoming the fifth nation to reach Mars and for its impact and achievements to date.”

She added in her tweet: “I would like to thank the @BIS\_Spaceflight and the Arthur C. Clarke Foundation for their recognition of EMM's contribution to the space community. The EMM team look forward to furthering their contributions with first datasets due for release on October 2021 #ReinventingSpace2021.”

BIS is the world's longest-established organisation devoted to the international promotion and advancement of astronautics and space exploration. The International Achievement Award is given for “significant or outstanding lifetime achievement or achievements in the year.”