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### New alliance to push UAE space endeavours

Training of future astronauts a key goal of new partnership

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mirati astronaut Sultan → Al Neyadi has announced ■ a strategic partnership between the Museum of the Future and the Mohammad Bin Rashid Space Centre, in a video filmed from the International Space Station.

Announcing the partnership, Al Neyadi said: "This partnership will achieve fresh milestones within the UAE's realms of technology and space, striving for great heights in a country that does not know the word 'impossible'."

The agreement was signed by Salem Humaid Al Marri, director-general of the Mohammed Bin Rashid Space Centre (MBRSC), and Khalfan Belhoul, CEO of Dubai Future Foundation.

#### Various initiatives

Through this collaboration, the Museum of the Future will coordinate various activities and initiatives with MBRSC. highlighting the UAE's endeavours in space exploration and presenting ambitious projects, such as astronaut training for the next generation of future pioneers.

The signing of the agreement was attended by Omar Sultan Al Olama, Minister of State for Artificial Intelligence, Digital Economy and Remote Work Applications and Deputy Managing Director of the Dubai Future Foundation; Hamad Obaid Al Man-

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souri, chairman of the Board of Directors of the MBRSC and Youssef Hamad Al Shaibani, vice-chairman of the Board of Directors of the MBRSC.

#### Collaboration hailed

In April, the museum hosted a live call with astronaut Al Nevadi from the ISS, attracting over 130 local and international media representatives.

MBRSC also announced at the museum the details and objectives of the second mission of the UAE Astronaut Programme in February 2023 and welcomed Hazza Al Mansouri, the first Emirati astronaut.

The collaboration was praised by Al Marri, highlighting the shared vision of making space science accessible and inspiring future generations. Belhoul emphasised the partnership's impact on outer space exploration and improving life on Earth, contributing to the UAE's exceptional achievements in the space sector.



Watch: Sultan Al Nevadi announces the partnership in Dubai from space