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**Object: 2025 IAF Young Space Leaders Grant Recognition Programme Notification Letter**

Dear Dr. Okninski,

I am pleased to inform you that you have been selected as a 2025 IAF Young Space Leader! We received many high-quality nominations for this IAF Recognition Programme. Your accomplishments and contributions to the aerospace community and the Federation were particularly impressive and resulted in your selection for this special honor.

The 2025 IAF Young Space Leaders will be inducted at the 76<sup>th</sup> International Astronautical Congress (IAC) in Sydney, Australia. Your induction will occur during the Closing Ceremony and will be a highlight of the IAC. I also invite you to attend the IAC Gala Dinner as my special guest.

As mentioned in the announcement, the IAF is waiving your IAC registration fee. However, travel expenses to attend the IAC in Sydney will not be provided by the IAF. I have encouraged your nominator to help identify sources of funding.

Please do not hesitate to contact Stefano Pascali ([stefano.pascali@iafastro.org](mailto:stefano.pascali@iafastro.org)) at the IAF Secretariat, should you have any questions concerning the IAC, the induction ceremony, or the Gala Dinner.

Please accept my congratulations on this well-deserved honor.

Best regards,

Clay Mowry  
IAF President