

## **Application for Participation in the ScopeX 2018 SSVI (Sterren Schitteren voor Iedereen) Project**

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### **Application**

Complete the short questionnaire below and submit via email to [lerika@icon.co.za](mailto:lerika@icon.co.za).

1. School or Youth Organisation: name, purpose (e.g. Secondary School), address (if applicable), website (if available)
2. Person representing the School or Youth Organisation for the SSVI Project: name, contact email and cell number
3. Motivation for applying for participation: a couple of paragraphs setting out the motivation for application and the envisaged deployment of the donated telescope.
4. Names of two young delegates to represent the School or Youth Organisation at the Space Quiz at ScopeX on 15 September.

### **Background**

ScopeX 2018 has been very fortunate to be offered the opportunity to establish a project with Jean-Pierre Grootaerd – the founder of Stars Shine for Everyone (Sterren Schitteren Voor Iedereen), [www.ssvi.be](http://www.ssvi.be).

Be sure to read about the background to the donation by downloading the file *Stars Shine for Everyone and Science4Girls* from [www.scopex.co.za](http://www.scopex.co.za)

The project entails finding suitable homes for two telescopes (donated by SSVI) to be available for use by young people.

BRESSER is donating the two telescopes.

The mounts will be made by the ATM group of the Public Observatory Armand Pien in Ghent together with the Department of Physics and Astronomy of Ghent University. The Workgroup Leader of this group is Jean-Pierre and Guy Wauters.

The first telescope will bear the signatures of :

- Rik Van De Walle (Rector of Ghent University)
- Dirk Frimout (first Belgian astronaut)
- Scott Kelly (Nasa astronaut)
- Ewine Van Dishoeck (President IAU)
- Frank De Winne (2nd Belgian astronaut)
- Prof Herwig De Jonghe (Dean faculty Science University Ghent)
- André Kuipers (Dutch astronaut)
- Kees de Jager (Dutch famous astronomer; 97 years young and still very actif)
- Anna Lee Fisher (Nasa astronaut, first mother in space)
- Frank Deboosere (weather forecaster)

And the second telescope will bear the signatures of:

- Samantha Cristoforetti (Italian Astronaut)
- Andrea Mogensen (Danish astronaut)
- Frank De Winne

- Thomas Pesquet (French astronaut)
- Lodewijk van den Berg (Dutch-American astronaut)
- Rik Van De Walle
- prof. Herwig De Jonghe
- Eva Clockaerts (weather forecaster)
- David Dehenauw (weather forecaster)
- Jill Peeters (weather forecaster en founder Climate Without Borders)

### **Approach**

The approach will be for a School or Youth Organisation to:

- submit a short motivation for acquiring a telescope;
- participate, if invited, in the Space Quiz to be run by Sci-Bono at ScopeX 2018.

After assessment of the applications, the School or Youth Organisation will be informed if their application is short-listed, and their two young delegates will be invited to participate in the Space Quiz at ScopeX on 15 September.

### **Responsibility of the Entity chosen for the SSVI Project**

To commit to the intent of the SSVI initiative and to provide feedback to SSVI (via ScopeX) on an annual basis of how the telescope was deployed in support of the intent.

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