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Dr. George Nield Accepts Chairmanship of the Global Spaceport Alliance

ALEXANDRIA – The [Global Spaceport Alliance \(GSA\)](http://www.globalspaceportalliance.com) announces the appointment of Dr. George C. Nield as Chair of the organization. Dr. Nield brings 30 years of leadership and expertise in the spaceflight policy arena. For more than a decade Dr. Nield served as the Associate Administrator for Commercial Space Transportation at the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), and is currently President of Commercial Space Technologies, LLC.

"I am pleased to be part of the GSA mission and look forward to helping to shape and grow this important organization," Dr. Nield said. "The emerging commercial launch industry will increasingly look to commercial facilities to support their activities. I see this expansion not unlike the development of the global airport system of the twentieth century."

In his new role as GSA Chair, Dr. Nield will help to set the agenda for the organization; strategize policy recommendations; advocate for valuable initiatives for the spaceport members; and preside over GSA meetings, including the annual Commercial Spaceport Summit.

"We couldn't be more excited about George taking on this role," said GSA Executive Director, James Causey. His involvement will certainly catapult GSA to a new level of credibility and relevance within the industry."

"Congratulations to the GSA on the selection of its new Chair, Dr. George C. Nield, former Associate Administrator for Commercial Space Transportation at the FAA," said Arturo Machuca, General Manager of Houston Spaceport – a member of the GSA. "Dr. Nield has accumulated tremendous experience in the aerospace sector through his work with the Air Force, NASA, and in the private aerospace industry. Most importantly, Dr. Nield is a hands-on leader with a proven track record of transforming the commercial aerospace business. We all stand to win by having his vision and support readily available to the GSA and its members."

Dr. Nield will preside over the GSA 4th Annual Commercial Spaceport Summit to be held on November 26th in conjunction with the Space Commerce Conference and Exhibition (SpaceCom), November 27-28, at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston, Texas. For information about the GSA and the Commercial Spaceport Summit go to www.globalspaceportalliance.com.

ABOUT THE GLOBAL SPACEPORT ALLIANCE

[The Global Spaceport Alliance \(GSA\)](http://www.globalspaceportalliance.com) was formed in 2015 to develop extensive expertise in people and resources for the growing global commercial spaceport market. GSA provides spaceport stakeholders with the information to develop, fund, build, and operate their facility and to integrate into the developing global spaceport network. It is equipped to provide consulting service in all aspects of the spaceport industry and also provides a forum for connecting the spaceport network with other modes of transportation such as rail, air, maritime, and road. www.globalspaceportalliance.com

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