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Foundation for the Future *Liftoff* with New Event Series for 2024

WHEN: Monthly, Starting Tuesday January 16, 2024

WHERE: <https://www.f4f.space.org/liftoff>

WHAT: Foundation for the Future is re-launching their monthly event series. Titled “*Liftoff!*”, their refreshed Conversations for the Future virtual event series will feature a set of four hosts that together discuss Today’s view of Space and the “wrong stuff”.
Hosts Meredith Garofalo, Inara Tabir, Ubaldo Ciminieri and Daniel Tompkins, with their unique backgrounds and experiences are ready to share with you different aspects of the space industry in today’s world.
They plan to talk about and present you with all sides of a topic so you can make up your own mind about it, while providing the complete picture of life and work in space.
Anyone can register to participate in the zoom or watch live on social media.

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About Foundation for the Future

FOUNDATION FOR THE FUTURE is a 501(c)3 nonprofit that innovatively combines the best of ‘Main Street’ and ‘Wall Street’ to advance America’s future in space. We support the space infrastructure development of the United States in two important ways. Main street development involves the Foundation’s efforts to develop and advocate for new upskilling and workforce development programs throughout the U.S. Wall Street development involves the Foundation’s work to unleash the power of capital markets through the creation of public-private partnerships that enable long-term space investments. Ultimately, the Foundation is dedicated to one simple goal: developing a robust and accessible space industry.

The Foundation For The Future’s Liftoff! Conversations for the Future conference series is designed to broaden the knowledge base among key officials and stakeholders through a wide range of educational activities.



About The Hosts

Meredith Garofalo aka “Rocket Girl” is a regional Murrow award-winning Certified Broadcast Meteorologist and science/space correspondent. She most recently was a Freelance Meteorologist for NY 1 in New York City & the 19 First Alert Weather Team in Cleveland. Meredith was also the 2021 Chair for the AMS Station Scientist Committee. Meredith spends countless hours doing school, career, & motivational talks and podcasts to help encourage women pursuing STEM careers and inspire our future generations. She moderates panels, serves as emcee for events, & conducts interviews to further storytelling on space & science topics.

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Inara Tabir aka “Galaxis Gal” is Inara Tabir is a visionary leader, renowned for her impactful work in various roles, including as the President of the Multiplanetary Society and the Chief Diversity Officer of I24. Focused on human settlement of Space, “I disrupt and connect in order to shape our human future beyond Earth orbit. My blood type is “Force Multiplier”. Pack your bags, we are going to space and we are bringing as many people with us as we can. I focus on bridging the wider public with the space industry in order to promote: (human) migration, exploration, and settlement of space.”

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Ubaldo Ciminieri is a Marketing and Talent Acquisition expert with experience that combines the power of brand building and lead generation with creative candidate sourcing and better hiring process to help build business success by building great teams.

Most recently, he has spent time as a true entrepreneur and leader, co-building a services and technology startup focused on developing new hiring methodology and interviewing technology. “I have been starting my own businesses for the past 20 years, evolving with each experience and bringing everything I’ve learned to each new venture.”

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Daniel Tompkins is an agricultural scientist and owner of GrowMars.

He works on solutions to large scale difficult problems in feeding life on Earth and beyond. 20 years of concurrent work, study, and research of environmental and agricultural science and production.

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