



## **ZIN Technologies, one of most successful NASA contractors, sets up its headquarters in the UAE**

ZIN Technologies, one of the oldest and most successful NASA prime contractors in the industry, is pleased to announce the launch of Zin Aerospace, Ltd. (ZIN-AS), duly incorporated in the Abu Dhabi Global Market, a premier business district in the capitol, to provide Space Flight physical and life science instrument solutions in the UAE..

According to Dr. Carlos Grodsinsky, Director of ZIN-AS and Chief Operating Officer of ZIN Technologies, “Our goal is to complement the *UAE’s world-class national space sector* by supporting sustainable development and promoting *scientific research and innovation* in space sciences and technologies to advance the area’s space commercialization efforts.”

ZIN-AS is a space flight hardware engineering firm developing and operating space flight science instruments on the International Space Station (ISS). ZIN-AS brings decades of Low Earth Orbit (LEO) operational experience and a portfolio of life and physical science technologies to the UAE and the (GCC). ZIN-AS will provide engineering, subject matter expertise, and space hardware system manufacturing capabilities to the UAE and access to LEO scientific operations and instruments. ZIN-AS is partnered with Holding Space AD Limited (HSAD) to coordinate efforts between stakeholders and prospective regional opportunities. By

leveraging international life and physical science collaborations, near term LEO commercialization and science instrument facility offerings, Zin will work with local agencies and the space research centers to attract and promote young Emiratis to become space scientists and technology pioneers-entrepreneurs.

Zin Technologies currently provides the NASA and international crews training on over 85% of the current physical science operations. Zin Aerospace will use these capabilities to provide UAE astronaut utilization opportunities in life and physical science UAE International Space Station operations.

Mr. Preston McIntyre, CEO of Holding Space AD Limited describes how exciting the collaborative strategy is to the regional space sector, “ZIN Technologies decided to launch their first international office in the UAE due to its burgeoning space sector and key interest in the space economy.” HSAD Chair, His Excellency Khalid Seddiq Al Muttawa adds that “ZIN-AS is focused on hitting the ground running to maximise their contribution in the region. As we commemorate the 50th anniversary of the nation, it is a great testament to the leadership of the Emirates in attracting world-class organizations to the UAE.”

Mr. Mark Nichols, Senior Gulf Advisor and Managing Partner of Seabreeze Technologies adds: “Zin has been an incredible partner to work with and has taken the dedicated steps necessary to operate and succeed in the region by setting up a permanent presence in Abu Dhabi. They have an outstanding track record and their broad spectrum of capabilities will exponentially accelerate the growth and development of the UAE Space Program. It’s a clear indication of the ambitions of the region as it diversifies its economy for a sustainable future.

Dr. Carlos Grodsinsky, Director of ZIN-AS and Chief Operating Officer of ZIN Technologies gave some insight as to near term opportunities for ZIN-AS and the UAE, “We have two physical science near term opportunities that we are targeting to operate on the ISS in 2021 with leading complex fluids-soft matter experts in the field and are seeking to launch our UAE collaborations and future science instrument development through this collaboration.”

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