

2026 Young African Space Professionals Award

Reference Letter

Guidance for Referees: Kindly complete this form and provide a reference for the applicant, indicating how long you have known them, in what capacity, and an assessment of their professional, academic, or technical strengths. Your reference should also explain why you recommend the applicant for the 2026 Young African Space Professionals Award, jointly organised by Space in Africa and the African Space Agency, and to be held during the [NewSpace Africa Conference 2026](#), from 20th to 23rd April 2026 in Libreville, Gabon.

Referees are encouraged to describe, in as much detail as possible, the benefits that would accrue from the applicant's participation in NSAC 2026, particularly with respect to the advancement of space activities and capacity development in their country.

Please ensure that your recommendation is **no more than a page** and that the completed form is signed and returned to the applicant no later than **28th February 2026**, the application deadline for the award.

Applicant's Personal Information

Full name	
E-mail address	
Organisation/Institution	
Nationality	

Referee's Information

Full name:

Job title:

Organisation:

Email address:

Work address:

Length of time you have known the applicant:

Professional relationship with the applicant

- Current supervisor/manager
- Former supervisor/manager
- Academic advisor/professor
- Colleague/peer

Other (please specify):

Recommendation Letter

Signature

Date