

ISSI mourns the sudden and untimely passing of

Prof. Dr. Maurizio Falanga

2 February 1969 – 6 March 2025

An internationally renowned astrophysicist, and distinguished professor at the University of Bern, Maurizio Falanga was Director at ISSI since 2021, following 12 years of tenure as ISSI science programme manager. As an esteemed colleague and dear friend, Maurizio devoted his entire career to the advancement of space science and greatly contributed to the successes of the ISSI foundation.

We will forever remember his bright smile and warm personality, always ready to welcome the many visitors passing through ISSI's doors, and his commitment and devotion to the institution. He will be greatly missed and never forgotten.

In honour of Maurizio, we ask to refrain from sending flowers and instead contribute to an educational fund for his children Sophia and Alexander to the following account: International Space Science Institute (ISSI), Bern, IBAN: CH77 0023 5235 9024 8828 0, BIC/SWIFT: UBSWCHZH80A by mentioning "In memoriam Maurizio".

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