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**Application Pack**

**STARLIGHT Pathways**

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1. La Fundación Starlight

One of the purposes of the Starlight Foundation (FS) is to spread the initiative intended to preserve the night sky regarding it as a valuable heritage of our own, in such a manner that mechanisms and actions can be developed for the enjoyment of this asset and to value it as an important scientific, cultural, environmental and tourist resource.

The FS spreads and promotes local, national and international initiatives which favor the protection of this common heritage which is the starred sky and its great scientific and cultural value.

The FS considers the “tourism of the stars” a valuable tool in order to safeguard the custody of the clean skies from all pollution and not only for landscape reasons, of culture and leisure but also as a protection measure for the many species which need the dark sky for their survival.

The FS adds as well the modality “Starlight Pathways” to this movement towards the “Tourism of the Stars” as an efficient mean to spread the protection of the sky, including it in the landscape as an asset in which everything – gea, flora and fauna -, are part and encourage to know better the marvels and mysteries of the Universe.

On the other hand, the Foundation intends, through its WEB, to publish the places certified as Starlight Pathways, being aware that by doing so it is protecting the sky of its environment and spreading a culture which includes the sky and the nature, at the same time disseminating the knowledge and passion for Astronomy.

With this aim, the Foundation will keep a regular information in all the Starlight network about several issues of interest and will provide materials which may be useful.

On the other hand, the Foundation may provide basic training, if required, to the about the use of the observation instruments to be used.

1. Introduction

The Starlight Foundation appreciates your interest in being certified as Starlight® Pathway.

According to the procedure established in order to perform this accreditation, the first step is to fulfill this form in which the following points must be evidenced with documents:

1. The requester has the legal capacity to represent the pathway, likely to be “Starlight Pathway”.
2. The requester, through him the institution he/she represents, adheres formally to the “Starlight Statement of La Palma” and states its intention of complying and promoting the general sustainability principles. \*

*\* The “Statement of La Palma” and the membership model are attached.*

1. Pre-registration form

***Information required \*:***

*\* All the information provided in this form is of exclusive use of the Foundation and of the auditors who, where appropriate, may perform the auditing in view of the certification. The auditors, on their part, make a commitment towards confidentiality which affects all the documentation they may know due to their job. In addition, in the use of all these data, the Foundation submits at every moment to the provisions established in the Organic Law 15/1999, 13 December, of Personal Data Protection (LOPD), to the Royal Decree 1720/2007 which develops it, and remaining associated current legislation.*

**SPACE AND CONTACT DETAILS**

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| **1.**   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **Name of the pathway** |  | | | Address |  | | |  | |  |   **2.** **Name of the individual or legal person applying**   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | Name |  | | | | Address |  | | | | E-mail |  | | | | NIF/CIF |  | |  | | Telephone/fax |  | |  | |  | |  | |   **3.** **Manager**   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | Name |  | | | | Position |  | | | | E-mail |  | | | | Telephone/fax |  | |  | |  | |  | |   **4.** **Person of Contact**   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Name |  | | | Position |  | | | E-mail |  | | | Telephone/ fax |  |  | |

**TYPE OF PATHWAY**

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| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | ***5.* Public or private** |  | | |  | |  | | **6. Geographic location (Autonomous Community/Municipality)**  **(Coordinates UTM and/or longitudes/latitudes**  **of the pathway and extension)** |  | | |  | |  | | **7. Uses of the pathway** |  | | |  | |  |   **8.** **General description**   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Location/Environment |  | | | Points of interest it goes through |  | | | General resources/Services and activities in its path  Security points |  | | | Other (stellar viewpoints…) |  | | |  | |  | | **9.** **Difficulty/categorization of the pathway** |  | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **10.**  **Number of people who visit it (annual estimation)** |  | | | |  | | |  | | | **11.** **Acknowledgements of the pathway** |  | | | |  | | |  | | |  | |  | | |  | |  | | |

**CHARACTERISTICS OF THE SKY, TOURISM AND ASTRONOMY**

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| **12.** **If the proposed pathway is located within a Starlight destination or Reserve**   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Name |  | | | General geographic position  *Country, region* |  | | | Location and limits |  | | |  | |  |   **13.** **Description of the quality of the sky**  Provide all qualitative and quantitative data about the quality of the sky, in different points of the pathway, which the requester has available, after using the systems of measure suggested from the Starlight Foundation. Photographs of the sky can be attached as well which complement these data   |  |  | | --- | --- | | General description |  | | Cloudiness/Clear skies  Darkness  Transparency  Clearness |  | | Current use of the place  Measures of protection of the sky |  | |  |   **14.** **Type of lighting which the pathway has currently available (and indicate the points in which there can be pollution lighting)**   |  | | --- | |  |   **15.** **Names and location (geographic coordinates) of the main cities, tourist centers and other potential sources of lighting pollution:**   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Within a 20km perimeter |  | | | Within a 50km perimeter |  | | |  | |  |   **16.** **Guides which the pathway has available and their specialties (nature, cultural heritage...)**   |  | | --- | |  |   **17. Activities performed currently in the area**   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  | | |  | |  | |  | |  |   **18.** **Activities which could be performed in the future, as a result of being certificate with the seal Starlight.**   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  | | |  | |  |   **19.** **Current resources and facilities for the observation of the stars**   |  |  | | --- | --- | |  |  |   **20. We are interested in receiving basic training on astronomy through the courses the Foundation provides to that end to be able to offer and develop activities of quality of star tourism along the pathway**   |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  |  | | | | |  | |  | | | | **21.** **We are able to contribute proactively in the future creation of a Starlight**  **Destination in the area where the pathway is located** | | | | | | | YES  Describe |  | | | | | | NO  Describe |  | | | | | |  | | | | | **22. In addition to the information mentioned, we can contribute with Starlight in the following ways:**   |  | | --- | |  | | | | |

**CONTRIBUTION TO STARLIGHT**

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | |  |  |   **23. We believe that the involvement in the Starlight Initiative can benefit ourselves in the following manner:**   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Describe briefly: |  | | |  | |  |   **24.** **If it is decided to continue with the Starlight accreditation and to obtain the condition of Starlight Pathway, we would like to be included in the Network of the Foundation and to be mentioned as:**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Describe  (maximum 100 words) |  | | **Name and position:**  **Signature:**  **Place and date:**  I want to receive information about the events and activities of the Starlight Foundation, information about its certifications, news related to the defense of the night sky and publications of the web. Likewise, I accept receiving the newsletter of the Foundation. Otherwise indicate NO:  **© 2015 STARLIGHT INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**:  This document is property of the STARLIGHT Foundation and it is protected by Intellectual and Industrial Property Rights.  . | | | |