

**SpaceReturn///// Membership Package**

## Welcome to **SpaceReturn/////™** The California Space Cluster

We're thrilled to invite you to join **SpaceReturn/////** and become part of North America's first official space cluster—a hub where innovation meets purpose. This membership package outlines our mission, membership benefits, roles within the cluster, and all necessary agreements and commitments.

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### Our Objective

**SpaceReturn/////** is dedicated to advancing space exploration and innovation as a pathway to safeguard and enrich life on Earth. From mitigating risks posed by near-Earth asteroids (e.g., the Chicxulub event) to preparing for solar phenomena (e.g., the Carrington Event) and addressing biological or geopolitical challenges, our work ensures a sustainable and resilient future. By uniting forward-thinking companies, communities, and individuals, we aim to unlock the boundless possibilities of space exploration for all species.

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### The Cluster Model of Collaboration

A cluster is an innovative network that connects businesses, organizations, and individuals committed to advancing space exploration, manufacturing, and community engagement. **SpaceReturn/////** serves as a transformative ecosystem where industries intersect, ideas flourish, and the future of space is shaped.

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### Eligibility

All U.S.-based businesses are eligible to participate in **SpaceReturn/////**. While headquartered in California, the cluster's mission and collaboration opportunities extend nationwide, fostering innovation and advancement across the U.S. space ecosystem.

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**SpaceReturn///// Membership Package****Cluster Pathways**

To effectively serve its stakeholders and achieve its mission, **SpaceReturn/////** is structured into four distinct but interconnected **Pathways**, each with a unique focus and role:

**1. SpaceReturn///// Hub – The Business Consortium**

**Tagline:** *Innovation with Interplanetary Vision*

Focuses on advanced manufacturing, space exploration projects, and compliance initiatives such as CMMC 2.0 and AS9100 certification.

**2. SpaceReturn///// Trade Association – Advocacy & Networking**

**Tagline:** *Advancing Space Together*

Champions policy advocacy, regional partnerships, and networking events, fostering collaboration across the space industry.

**3. SpaceReturn///// Academy – Education & Compliance**

**Tagline:** *Accelerating the Future of Space*

Provides training, compliance guidance, and STEM education programs, empowering a diverse and prepared workforce for the future of space.

**4. SpaceReturn///// The Space Club – Outreach & Engagement**

**Tagline:** *The Space Comm(UNITY)*

A vibrant community for space enthusiasts, local outreach initiatives, and youth engagement programs to inspire the next generation of innovators.

**Membership Roles and Compliance****Trailblazer (Individual, Company, Organization)**

- **Role:** Actively engaged in SpaceReturn///// initiatives, handling projects with sensitive data and advanced manufacturing.
- **Compliance:** Adherence to CMMC 2.0, AS9100, and other relevant industry standards is mandatory.

**SpaceReturn///// Membership Package****Pathfinder (Individual, Company, Organization)**

- **Role:** Advocates or sponsors supporting the mission of SpaceReturn/////.
- **Compliance:** Not required to meet CMMC standards, as they do not handle sensitive information.

**Stargazer (Individual, Company, Organization)**

- **Role:** Enthusiasts and organizations showing public support for the cluster's mission through social, outreach, and educational initiatives.
  - **Compliance:** No compliance requirements, as engagement is limited to non-sensitive activities.
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**Why Join SpaceReturn/////****Impact of Membership**

By joining **SpaceReturn/////**, you're contributing to:

- Advancing technologies to protect Earth from near-Earth objects and cosmic phenomena.
  - Mitigating existential risks like climate change and solar disruptions.
  - Supporting cutting-edge manufacturing and fostering economic growth.
  - Empowering communities with STEM education and workforce opportunities.
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**Membership Benefits**

- **For Trailblazers:** Access to government contracts, funding opportunities, compliance resources, and collaborative projects.
- **For Pathfinders:** Opportunities to advocate for space initiatives, attend networking events, and inspire future generations.
- **For Stargazers:** Access to exclusive events, Space Club activities, and outreach programs designed to engage and inspire.

**SpaceReturn///// Membership Package****Membership Sign-Up Form****Step 1: Select Your Membership Type**

- Individual
- Company
- Organization

**Step 2: Select Your Role**

- Trailblazer – Projects with compliance requirements.
- Pathfinder – Advocacy without compliance requirements.
- Stargazer – Social and outreach engagement.

**Step 3: Choose Your Pathways**

- SpaceReturn///// Hub – *Innovation with Interplanetary Vision*
- SpaceReturn///// Trade Association – *Advancing Space Together*
- SpaceReturn///// Academy – *Accelerating the Future of Space*
- SpaceReturn///// The Space Club – *The Space Comm(UNITY)*

**Step 4: Provide Your Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Organization (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Step 5: Agreement**

I agree to the terms and conditions outlined in the SpaceReturn///// membership package, including compliance as applicable to the selected roles and pathways.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Questions or email your signed agreement to [memberships@spacereturn.org](mailto:memberships@spacereturn.org)

**SpaceReturn///// Membership Package****Legal Disclaimers****1. Data Protection & Compliance**

- Trailblazers must adhere to industry standards such as CMMC 2.0 and AS9100 when participating in sensitive projects.
- SpaceReturn///// does not require compliance from Pathfinders or Stargazers, as information shared is on a need-to-know basis.

**2. Cluster-Nonprofit Interconnection**

- SpaceReturn///// Hub operates as a for-profit business consortium.
- Other divisions (Trade Association, Academy, and The Space Club) operate as nonprofit entities. Revenues generated through the consortium directly fund nonprofit activities.

**3. Intellectual Property**

- Members retain ownership of their IP. Collaboration within the cluster must respect confidentiality agreements, and any shared IP development will be governed by separate agreements.

**4. No Obligation**

- Membership in SpaceReturn///// carries no financial obligation or cost. Compliance and due diligence will be conducted in accordance with local and federal laws.

For more information please visit: [www.spacereturn.org](http://www.spacereturn.org) or email [memberships@spacereturn.org](mailto:memberships@spacereturn.org)