



StarPeace Fact Sheet

StarPeace project is a global special project of IYA2009 aimed at connecting people living on two sides of the land or sea borders of different countries by conducting joint star parties to show that the sky, being the same everywhere, could act as a bridge to join the people of the world regardless of the race, culture or nation they belong to. StarPeace project is made possible by volunteer participation of active amateur astronomical groups around the globe.

This project may be done in all countries with shared border, but they are divided into two categories according to the public star party program. In the first category there are countries which have no free border, so public star party is held in a place near the shared border of the countries so that people of both countries are joined by the sky. The second category includes countries with free border; Amateur astronomy groups of both countries are gathered together in a town near zero-border point in one night to improve their connection by the sky as well as earth.

To cover all countries worldwide, StarPeace project recommends countries limited by their water border to choose a night in cooperation with astronomy groups of other country with the same situations to observe the sky, so that infinity of the sky and freedom of water join their countries. It should be noted that countries limited by their water borders should be geographically near each other so that they can observe the sky simultaneously for some hours.

Founders and executers of the StarPeace project are experienced amateur astronomers.

StarPeace project is organized by the Sky Peace non-profit non-governmental organization and Astronomical Society of Iran. ASI is the organizational node of IYA2009 in Iran.

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"Where I am, let it be so, the sky is mine." Sohrab Sepehri, Iranian Contemporary Poet