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IAA Attributes the 2015 Laurels for Team Achievement Award to Philae Lander Mission

The International Academy of Astronautics (IAA) has attributed the Laurels for Team Achievement Award for 2015 to the Philae Lander team.

The 2015 Laurels for Team Achievement recognizing extraordinary performance and achievement by a team of scientists, engineers and managers in the field of Astronautics, are given to the team of engineers and managers, whose talent, skills and dedication made possible Philae Lander.

The citation reads as follow:

The 2015 Laurels for Team Achievements is given to the team of scientists and engineers whose creativity and expertise made possible the development and operation of Philae Lander which conducted the first-ever successful cometary soft landing, the first cometary surface operations, and the first cometary in-situ science collection. International cooperation and partnership were essential for the success of this remarkable mission. This unique achievement of technology was conducted by:

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