IAU Honorary Member Vadym Zhukov

Nominated by Ukraine

Commercial director of private owned companies, he has since 1993 provided regular technical and financial support for scientific and educational projects at the Astronomical Observatory of the I.I.Mechnikov Odessa National University. Namely, the development of astronomical equipment and telescope upgrade, the creation and operation of the fully automatic observational complex and of the hardware platform for the Ukrainian database (atlas of light curves of artificial space objects), the restoration of the main building of the Mayaki observation station and other projects. He also gives research grants to astronomy students. He partially financed and participated in the development of the automatic video-spectral system at the Astronomy Institute of the National University of Karazin Kharkiv (meteor observation) and in the automatic observation complex at the Institute Mykolaiv Astronomical Observatory at the Vihorlat Observatory (Slovakia).