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Atmosphere of Freedom: 70 Years at the NASA Ames Research Center: 70th Anniversary Edition

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Createspace, United States, 2013. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Anniversary. 254 x 178 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.As the NASA Ames Research Center approached its 70th anniversary in December 2009, there was interest in updating the 60th anniversary history Atmosphere of Freedom: Sixty Years at the NASA Ames Research Center (NASA SP-4314). Much had happened in the decade from 1999 to 2009. Ames stayed focused on its historical mission of basic research and forward-thinking technologies-in information technology, aeronautics, reentry systems, space life sciences, and planetary science. Still, the Center confronted new challenges and new programs emerged. Notable was the growth of astrobiology, the birth and death of nanotechnology, the establishment of the NASA Research Park, the LCROSS mission to the Moon and the Kepler mission to hunt for Earth-sized planets. Perhaps the most important challenge was NASA's Constellation program, a full-bore effort to create a transportation system for human spaceflight to replace the Space Shuttle and return America to the Moon. Furthermore, events of the most recent decade shed new light on parts of NASA Ames legacy. The renewed emphasis on small spacecraft, for example, prompted renewed interest in Ames historical strengths in spacecraft...



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