

THE EU INVESTMENT IN SPACE AFTER 2020

TOWARDS A NEW NARRATIVE STRENGTHENING EUROPE'S INDUSTRIAL LEADERSHIP AND STRATEGIC AUTONOMY IN SPACE?

**WEDNESDAY 17 OCTOBER 2018
17.30-20.00**

**Room ASP 4Q1
EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT**

ACCREDITATION FOR EXTERNAL PARTICIPANTS AT 17.00 (MEETING POINT AT ASP ENTRANCE)

REGISTRATION

BACKGROUND AND ISSUES AT STAKE

Space is a cutting-edge sector at the crossroads of civilian and strategic interests and is requiring in this respect a prospective vision and long-term investments. At a time where international market positions of the European space sector are increasingly challenged by the emergence of new players, investing in state-of-the-art space infrastructures and services is becoming ever more important to support European economy, competitiveness and the autonomy of our continent in space.

Against this background, the Space Strategy for Europe put forward ambitious proposal to boost Europe's industrial leadership. Two years after its adoption, the 2021-2027 Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) and the European Commission's proposal for a regulation "establishing the Space Programme of the Union and the European Agency for the Space Programme" offer now a unique opportunity to turn these ambitions into concrete proposals and actions.

The preparation of the next MFF is taking place while the EU has to address new challenges, with an ever more limited budget. In this respect, stimulating innovative investment and new forms of partnerships with the private sector are key measures supporting the modernisation and efficiency of the EU budget, and maximizing its impact.

By bringing together stakeholders from the EU institutions as well as from the finance and space private sectors, this conference aims first of all at fostering the public debate about the main priorities areas for the EU space policy after 2020 – this provides indeed an important momentum to boost investment in space in support of EU leadership and strategic autonomy. In the meantime, this collective discussion and interaction with the audience also targets to enrich the ongoing institutional reflections on the implementation (and related challenges/opportunities) of innovative access to finance mechanisms for the space sector at EU level – with the underpinning purpose to increase and leverage the total pool of financing for the European space sector.

WELCOME (17.30)

DOMINIQUE RIQUET, MEP AND CHAIR OF THE LONG-TERM INVESTMENT AND REINDUSTRIALISATION INTERGROUP

GUEST KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

ELZBIETA BIENKOWSKA, EUROPEAN COMMISSIONER FOR INTERNAL MARKET, INDUSTRY, ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND SMES

PANEL DISCUSSION

LOWRI EVANS, DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR INTERNAL MARKET, INDUSTRY, ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND SMES

LUIGI PASQUALI, VICE PRESIDENT OF EUROSPACE AND CEO OF TELESPAZIO

SHIVA DUSTDAR, HEAD OF INNOVATION FINANCE ADVISORY AT THE EUROPEAN INVESTMENT BANK

GAËL SÉRANDOUR, HEAD OF DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURES AT THE CAISSE DES DÉPÔTS ET CONSIGNATIONS

JEROEN ROTTEVEEL, CEO OF ISIS AND CHAIR OF SPACE NED

MODERATION ENSURED BY **JEAN-JACQUES TORTORA**, DIRECTOR OF THE EUROPEAN SPACE POLICY INSTITUTE

Q&A SESSION WITH THE AUDIENCE

CONCLUSIVE REMARKS

MONIKA HOHLMEIER, MEP AND CHAIR OF THE SKY & SPACE INTERGROUP

COCKTAIL RECEPTION (19.30)