



Space Working  
Group



## GENERAL INFORMATION

### PROGRAMME

#### 15th European Interparliamentary Space Conference (EISC)

14-15 October 2013

Belgian Senate, Brussels, Belgium

#### **Sunday 13 October 2013**

**Venue** : *Brussels Town Hall, Salle Gothique, Grand Place, 1000 Brussels*

<b>19.00</b>	Walking Dinner hosted by Mr Alain COURTOIS, Senator and First Alderman of the City of Brussels
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#### **Monday 14 October 2013**

**Venue** : *Belgian Senate, Plenary Hall, Place de la Nation 1, 1009 Brussels*

*(Rue de la Loi between numbers 8 en 10)*

<b>9.00</b>	Welcome Coffee and registration
<b>10.00</b>	<b><u>Opening of the 15<sup>th</sup> EISC</u></b> <i>Chair : Mrs Dominique TILMANS, Chairwoman of the Belgian Space Working Group and Chairwoman of the 15<sup>th</sup> EISC</i> Welcome Address by Mrs Sabine de BETHUNE, Chairwoman of the Belgian Senate Opening Address by Mrs Dominique TILMANS, Chairwoman of the Belgian Space Working Group and Chairwoman of the 15th EISC

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#### **Secrétariat – Secretariaat**

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	<p>Adresses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Philippe COURARD, Belgian Deputy Minister for Science Policy</li> <li>- Mr Jean-Jacques DORDAIN, Director General of ESA</li> <li>- Mr Vittorio PRODI, Chair of the Sky and Space Intergroup of the European Parliament</li> <li>- Mr Antonio TAJANI, Vice-President of the European Commission, responsible for Industry and Entrepreneurship (tbc)</li> </ul> <p>Message from the astronauts aboard the ISS</p>
<b>10.45</b>	<p><b><u>Space and Education : How can we enhance the interest of upcoming talents and students towards space studies?</u></b></p> <p><i>Chair : xxx, member of the Belgian Space Working Group</i></p> <p>Panel Debate with young space scientists and young space professionals from the EISC Member States moderated by Dr Kai-Uwe Schrogl, Head of the ESA Policies Department</p>
<b>12.15</b>	<p><b><u>Announcement of the winner of the EISC-ESA "Space for Sustainability" Award</u></b></p> <p>The Award will be presented by the Polish-Belgian-French Trio Presidency</p>
<b>12.30</b>	<p>Buffet Lunch in the Presidential Reception Rooms of the Belgian Senate</p>
<b>14.00</b>	<p><b><u>Prospects and projects for young professionals and students.</u></b></p> <p><i>Chair : Senator Lieve Maes, member of the Belgian Space Working Group</i></p> <p>Debate with space industry representatives moderated by Mr Alain Ratier, Director General of EUMETSAT</p>
<b>15.45</b>	<p><b><u>Closing Address and Conclusions</u></b></p> <p>Conclusions by Mrs. Dominique TILMANS, Chairwoman of the Belgian Space Working Group and Chairwoman of the 15th EISC</p>
<b>16.00</b>	<p>Visit to the Space Education Exhibition in the Peristyle Entrance Hall of the Belgian Senate</p>

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<b>16.15</b>	Family Photo
<b>19.00</b>	Departure by bus from the Bloom Hotel to the dinner, with pick-up at the Belgian Senate
<b>19.30</b>	Official Dinner in the Palais d'Egmont, Place du Petit Sablon 8, 1000 Brussels, hosted by Mrs Dominique TILMANS, Chairwoman of the Belgian Space Working Group and Chairwoman of the 15th EISC (or a member of the Government)
<b>22.00</b>	Return by bus to the Belgian Senate and the Bloom Hotel

**Tuesday 15 October 2013 (for EISC members only)**

**Venue : *Belgian Senate, Plenary Hall, Place de la Nation 1 – 1009 Brussels***

<b>10:00</b>	Welcome Address by Mrs Dominique TILMANS, Chairwoman of the Belgian Space Working Group and Chairwoman of the 15th EISC
<b>10:15</b>	Discussion and Adoption of the Resolution  Appointment of the 2014 Presidency  Final remarks
<b>11:00</b>	Guided Tour of the Belgian Federal Parliament
<b>12:00</b>	Lunch in the Mezzanine Restaurant of the Belgian Federal Parliament
<b>14.00</b>	End of the meeting

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## **VENUE**

The Conference will take place on 14-15 October 2013 in the Belgian Senate, Place de la Nation 1 (Rue de la Loi between 8 and 10), 1009 Brussels.

## **REGISTRATION**

Participants are kindly asked to register via the EISC website :

<http://www.eisc-europa.eu>

The desk to collect the badge will be opened at 9.00 in the Plenary Hall of the Belgian Senate, Place de la Nation 1, 1009 Brussels on Monday 14 October 2013.

All the participants to the meeting shall be provided with an accreditation badge.

## **CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT**

For any information regarding the meeting, please contact :

### **Belgian Senate Space Group**

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## **ACCOMMODATION**

25 single rooms are available for the nights of Sunday 13 and Monday 14 October 2013 in Hotel Bloom, which is located 15 min. by foot from the Federal Parliament and 3 min by tram (tram stop in front of the hotel).

### *Hotel Bloom*

Rue Royale 250  
1210 Brussels - Belgium  
T: +32 (0)2 220 66 11  
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Website : [www.hotelbloom.com](http://www.hotelbloom.com)

Room rate:

€ 125 single room, city tax and breakfast included. (+ unlimited WIFI access)

**To ensure availability of rooms at this preferential rate, rooms should be booked directly with Ms. Nathalie Delanghe (BCD Travel) no later than 1 October 2013**

BCD Travel Groups Department

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Reservations are to be guaranteed by credit card.

### **Booking, price and cancellation policy :**

Availability of rooms and above mentioned rate are guaranteed only until 1 October 2013.

Free cancellation until 1 October 2013. After that, full room payment will be due.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

Please note that the organizers are not providing transportation from/to the airport/train stations or from/to hotels.

The organizers will provide bus transportation from Hotel Bloom and from the Federal Parliament to the Palais d'Egmont and back on Monday, 14 October 2013.

## **VISAS**

You are invited to contact the Belgian Embassy in your country to check whether you need a visa for entry to Belgium.

## **LANGUAGES**

Simultaneous interpretation into English, French, Dutch and German will be provided.  
If participants wish to bring their own interpreter please contact the Meeting secretariat.

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## **WEATHER**

For an updated weather forecast please see: <http://www.weather.com>

## **PARTICIPANTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS**

Participants should inform the Conference secretariat in advance of any special needs (e.g. : wheel chair access, dietary requirements,...)

## **TELEPHONE**

The international dialing code for Belgium is + 32

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