



**14th IAF International Meeting
for
Ministers and Members of Parliaments
Programme**

***Space the Indispensable Ally for
Decision-Makers***

- Sunday 13 October 2024 -

***Aula Consiliare, Pirelli Tower, seat of the Lombardy Region
Council***

*Via Fabio Filzi, 22,
20124, Milan, Italy*



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Sunday, 13 October 2024

The Meeting will take place in the Aula Consiliare of the Pirelli Tower, seat of the Lombardy Regional Council

09:00 Welcome Coffee

09:25 Group Picture

09:30 Welcome Remarks

- **Minister Adolfo Urso**, Minister for Enterprises and Made in Italy, Host Country of the 14th IAF International Meeting for Ministers and Members of Parliaments
- **Clay Mowry**, President, International Astronautical Federation (IAF)
- **Hon. Andrea Mascaretti**, Head, Italian Space Economy Parliamentary Inter-Group, Italian Chamber of Deputies, Host Country of the 14th IAF International Meeting for Ministers and Members of Parliaments
- **Federico Romani**, President of the Council of the Lombardy Region, Host Country of the 14th IAF International Meeting for Ministers and Members of Parliaments
- **Attilio Fontana**, President of the Lombardy Region, Host Country of the 14th IAF International Meeting for Ministers and Members of Parliaments (Waiting for confirmation)
- **Dominique Tilmans**, Special Advisor to the IAF President on Parliamentarian and Ministerial Relations and Master of Ceremony of the 14th IAF MMoP Meeting, International Astronautical Federation (IAF)



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10:15 Session 1: *The sustainability of space activities needs international coordination*

To maximize the benefits of current space applications and innovate new technologies, it is crucial to preserve and protect the outer space environment. This goal requires international coordination and the establishment of standards to ensure safe practices in space. Norms and improved understanding of safe practices in space will allow actors to promulgate new applications to help study, track, understand, and protect planet Earth for future generations.

*Presentation and Moderation by **Teodoro Valente**, President, Italian Space Agency (ASI)*

Interventions by Ministers and Members of Parliaments

- *Minister Erki Keldo, Minister of Economy and Industry of the Republic of Estonia*
- *Hon. Esther Basilia Del Brío González, Economic speaker at the GPP group, Senate of Spain*
- *Hon. Zeynep Yildiz, Member of Parliament, Parliament of Türkiye*

Roundtable Discussion

11:15 Session 2: *Climate Change – Space solutions, the key at all levels: national, regional, urban and rural*

The climate crisis is one of the most important global challenges of our time, impacting ecosystems, economies and societies around the world. Earth observation technology and space solutions play a key role in this effort, providing crucial data to monitor and respond to the impacts of climate change and not only. Global policymakers are increasingly integrating it into their management, whether it is water, energy, the fight against deforestation, air pollution, agriculture, public services, health, etc. Space solutions are valuable help to manage a country a region, a city and develop new business activities



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*Presentation and Moderation by **Simonetta Cheli**, Director of Earth Observation Programmes and Head of ESRIN, European Space Agency (ESA)*

Interventions by Ministers and Members of Parliaments

- *Minister Dimitri Papastergiou, Minister of Digital Governance of Greece*
- *Minister Cecilie Myrseth, Minister of Trade, Industry and Fisheries of Norway*
- *Dr. Anna Christmann, Aerospace Coordinator, Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action of Germany*
- *Ms. Silvija Reinberga, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education and Science of Latvia*
- *Hon. Ans Andersen, Member of Folketinget, Parliament of Denmark*
- *Hon. Lene Westgaard-Halle, Member of Storting, Parliament of Norway*
- *Hon. Marius Humelnicu, Secretary of the Romanian Senate and Member of the Communications, Information Technology and Artificial Intelligence Committee (C-IT&IA Committee), Senate of Romania*

Roundtable Discussion

12:15 Session 3: Risk and Disaster Management – Space solutions, a response in the disaster management cycle helping Decision-Makers

With the rise in extreme natural events, the ability to monitor vast regions, predict weather, and evaluate damage after disasters has become crucial for all administrations. Fortunately, space solutions offer quick and dependable tools to mitigate and prevent such disasters. Therefore, recognizing the vital role of space in risk management and fostering cooperation to access space solutions is now essential for policymakers.

*Presentation and Moderation by **Rodrigo Da Costa**, Executive Director, European Union Agency for the Space Programme (EUSPA)*

Interventions by Ministers and Members of Parliaments



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- *Mr Waldemar Sługocki, Secretary of State and Chairman of the Polish Space Group, Ministry of Economic Development and Technology of Poland*
- *Mr Georgios Komodromos, Permanent Secretary Deputy Ministry of Research, Innovation and Digital Policy of Cyprus*
- *Hon. Claudiu-Marinel Mureşan, Chairman of the Communications, Information Technology and Artificial Intelligence Committee (C-IT&IA Committee), Senate of Romania*

Roundtable Discussion

13:15 Closing Remarks

- ***Hon. Andrea Mascaretti***, Head, Italian Space Economy Parliamentary Inter-Group, Italian Chamber of Deputies, Host Country of the 14th IAF International Meeting for Ministers and Members of Parliaments
- ***Dominique Tilmans***, Special Advisor to the IAF President on Parliamentarian and Ministerial Relations and Master of Ceremony of the 14th IAF MMoP Meeting, International Astronautical Federation (IAF)

13:30 Lunch Break

14:30 14th IAF MMoP Event Press Conference (*upon request by MMoP Participants*)

**19:00 IAF International Meeting for Ministers and Members of Parliaments
Cocktail and Dinner**

***Belvedere Terrace Silvio Berlusconi, Palazzo Regione Lombardia
Entrance: Viale Francesco Restelli 6, 20124 Milan, Italy***



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Monday, 14 October 2024

The IAC 2024 will take place in the MiCo Allianz Convention Centre located in Piazzale Carlo Magno, 1/Gate 16, 20149 Milano MI, Italia

08:30 - 09:15 VIP Gathering

TBD, MiCo Convention Centre (IAC 2024 venue)

09:30 - 11:00 IAC 2024 Opening Ceremony

Gold Hall, MiCo Convention Centre

Reserved VIP Seats for the MMoPs

11:15 - 12:15 Exhibition Opening

Exhibition Area, MiCo Convention Centre

12:30 - 13:30 VIP Luncheon – Tower Lounge, MiCo Convention Centre

13:45 - 15:15 Plenary Event 1: One to One with Heads of Agencies

Auditorium, MiCo Convention Centre

15:15 - 18:00 Free time to visit the Exhibition and attending the IAF GNFs Sessions

18:15 - 19:15 Plenary Event 2: Responsible and Sustainable Space

Exploration: Moon to Mars

Auditorium, MiCo Convention Centre

19:30 - 22:30 IAC 2024 Welcome Reception – MiCo Convention Centre



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Tuesday, 15 October 2024

08:00 - 08:45 Industry Breakfast

Tower Lounge, MiCo Convention Centre

09:00 – 10:00 Plenary Event 3: New Lunar Frontiers: How the Non-Space Industry is Unlocking Future Markets

Auditorium, MiCo Convention Centre

10:00 – 12:30 *Free time to visit the Exhibition and attending the IAF GNFS Sessions and other portions of the IAC 2024 Programme*

12:30 – 13:30 Industry VIP Luncheon – Tower Lounge, MiCo Convention Centre