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13 Quai De Grenelle,
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GNF Morning Session

08:00 – 09:00

Outcome of the ESA Council Meeting at Ministerial Level

The Director General of ESA, Jan Woerner, will be presenting the results and the outcome of the ESA Ministerial Council that took place in Lucerne, Switzerland in December 2016, where important aspects regarding the future of Europe's space activities were discussed.

Speaker:

Johann-Dietrich Woerner
Director General,
European Space Agency (ESA)



GNF Afternoon Session

17:30 – 18:30

A step by step approach to low-cost access to space

Driven by its motto, Gradatim Ferociter or "step by step, ferociously," Blue Origin's incremental development approach builds upon each technical milestone as they develop their reliable, robust, and flexible launch systems. Since November 2015, Blue Origin's New Shepard suborbital vehicle made history by becoming the first rocket to fly to space and successfully return to Earth for a vertical landing. Since then, the exact same rocket has flown four additional times, demonstrating recovery and reusability. Today, Blue Origin will discuss its current projects including the New Glenn orbital launch system which will further enable Blue Origin's vision of millions of people living and working in space, by taking the next step of delivering people and payloads to Earth orbit.

Speaker:

Clayton Mowry
Lead,
Sales, Marketing & Customer Experience,
Blue Origin



18:30 – 19:00

The oG Summit – Shuttle Diplomacy in a New Space Age

At the advent of commercialization of space, the day is not far when nations will galvanise their common humanity in space and unite beyond political boundaries to find innovative solutions for a peaceful world. The presentation will unveil Space Trust's thought leadership to make Space the New Frontier for Peace by engaging world leaders to utilize space as a sustainable tool for peacemaking and conflict resolution on Earth. To that end, Space Trust will convene the inaugural oG Summit on Earth on the sidelines of the UN General Assembly in September 2017 towards oG Summit 2030, in support of the UN Sustainable Development Agenda 2030.

Speaker:

Namira Salim
Founder & Chairperson,
Space Trust



19:00 – 20:00

PROXIMA Mission Presentation

This GNF will invite ESA astronaut Jean-François Clervoy to present Thomas Pesquet's "Proxima" mission aboard the International Space Station. During his six-month flight, Thomas currently works on maintenance of the microgravity research laboratory and runs more than hundred scientific experiments. Jean-Francois Clervoy will also describe the Novespace parabolic flight program used as a complementary zeroG research platform and for astronaut training.

Speaker:

Jean-François Clervoy
Member of the ESA Astronaut Corps &
Chairman of Novespace





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