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### **Expand your business orbit. Don't miss European Space Week 2018!**

**European Space Week 2018** is coming to Marseille on **3-6 December 2018**, with lots to offer everyone that stands to benefit from cutting-edge space-based services in the areas of *Smart Cities, Sustainable Land Management, Interconnectivity, Marine and Maritime, Infrastructure Management, and Security and Defence*. The four days of Europe's No. 1 space event will be packed with interactive sessions and live demonstrations of how Europe's space programmes **Galileo, EGNOS** and **Copernicus** are tackling societal challenges and supporting business growth and efficiency in everything from transport and agriculture to logistics and sustainability.

At the **EU Space Programme Plenary Session** on December 4, leaders from government and industry will discuss how European Satellite Navigation and Earth Observation are making a real difference for the economy, the environment and society as a whole.

#### **European Space Week highlights:**

- Keynote speakers, including European Commissioner E. Bieńkowska, French Minister of Higher Education, Research and Innovation F. Vidal, French Space Agency (CNES) President J-Y. Le Gall, HERE Deutschland Managing Director M. Bültmann, GSA Executive Director C. des Dorides, United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA) Director S. di Pippo, and many more!
- The 5th European Space Solutions conference, with user-driven sessions exploring how space is supporting Smart Cities, Sustainable Land Management, Interconnectivity, Marine and Maritime, Infrastructure Management, and Security and Defence.
- The 2018 'Space Oscars' – the annual Galileo and Copernicus Masters space application idea gala award ceremony;
- An overview of EU Space Programmes' performance and service delivery;
- 2nd European Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) User Consultation Platform;
- The latest from the Copernicus and European GNSS business accelerators.

#### **Linking space to the needs of business and society**

Users of space technology will also have their voices heard throughout the week. At its seven user-driven parallel sessions, the 5th **European Space Solutions** conference will take a look at how European businesses, entrepreneurs and small and medium-sized companies are harnessing the power of space to build the disruptive applications and services needed to tackle pressing challenges facing Europe. Moreover, feedback gathered at the **EGNSS User Consultation Platform** on December 3 will be used to shape the future evolution of the European space programmes.



At the **Investor meet-up** session on December 4, the top-9 start-ups from the Copernicus Start-Up Programme, the European GNSS Accelerator and the French Space Agency (CNES) ecosystem will present their pioneering ideas and investment opportunities.

**Save your seat!**

**Registration for European Space Week 2018 is free, but spaces are limited. [Register today](#)**, and don't miss out on this opportunity to join the discussion at the leading European Union space event connecting business, policy-makers, international experts, and application user communities.

### **About the European GNSS Agency**

As an official European Union Regulatory Agency, the European GNSS Agency (GSA) manages public interests related to European GNSS programmes. The GSA's mission is to support European Union objectives and achieve the highest return on European GNSS investment, in terms of benefits to users and economic growth and competitiveness.