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**13:00 – 14:00**      **Registration and welcome coffee**

**14:00 – 15:00**      **Opening of the first day**

Welcome address, J. Pullicino Orlando, Executive Chairman, MCST

Address of Hon. S. Schembri, Parliamentary Secretary for Financial Services, Digital Economy and Innovation

Address of Hon. C. Abela, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade Promotion

*Enhanced space solutions for emerging policy challenges*, J. Aschbacher, Director of Earth Observation Programmes, ESA

**15:00 – 16:30**      **Addressing root causes of migration through sustainable development. Chair: Prof. E. Bussoletti Univ. Parthenope**

*Refugees and economic migrants: the regulatory framework, observed trends, action of the EU*, M. Cassar, Maltese Commissioner for Refugees

*The Agenda 2030 and the SDG's: indicators, indices, statistics*, J. McGlade, UNEP Chief Scientist

*Building resilience to disasters and conflicts: a science perspective*, T. de Groeve, DG JRC

*EO as tool to achieve SDGs*, B. Ryan, Director of GEO secretariat

*Indicators and EO*, C. Agius, UNGGIM: Europe secretariat

Q&As

**16:30 – 17:00**      **Coffee break**



**17:00 – 18:30**      **Supporting economic development in partner countries. Chair: P. Zeil, Spatial Services**

*Exploring the nexus between humanitarian and development policies*, N. Aquilina, Director General, Global Issues, International Development & Economic Affairs, Ministry for Foreign Affairs

*GMES & Africa as an opportunity for more prosperous and integrated Africa: key innovative benefits from Copernicus data use*, T. Ouattara, GMES & Africa, African Union Commission

*Forests in the Mediterranean for rural development*, N. Picard, Silva Mediterranean secretariat, FAO

*EO in support of economic investments in developing countries*, S. Coulson, Head of Industry Section, ESA and N. Telahigue, Country Programme Manager, International Fund for Agricultural Development

Q&As

**18:30**                **Adjourn**

**19:00 – 22:00**      **Social event**

**28 JUNE 2017**

**08:00 – 8:30**        **Welcome coffee and registration (cont'ed)**

**08:30 – 9:00**        **Opening of the second day**

*EU policies for preserving our environment and space solutions*, J. Drake, Deputy Director General Environment, EC

*The EU Global Strategy, resilience and space*, F. Rivasseau, Special Envoy for Space, European External Action Service

*The regional dimension of European policies*. A. Jaadla, Committee of the Regions

**9:30 – 11:30**        **Neighbourhood and Security policies. Chair: X. Pasco, FRS**



*Space-based support to European Coast Guard functions in the Mediterranean*, L. Bal, EMSA

*Copernicus & Frontex Fusion Services: a situational picture*, D. Vande Ryse, Head of Unit, Situation Centre, FRONTEX

*Copernicus Service for External Action*, P. Legai, Director of EU SatCen

*Contribution of space capabilities to security and defence – an EDA perspective*, C. Stace, Head of Unit Information Superiority, EDA

*A proposal for an EU Defence Research*, P. Brunet, Director Space and Defence, EC

*Technology Developments for Security Observations*, J. Aschbacher, Director of Earth Observation Programmes, ESA

*Space contribution to Maritime Security: from existing services to the very next future*, Brigadier General (ret.) J.P. Serra, Airbus VP for Security and Defense; O. Lemaitre, Director EU Affairs Thales Alenia Space; F. Mastracci, Vice-President of e-GEOS

Q&As

**11:30 – 12:00 Coffee break**

**12:00 – 13:30 Maritime sector and blue growth. Chair: S. Ekwall, DG MARE**

*Untapping the potential of research and innovation in the blue economy*, M. Dalli, Member of the European Parliament

*Towards a Western Mediterranean Strategy*, D. Aquilina, Chairman of Malta Marittima

*Solutions to Prevent and Respond to Marine Pollution from Ships and Offshore Installations*, G. Gonzalez Deogracia, Head of Office, REMPEC

*Copernicus Marine Environment Monitoring Service*, P. Bahurel, CEO of MERCATOR Ocean

Q&As

**13:30 – 14:30 Lunch break**

**14:30 – 16:00 Data revolution and innovation. Chair: M. Facchini, DG GROW**



*A common vision on EO in a Digital Economy*, C. Martinez, Deputy Head of Unit, DG Communications Networks, Content and Technology

*Opportunities for Downstream Applications and SME's*, C. Hoffmann, Managing Director, Geoville

*The EOinnovation Europe Strategy*, H. Laur, Head of Mission Management and Product Quality Division, ESA

*How Earth Observation can empower digital leaders*, C. Linz, Global Head of Center for Digital Leadership, SAP

*Business opportunities from the data revolution: a viewpoint from Kenya*, E. Khamala, Managing Director, Locatelt

Q&As

**16:00 – 16:30**

**Conclusions**

*Plans for the future*, J. Aschbacher, Director of Earth Observation Programmes, ESA and P. Brunet, Director, DG GROW

Closing speech, J. Pullicino Orlando, Executive Chairman, MCST

**16:30**

**End of conference**