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**PRE-EXPO SPACE WEEK**  
**OCTOBER 5 – 6, 2020**  
**AGENDA**



# **DAY 2**

TUESDAY OCTOBER 6, 2020

**Lightning Talks**

9:02 | 16:02

7-minute talks by the Expo family on their approach to space at Expo

**Luxembourg**

9:02 | 16:02

**Marc Serres**

CEO, Luxembourg Space Agency

**UAE University**

9:12 | 16:12

**Dr. Khaled Al Hashemi**

Director, National Space Science and Technology Center (NSSTC)

**Amal Al Ameri**

Software Engineer, National Space Science and Technology Centre (NSSTC)

**David Santos Gil**

Software Engineer, National Space Science and Technology Centre (NSSTC)

**Heyam Alblooshi**

MAIT and Quality Engineer, UAE Space Agency

**Shamma Al Eissae**

Computer Engineer, National Space Science and Technology Centre (NSSTC)

**Expo Live Grantee: Land Life Company**

9:22 | 16:22

**Arnout Asjes**

Chief Technology Officer, Land Life Company

**Italy**

9:32 | 16:32

**Riccardo Fraccaro**

Undersecretary of Italian State to the Presidency of the Council of Ministers with responsibility for the aerospace sector

**Paolo Glisenti**

Commissioner General, Italy, Expo 2020 Dubai

**Maria Cristina De Sanctis**

Principal Investigator of the Ma\_MISS instrument on board of ExoMars mission; Researcher, Institute of Space Astrophysics and Planetology of Rome-based INAF

**Giuseppe Sala**

Head of the Department of Aerospace Science and Technology Department, Politecnico di Milano

**Lorenzo Ghattini**

Aerospace Engineering student, Politecnico di Milano; member of Peer Mentoring program, Cultural and Educational activities, Italy Pavilion Expo 2020 Dubai

**Oman**

9:42 | 16:42

**Ammar Salim Al-Rawahi**

Chairman of Oman Astronomical Society, Director of Astro and Space Technologies at International Emerging Technology Company (ETCO)

**UAE Space Landscape: Panel Discussion**

10:00 | 17:00

**Fatema Al Blooshi (Moderator)**

Senior Associate, Expo 2020 Dubai, Shortlist for the UAE Astronaut Programme

**Omran Sharaf**

Project Director, Emirates Mars Mission (Hope Probe), Mohammed Bin Rashid Space Centre, UAE

**Ilias Fernini**

Vice Director General for Research & Scientific Projects, Sharjah Academy for Astronomy, Space Sciences & Technology

**Fatema Al Hajri**

Vice President, Products & Solutions Engineering, Yahsat

**Fahad Al Mheiri**

Executive Director, Space Sector, UAE Space Agency

**Expo Family Update**

11:00 | 18:00

30-minute presentations by the Expo family on their approach to space at Expo

**Switzerland**

11:00 | 18:00

**Manuel Salchli**

Commissioner General, Switzerland  
Pavilion  
Expo 2020 Dubai

**Dante Larini**

Content Project Manager,  
Switzerland Pavilion Expo 2020  
Dubai

**Emmanuelle David**

Executive Manager, EPFL Space  
Centre (eSpace)

**Russia**

11:30 | 18:30

**Sergey Krikalev**

Executive Director of the State Space Corporation ROSCOSMOS

**Lightning Talks**

12:00 | 19:00

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**Portugal**

12:00 | 19:00

Commercialisation of Space - Constellation for the Atlantic Project

**Ricardo Conde**

President, Portuguese Space Agency - Portugal Space

**South Africa**

12:10 | 19:10

Stimulating Competitiveness, Exports and Trade in The Space Industry

**Nomfuneko Majaja**

Chief Director, Department of Trade, Industry & Competition, South Africa

**Kingdom of Saudi Arabia**

12:20 | 19:20

The Kingdom's journey in space, from 1976 to today

**Dr. Haithem Altwaijry**

Advisor and Aerospace Engineer at the Saudi Space Commission

**Czech Republic**

12:30 | 19:30

**Marcel Frajt**

Vice Chairman, Slovak Organisation for Space Activities (SOSA)

**Sweden**

12:40 | 19:40

The Future of Space Exploration: How can we safely and productively explore new frontiers?

**Mattias Hansson (Moderator)**

Programme and Communications Manager of the  
Swedish Pavilion, Expo 2020 Dubai

**Christer Fuglesang**

Professor at KTH Royal Institute of Technology, fmr.  
ESA Astronaut

**Anna Rathsman**

Director-General, Swedish National Space Agency;  
Chair, ESA Council

**Cecilia Hertz**

Founder and CEO, Umbilical Design, Sweden

**Australia**

12:50 | 19:50

**Anthony Murfett**

Deputy Head, Australian Space Agency

**Women in Space: Panel Discussion**

13:10 | 20:10

**Hind Al Owais (Moderator)**  
Vice President, Participant  
Management, Expo 2020 Dubai

**Dr. Orsolya Ferencz**  
Ministerial Commissioner for Space  
Research, Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
& Trade, Hungary

**Dr. Hala Al Jassar**  
Space and Climate Physics  
Research Group, Kuwait University

**Fatima Al Shamsi**  
Acting Head of Space  
Regulations and Policy,  
UAE Space Agency

**Dr. Michaelyn Thomas**  
Head of Affordability,  
Virgin Orbit

**Ersilia Vaudo**  
Chief Diversity Officer,  
European Space Agency

**Remarks by Simonetta di Pippo**

14:00 | 21:00

Astrophysicist and Director of the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs

**Expo Family Update**

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**United States**

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**James L. Green**  
Chief Scientist, NASA

**Ryan Zeigler**  
Planetary Scientist; Lunar Sample  
Curator, NASA

**Brian C. Odom**  
NASA Chief Historian (Acting), NASA  
HQ History Program Office

**Kevin M. O'Connell**  
Director of the Office of Space Commerce,  
U.S. Department of Commerce

**Wayne R. Monteith**  
Associate Administrator for Commercial Space  
Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration

**Slovenia**

14:30 | 21:30

How investments in space support sustainable economic growth and create value for society

**Mr. Zdravko Počivalšek**  
Minister for Economic  
Development and  
Technology

**Ms. Ajda Cuderman**  
State Secretary at the  
Ministry for Economic  
Development and  
Technology

**Ms. Tanja Permozer**  
Head of the Delegation of  
the Republic of Slovenia to  
the European Space Agency

**Dušan Olaj**  
Founder & CEO, DUOL

**Mag. Matjaž Ivačić**  
Managing Director,  
GeoCodis

**Grega Milčinski**  
CEO, Sinergise

**Dr. Tomaž Rotovnik**  
CEO, SkyLabs

**Tomaž Rodič**  
Director, SPACE-SI

**Matej Balažič**  
CEO, BALMAR

**Andreja Smole**  
Director of Space Segment, Cosylab

**Dr. Jure Knez**  
Co-founder and Technical Director,  
Dewesoft

**Closing Remarks**

15:05 | 22:05

**HE Reem Al Hashimy**

Director General of Expo 2020 Dubai and UAE Minister of State for International Cooperation



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