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GLIC 2015 to discover the major influencing dimensions of entrepreneurship and innovation!

The **International Astronautical Federation (IAF)**, the **German Aerospace Center (DLR)**, the **European Space Agency (ESA)** and the **Bavarian Ministry of Economic Affairs and Media, Energy and Technology** are proud to announce that the **Global Space Innovation Conference – GLIC 2015 (Munich, 23 – 25 June)** programme is now finalized.

The GLIC 2015 programme will bring together start-ups and young enterprises in the space technology and applications sector with space agencies, governmental entities and space industries corporations. For the first time, these two space worlds will come together to discuss and share opinions on cutting-edge research acknowledgements, innovative approaches to technology transfers and, most importantly, financial and non-financial support to new space entrepreneurs.

GLIC 2015 will kick-off with two exciting events: a **SpaceUp** Unconference, dedicated to the younger space generations, where participants will decide the topics, the schedule and the structure of the event and will discuss space innovation; and a **“Global CTO Conversation”** chaired by **Dr. Robie I. Samanta Roy**, Vice President Technology and Innovation at Lockheed Martin Corporation. This panel discussion of distinguished chief technology officers and forward-thinking private and public sector leaders will look at innovation ecosystems and the growing need to accelerate the development of new technologies from lab to products.

The official opening ceremony of GLIC 2015 will see prominent top-level space officials like Minister **Ms. Ilse Aigner**, ESA DG **Prof. Jean-Jacques Dordain**, Chairman of the Executive Board of DLR **Prof. Jan Wörner**, CNES President **Mr. Jean-Yves Le Gall**, and others.

To follow, two keynote lectures given by **Ms. Candace Johnson** President of Europe Online Investments S.A. and **HH Prince Dr. Turki bin Saud bin Mohammad Al Saud**, President of the King Abdulaziz City for Science and Technology (KACST). Over the subsequent 2 days, 6 Panels will benefit from the presence, among others, of **Dr. Francisco Javier Mendieta Jiménez**, Director General of the Agencia Espacial Mexicana (AEM), **Mr. Barry Matsumori**, Senior Vice President, Sales and Business Development of SPACEX, **Mr. John Freisinger**, CEO and President Technology Ventures Cooperation, **Dr. Gale Allen**, Deputy Chief Scientist National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), and **Dr. Devi R. Gnyawali**, Professor of Management and Director of Graduate Programs, Virginia Tech.

More details on the programme are available [here](#).

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