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## IAC 2017 Global Networking Forum

The **International Astronautical Congress (IAC2017)**, held in **Adelaide, Australia** from the **25 – 29 September 2017**, includes an exciting and rich Global Networking Forum (GNF) Programme, touching upon the most recent and hot topics in the space sector. With more than **50 sessions**, the GNF at the IAC2017 will give participants the opportunity to be updated on recent developments and future endeavors of the space sector. This year's GNF at the IAC will cover a number of interesting subjects and will give the floor to small & medium-sized enterprises, R&D institutions, Agencies and larger organizations.

During an exciting **Industry Day**, leading companies will come together to discuss important subjects such as the Space Situational Awareness, Clean Space, the Impact of Constellations and the Reusability of Launch Vehicles. In addition, key players such as **Boeing, Blue Origin, Planet, Airbus** and many more will gather, together with startups and upcoming companies, to discuss the challenges of a new space ecosystem.

Following the **IAF's 3G Principles – generation, gender and geography** – the GNF will also host important discussions throughout the week, on major themes such as disruption, innovation and global partnerships. Not only through the Industry perspective, but also through the involvement of Agencies and Non-Governmental Bodies, "Space 4.0" as well as Technology Transfer and Earth Observation will be discussed by newcomers and recognized experts. Diversity and inclusion of Emerging Countries will also be part of this year's GNF, together with a particular focus on the Asia Pacific Region, with exciting panels on the Australian Astronomy, Australia's Space and Spatial Capability as well as a Chinese overview of the New Generation of Recoverable Satellites.

Either on stage or in the audience, make sure to join the **IAF Global Networking Forum** at the **IAC2017! Meet.Share.Connect.**

For the full list of GNF events, please visit our website <http://www.iafastro.org/events/iac/iac-2017/global-networking-forum/>

Members of the press are invited to save the date, and register to ensure that they receive accreditation. Please send confirmation of your registration to [abed.aldaas@iafastro.org](mailto:abed.aldaas@iafastro.org) so that we can ensure that you are properly accredited.

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