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Space for Integrated Risk Management at GLAC 2018

On Tuesday 22 May 2018, a Plenary on **Space for Integrated Risk Management** will take place from 11:45 - 13:00 at the **Global Space Applications Conference (GLAC) 2018**, in **Montevideo, Uruguay**. The session will offer several examples covering a variety of aspects, such as risk scenarios, security, legal, CBRNe threats, etc. Identifying and mitigating low-probability yet high-impact events can save lives, resources and environmental disruption.

Space technologies can contribute to a range of services as risk analysis, modelling and risk mitigation strategies in many areas helping companies in their decision making. Earth Observation satellite can provide images that can be used for example to detect impact of flooding events or any major disaster; GNSS can be used for tracking the position of people or vehicles that are equipped with a receiver; satellite communication can assist data exchange when terrestrial communication is not available.

Roberta Mugellesi-Dow, Integrated Applications Manager at the European Space Agency (ESA) will moderate the panel of speakers composed by: **Beatrice Barresi**, Applications Engineer, European Space Agency (ESA); **Mercedes Esquivel**, Professor of Aeronautics and Space Law, University of Salvador; **John Horack**, Professor and Neil Armstrong Chair, The Ohio State University – College of Engineering; **Vance Y. Hum**, CEO, I.M. System Group, Inc. (IMSG); **Oleg Ventkovsky**, Director, Yuzhnoye SDO European Representation.

A special keynote will previously be given by **Julio Castillo**, Director of Space Security at the Mexican Space Agency (AEM). The Mexican Space Agency is one of the most recent space agencies established in the world. The involvement of the Mexican Space Agency in the risk management sector within the country, has been a big challenge for AEM in terms of its contribution to the national security. This keynote will demonstrate how Mexico is getting involved in the space sector, including the use of space technology for the integrated risk management.

All Plenary Sessions and Keynotes are on the agenda and available on the [IAF's website](#) - It includes details of the plenaries, plenary speakers and leaders from Space Agencies and Space Industries. As well, the full conference programme is also available on the IAF App. As soon as you join the GLAC event, you will have access to the GLAC programme.

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 media@iafastro.org so that we can ensure that you are properly accredited.

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