



Technology and Skills Development at GLEC 2019

The upcoming Global Conference on Space for Emerging Countries - GLEC 2019 to be held from 24 - 26 April 2019 in Marrakech, Morocco will feature on Thursday 25 a session on 'Technology and Skills Development'.

Given the nascent stage of developing countries in the field of space science and technology, technology and skills development become important success factors for the long-term sustainability of national space programs.

Hence, the consideration of different approaches to such development and the protection of intellectual property is vitally important during the implementation phase of national space programs. The Session focus will be on:

- Grasping the role played by academia in developing the requisite knowledge and skills required for national space programs,
- Contextualising the role of government in supporting the implementation of national space programs,
- Understanding the cooperation modalities among the key players involved in skills and technology development.

The first part of the session will feature a Keynote Address from 09:30 - 09:40 from **Juan de Dalmau**, President of the International Space University (ISU).

Rania Toukebri, National Point of Contact for Tunisia of the Space Generation Advisory Council (SGAC) will moderate Plenary 3 from 09:40 - 11:00 and welcome as speakers **Abdelaziz Benjouad**, Vice President for Research & Development, International University of Rabat, **Jörg Feustel-Büechl**, Space Consultant, **Otto Koudelka**, Head of the Institute of Communications Network & Satellite Communications, Graz University of Technology (TU Graz), **Amal Layachi**, Head of Capacity Building Department, Royal Centre for Remote Sensing (CRTS), **Pierluigi Mancini**, NAVISP Programme Manager, European Space Agency (ESA), **Aimin Niu**, Programme Officer of the Space Application Section, United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA), **Tidiane Ouattara**, Space Science Expert and GMES & Africa Program Coordinator, African Union Commission, **Robert van Zyl**, Director of Amaya Space, Cape Peninsula University of Technology, and **Carlo Viberti**, Director, SpaceLand Africa.

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