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Celebrations of the 25th Anniversary of Copernicus

8 June 2023

Stockholm

9.00-13.00 CEST

AGENDA



25TH ANNIVERSARY
OF COPERNICUS

09.00-09.30

WELCOME ADDRESSES

The welcome addresses will shed light on the institutional and political importance of Copernicus.



Maria Nilsson

State Secretary, Swedish Ministry of Education and Research



Thierry Breton

European Commissioner for internal market, European Commission

09.30-10.00

COPERNICUS: A EUROPEAN SUCCESS STORY IN SPACE

This first panel discussion will aim to reflect on the quarter of a century of Copernicus and underline its big achievements from different institutional points of view and share feedback on experience dealing with Copernicus.



Timo Pesonen

Director-General, Directorate General for Defence industry and Space, European Commission



Josef Aschbacher

Director-General, European Space Agency



Anna Rathsman

Director-General, Swedish National Space Agency



Phil Evans

Director, European Organisation for the Exploitation of Meteorological Satellites



Salla Saastamoinen

Deputy Director-General for the Joint Research Centre, European Commission



10.00-12.30

COPERNICUS, EUROPE'S EYES ON EARTH – DELIVERING SOLUTIONS TO USERS

This part will focus on user testimonials and will feature four panel discussions live from different locations across Europe (Bologna, Brussels, Stockholm, Toulouse), highlighting the usefulness of Copernicus to protect the planet and its inhabitants.

10.00-10.10

Keynote Intervention



Paraskevi Papantoniou

Acting Director for Space, Directorate
General for Defence Industry and
Space, European Commission

10.10-10.35

“Seas and Oceans”

Panel discussion with participants:



Thomas Lesage

Founder, Children for the Oceans



Virginie Lafon

President, I-SEA



Craig Donlon

Head, Earth Surfaces and
Interior Section, Earth and
Mission Science Division,
European Space Agency



10.35-11.00

“Land”

Panel discussion with participants:



Camilla Jonsson

Remote sensing expert, Swedish
Environmental Protection Agency



Thierry Cotelle

President, NEREUS

11.00-11.30

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11.30-11.55

“Disaster Management”

This panel discussion will highlight how Copernicus helps civil protection authorities and humanitarian agencies in battling emergency situations and saving lives all around the globe. To attest of this, a panel of users relying on Copernicus Emergency Management Service will share their experience.

Panel discussion with participants:



Isabel Montoya Montes

Representative, Canary Islands
Delegation of the Geological and
Mining Institute of Spain



Igor Magdalenić

President, Croatian Crisis
Management Association



Olimpia Imperiali

Deputy team leader, Directorate
General for European Civil
Protection & Humanitarian Aid
Operations, European Commission

11.55-12.20

“Climate, air quality and health”

This panel discussion of the user session will be dedicated to the role of Copernicus in monitoring air quality and other variables to measure and mitigate climate change with speakers live from Bologna. It will be an opportunity to underline the role of Copernicus in understanding the impacts of a changing climate, and air quality, on the health of people in Europe and worldwide.

Panel discussion with participants :



Mark Parrington

Senior Scientist, Copernicus
Atmosphere Monitoring Service,
European Centre for Medium-
Range Weather Forecasts



Francesca di Donato

Environmental Epidemiologist,
Department of Epidemiology of
the Lazio Regional Health Service



Susanna Corti

Director of Research, Italian
National Research Council –
Institute of Atmospheric
Sciences and Climate

12.20-12.30

Keynote Intervention



Simonetta Cheli

Director of Earth Observation
Programmes and Head of ESRIN,
European Space Agency



12.30-12.55

FOCUS SESSION: COPERNICUS DATA FUELLING BUSINESS & INNOVATION IN EUROPE

This session will underline how Copernicus drives innovation in Europe and enable sizable economic benefits in a whole range of sectors.

Panel discussion with participants:



Catherine Kavvada

Director for Innovation & Outreach, Directorate General for Defence Industry and Space, European Commission



Rodrigo da Costa

Executive Director, European Union Agency for the Space Programme



Cecilia Hertz

Founder and CEO, Umbilical design, and Co-founder of International Space Asset Acceleration Company

12.55-13.00

Concluding remarks

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Solna, Stockholm, Sweden





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