## The European Space Expo is coming to Ljubljana between the 6th and 15th of March 2015, and we would like to invite your organisation to participate.

In March 2015, Ljubljana will play host to the European Space Expo (6th to 15th) the travelling exhibition organised by the European Commission to raise awareness of European Space programmes amongst the general public.

The European Space Expo will showcase the Space-based services and applications made possible by the EU flagship Space programmes EGNOS, Galileo and Copernicus (<u>http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/policies/space/expo/index\_en.htm</u>) to the general public. The attached presentation provides an overview of the media and technologies available to visitors at the European Space Expo.

Ljubljana will be the 23rd stop of this travelling exhibition that has been visited so far by over 500.000 European citizens around Europe. Only recently, the exhibition attracted close to 34.000 visitors in Genova and 31.000 in Prague. A video of the Space Expo in action is available here: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FjmIUQAU5Jw</u>

Our company, SpaceTec Partners, together with FDC, has a contract with the European Commission to support the organisation of the European Space Expo.

We are organising a programme of speakers to deliver short accessible presentations to the general public throughout the 10 days of the Ljubljana Space Expo. The aim is to highlight the wide range of innovative technologies and services that Space offers to European citizens, especially as related to:

- Galileo and Copernicus (and their downstream applications)
- Space science (exploration, Space Situational Awareness, etc.)

There will be (at minimum) three speaker slots per day, making a total of 27 over the course of the event.

We are reaching out to you in order to:

• Invite you to speak at the European Space Expo in Ljubljana. If you are interested in accepting this invitation, please reply specifying the title and theme of your presentation (max. 5 lines) and your preferred slot. We are particularly interested in obtaining more speakers for Galileo-related topics, and we hope that you might be able to support us in this regard.

## We would request that your presentation be delivered in Slovenian.

The currently available speaker slots are on the following days (this may be subject to change):

Sun 08/03/2015: 18.00 Tue 10/03/2015: 18.30 Fri 13/03/2015: 18.00 - 18.30 Sat 14/03/2015: 17.30 - 18.00 - 18.30 Sun 15/03/2015: 17.30 - 18.00 - 18.30

(Note: It is important to bear in mind that your audience will consist of the people present at the Expo at the time of the talk. Depending on the attendance, the audience could consist of a rather small group or of a larger audience of up to 40 or 50 people.)

• Invite your recommendations on who we could invite to speak at the Expo. We would welcome your assistance in directing us to colleagues in your organisation (or in others) who

could participate in the speaker's programme. We would appreciate having one or more contact points with whom we can follow up.

Should you have any other queries or practical questions, do not hesitate to contact me on the address mentioned below.

My colleagues Stephane Ourevitch and Sarah McGill are also involved with the organisation of the Expo within SpaceTec Partners, and I would kindly request that they be kept in copy of your response.

## I look forward to reading your response and to welcoming you to the European Space Expo!

Warm regards Dimitri

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