

**Fourth edition of the East-European Copernicus conference, 1-2  
October 2015, Bucharest**

**Draft Agenda**

1-2 October 2015

Parliament building, Human Rights Hall

**First Day: 1 October 2015**

**09:30-10:00 Registration**

**10:00-10:30 Opening session (Chair: ROSA)**

Marius-IoanPiso, President & CEO Romanian Space Agency

Valerian Vreme, Romanian Parliament Chamber of Deputies

SorinCampeanu, Ministry of Education and Scientific Research

Josef Aschbacher,European Space Agency

TBD, European Commission

Stefaan de Mey, Eurisy

**10:30-11:00 Keynote presentation**

Copernicus: how big data will foster innovative ideas in the area of environment and society. MihaiDatcu

**11.00 -11.30 Coffee break**

**11:30-12:30Copernicus Program status (Chair: ROSA)**

The current status of the space and services components of the Copernicus program will be presented, complemented by a look at the in-situ activities. The evolution from research and scientific results to pre-operational and fully operational services, as well as current tendencies for the evolution of Copernicus will be addressed.

Speakers: TBC, European Commission, Thomas Beer, European Space Agency, Hans Dufourmont, EEA.

**12.30 – 14.00 Lunch break**

**14:00-15:00 Focus on Copernicus achievements: Climate change (Chair: ESA)**

The session will provide a snapshot of where we stand in the area of mitigating climate change, an important Copernicus objective. Relevant activities managed by ESA and the European Commission will be highlighted and the audience will learn about specific hardware tools developed in Romania and benefitting especially this domain.

Speakers: TBD, Mark Doherty European Space Agency; Bernard Pinty, JRC/European Commission. Doina Nicolae, National Institute for Optoelectronics - Romania

**15.00 -15.30 Coffee break**

**15.30-17:00 Regional Copernicus activities and their potential for cooperation**

Representatives of relevant public and private organizations will brief the audience about significant results of their activities in which EO data is used to support environment and security policy actions, opening the same time ways for future cooperation.

Presentations:

EO satellite and in-situ data for nature conservation. Alexandru Badea, Romanian Space Agency.

Sentinel data applications in agriculture. Mircea Grosu, C-S Romania.

The ESA App Camps : opportunities for app developers turning entrepreneurs. Thomas Beer, European Space Agency.

Synergies of European GNSS and Copernicus. Reinhard Biasi, GNSS Supervisory Authority

### **17:00 First day conclusions**

## **Second Day: 2 October 2015**

### **09:30-10:15 Copernicus Data access (Chair: Eurisy)**

This session will start with a presentation of the status of access to Sentinel data, including those of Sentinel-2A. Two Sentinels are meanwhile in orbit. Sentinel-2A was successfully launched in June 2015 and the resulting data flow is available to be tapped by all users, free of charge. The session will also highlight the latest on access to data from the Copernicus Contributing Missions and from the Copernicus Services.

Speakers: Bianca Hoersch, European Space Agency. TBC, European Commission.

### **10.15 – 10.45 Coffee break**

### **10:45-12:45 The impact of Big Data on the Danube strategy implementation.**

**Moderator: Teodora Secara, User Programme Coordinator, Eurisy**

The EU strategy for the Danube Region Strategy (EUSDR) emphasizes that climate change threats are best tackled through cross-border efforts. The current wealth of available data makes the potential for cooperation better than ever before. This round table will discuss current challenges in the implementation of EUSDR; data sources and accessibility; the existing and potential applications in the Danube region.

Panelists: experts from the public and private sectors concerned with Danube issues

**12:45 - 13:00 Closing session and adoption of Bucharest 2015. Conclusions**