

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location

Palais des Congrès d'Arcachon
Boulevard Veyrier Montagnères
33120 Arcachon – France
(3/4 hour drive from Bordeaux International Airport)

Arcachon

Arcachon in May should be terrific!

The conference center is second to none. Located on the beach of the Arcachon Bay, there you will profit by famous oysters, world known Bordeaux wine, and all possibilities of local entertainment.

<http://congres.arcachon.com>

Secretariat

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CALL FOR PAPERS

Conference objectives :

The Symposium aims at addressing all topics related to the "Space Transportation of Passengers on a Commercial Basis".

The overall goal is to identify and quantify the key topics associated to Private Manned Access to Space for both Orbital and Sub-orbital missions:

- The Symposium will deal with the major technical features of the conceivable solutions, providing the participants with a good understanding of the technical credibility of the currently on-going proposals,
- The Symposium will address the legal, regulatory and insurance aspects, on both certification and safety aspects of commercial manned space flight; current limitations will be identified and future actions will be proposed,
- The Symposium will deal with the financial aspects associated to the development of Private Access to Space, mainly in terms of overall evaluation of development cost, the operational costs, associated business plans and financing schemes,
- The Symposium will identify the motivations of the potential customers in order to consolidate the foreseen market, and associated customers requirements linked to this new branch of Access to Space,
- The Symposium will deal with the constraints associated to manned flights in the frame of commercial initiatives, mainly the physiological aspects, psychological ones, and ergonomic constraints,

- The Symposium will deal with ground infrastructures, future spaceports, space tourism bases together with associated services such as side activities, entertainment.

<http://www.iaaweb.org/>

A PLACE FOR EXCHANGES AND NETWORKING

The International Academy for Astronautics has the ambition of making this Symposium a key focal point for all partners interested in the subject, researchers, industrials, entrepreneurs, space companies, agencies, universities, government representatives, associations, academies...

The conference will propose outstanding communications on all those topics, but will also reserve time for networking and fruitful exchange among all delegates.

A special attention will be given to students in order to guarantee presence of fresh blood who will undertake in near future the dreams of older sceptics...

TOWARDS A POSITION PAPER

The International Academy of Astronautics IAA has undertaken the preparation of a Position Paper related to "Private Manned Access to Space". Commission III (Space Technology and System Development) and Commission V (Space Policy, Legal and Economic Aspects) have tasked a dedicated Study Group to fulfil this action: your exchanges and presentations during the conference will serve this project.

Language

Papers will be presented in English. Simultaneous translation facilities will not be available.

Exhibition

Please note that a significant exhibit can be organized in the main lobby of the conference center.

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IAA is calling for outstanding papers to be presented during that conference. Please respect the deadline for providing your abstracts to the conference secretary.

Deadline for abstracts submission is
January 15th, 2008

This notification will be accompanied by detailed instructions allowing selected authors to prepare and send to the secretariat their full paper.

– Programme and registration form distribution: April, 2008

Instructions for your abstract

Your abstract in english should precise your coordinates, title of your conference, and should be of roughly one page (# 500 words). Preferred format Word or pdf.

The abstracts should be sent to:

E-mail : jfb@avantage-aquitaine.com

All the papers and presentations will be distributed to all registered participants shortly after the Symposium.

Key dates

– Notification

The Programme Committee will notify all authors of its decision in February 2008.