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CONFERENCE PROGRAM

The conference is held under the auspices of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, Jan Lipavský; President of the Czech Republic, Petr Pavel; Minister of Transport of the Czech Republic, Martin Kupka; and Minister of Defence of the Czech Republic, Jana Černochová.

SUNDAY, 15 JUNE 2025

Venue: Golden Well Restaurant, U Zlaté Studně 166/4, 118 00 Prague 1

18:00–20:00 **OPENING RECEPTION** (by invitation only)
Rodrigo da Costa, Executive Director, EU Agency for the Space Programme (EUSPA)
Introduced By: Roger W. Robinson Jr., Chairman and Co-Founder,
Prague Security Studies Institute (PSSI)

MONDAY, 16 JUNE 2025

Venue: The Czernin Palace, The Seat of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic,
Loretánské nám. 5, 118 00 Prague 1 – Hradčany

7:30–8:00 **COFFEE AND REGISTRATION**

8:00–8:05 **CONFERENCE OPENING**
Roger W. Robinson Jr., Chairman and Co-Founder, Prague Security Studies Institute (PSSI)

8:05–9:20 **PANEL 1: UPDATES ON SPACE DOMAIN AWARENESS AND THREAT MITIGATION**
Moderator: Peter Hays, Adjunct Professor, Space Policy and International Affairs, George Washington University
Speakers:
Pascal Faucher, Chairman, EU SST, Defense and Security, Centre national d'études spatiales (CNES)
Paul Graziani, Chief Executive Officer, COMSPOC
John Huth, Chief, Space & Counterspace, Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA)
Holmes Liao, Senior Advisor, Taiwan Space Agency (TASA)

9:20–9:35 **WELCOME REMARKS:**
Jan Lipavský, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic
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9:35–9:55 **COFFEE BREAK**



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- 9:55–11:10 **PANEL 2: ALLIED SPACE SECURITY PRIORITIES IN A NEW TRANSATLANTIC SETTING**
Moderator: Peggy Hollinger, Space Industry Editor, Financial Times (FT)
Speakers:
Tony Frazier, Chief Executive Officer, LeoLabs
Regina Peldszus, Policy Officer, European External Action Service (EEAS)
Janice Starzyk, Acting Director, Office of Space Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), U.S. Department of Commerce
Kazuto Suzuki, Professor, Graduate School of Public Policy of Science and Technology, University of Tokyo; Director, Institute of Geoeconomics, International House of Japan
- 11:15–12:30 **SPECIAL PANEL: ANNUAL UPDATE ON MILITARY PARTNERSHIPS**
Moderator: Jan Jireš, Director General, Defence Policy and Strategy Division, Ministry of Defence of the Czech Republic
Speakers:
Brig. Gen. Marcin Górka, Director, Department of Innovation, Polish Ministry of National Defence of the Republic of Poland
Lt. Gen. Thomas L. James, Deputy Commander, U.S. Space Command
Maj. Gen. Michael Traut, Commander, German Space Command
- 12:30–13:30 **BUFFET LUNCHEON**
- 13:35–13:55 **SPECIAL GUEST:**
Jun Kazeki, Director General, National Space Policy Secretariat, Japan Prime Minister's Office
Introduced by: Scott Pace, Director, Space Policy Institute, Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University
- 13:55–15:10 **PANEL 3: SECURITY DIMENSIONS OF BURGEONING SPACE ECONOMY**
Moderator: Deganit Paikowsky, Senior Lecturer, Department of International Relations, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Speakers:
Phil Carrai, President, Space, Training & Cybersecurity Division, Kratos Defense & Security Solutions
Namrata Goswami, Professor, Johns Hopkins University
Václav Kobera, Director, ITS and Space Activities, Research, Development and Innovations Department, Ministry of Transport of the Czech Republic
Christophe Morand, Senior Advisor for Security Information and Synergies between Space, Defence and Civil Industries, Directorate-General for Defence Industry and Space (DG DEFIS), European Commission
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PANEL 4: IMPLICATIONS OF ALLIED FUNDING OF THE AUTHORITARIAN SPACE POWERS

Moderator: Juliana Süß, Associate, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP)

Speakers:

Kari Bingen, Director, Aerospace Security Project, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)

Sangho Kim, Vice President, International Cooperation Division, The Korean Academy of Space Security (KASS)

Yuka Kobayashi, Associate Professor, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London; British Academy Fellow, German Council for Foreign Relations (DGAP)

Christian-Marc Lifländer, Head, Defence Policy Section, Defence Policy and Planning Division, NATO HQ

19:15

Venue:

GALA DINNER (by personalized invitation only)

Mlýnec Restaurant, Novotného lávka 9, 110 00 Prague 1 – Old Town Prague

Maj. Gen. Gregory J. Gagnon, Deputy Chief, Space Operations for Intelligence, U.S. Space Force

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8:00–8:30 **COFFEE AND REGISTRATION**

8:30–8:50 **OPENING SESSION**

Martin Kupka, Minister of Transport of the Czech Republic

Introduced by: Jana Robinson, Managing Director, Prague Security Studies Institute (PSSI)

8:50–10:05 **PANEL 5: WHAT IS TO BE DONE? – PUBLIC SECTOR LEADERSHIP**

Moderator: Hermann Ludwig Moeller, Director, European Space Policy Institute (ESPI)

Speakers:

Rodrigo da Costa, Executive Director, EU Agency for the Space Programme (EUSPA)

Lt. Col. Caitlin B. Diffley, Deputy Chief of Staff and Chief of Innovation Branch, NATO Combined Force Space Component Command

Isabelle Duvaux-Bechon, Senior Adviser for Strategy/Security, European Space Agency (ESA)

Deanna L. Ryals, Director of Space International Affairs, Office of the Deputy Under Secretary, Air Force for International Affairs (SAF/IA)

10:05–10:30 **COFFEE BREAK**

10:30–11:45 **PANEL 6: WHAT IS TO BE DONE? – PRIVATE SECTOR CAPABILITIES**

Moderator: Kevin O'Connell, Former Director of the Office of Space Commerce, U.S. Department of Commerce; Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Space Economy Rising, LLC

Speakers:

Petr Boháček, Co-Owner, TRL Space

Tomotaka Ishikawa, President Associate, Strategy & Business Development, IHI Aerospace

Peter Marquez, Head of Policy for Global Security, Government & Aerospace, Amazon Web Services (AWS)

11:45–12:00 **CLOSING REMARKS**

12:00–14:00 **CLOSING LUNCHEON**

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