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## 14<sup>th</sup> IAF International Meeting for Ministers and Members of Parliaments *“Space the Indispensable Ally for Decision-Makers”*

**Object:** Letter of Invitation to attend the IAF International Meeting for Ministers and Members of Parliaments in Milan (Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2024)

Dear Min. Riisalo,

It is with great pleasure that we extend to you an invitation to participate in the International Astronautical Federation’s International Meeting for Ministers and Members of Parliaments (MMoP) scheduled to take place on **Sunday 13 October 2024**, in Milan, Italy, preceding the **75<sup>th</sup> International Astronautical Congress (IAC)**.

The IAF MMoP meeting this year will be organized in cooperation with the Italian Space Agency and the Italian Space Economy Parliamentary Inter-Group. It will be held in the beautiful Aula Consiliare of Grattacielo Pirelli where the Lombardy Regional Council holds its regular meetings.

The IAF MMoP Meeting is a unique meeting, inviting Ministers and members of Parliaments from around the world to present their nations’ space initiatives. Ministers will provide valuable insights on their countries’ space strategy, while Parliamentarians will engage in discussions on relevant space solutions in their regions. Here we seize synergies, share experiences, good practices on space solutions. Our meeting is an exceptional source of ideas for operational space solutions and the accomplishment of national priorities and cities management.

Our goal is to make Space accessible, understandable for all of us. It’s the place to be!

This meeting also aims to engage policymakers from nations that do not yet have space experience, to provide them with the opportunity to listen to the experiences shared by their peers, highlighting the benefits of space-based solutions.

Each topic will be introduced by a space expert, we encourage the attendees to give a short presentation (10 minutes) of a relevant space solution in his country or region on the following topics:

- **The sustainability of space activities needs the international coordination**
- **Space exploration technologies for solving global challenges**



- **Climate Change – Space solutions, the key at all levels: national, regional, urban and rural**
- **Risk and Disaster Management – Space solutions, a response in the disaster management cycle helping Decision-Makers**

Should you be interested, at the end of the meeting, we will organize a Press Conference for all the Parliamentarians who took part in the event.

Your intervention during the meeting will be recorded and photographed and they will be shared with you after the event. We hope that this will support in further spreading the importance of space within your country.

In addition to this, we wish to further enrich your experience by inviting you to a formal dinner on Sunday evening, to further network in a more relaxed environment, and to attend the IAC 2024 Opening Day as guest of Honour, on Monday 14 October 2024.

We would be grateful if you could let us know at your earliest convenience if you intend to join the event in Milan.

Should you have any questions or request further information, please contact the IAF Secretariat ([alessandra.dargenio@iafastro.org](mailto:alessandra.dargenio@iafastro.org)).

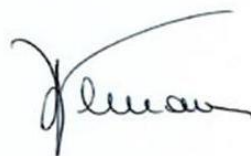
We look forward to your participation and to seeing you in Milan.

Sincerely,



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