

## UK MoD to provide an opening ministerial address and a host nation address at Global MilSatCom 2016

SMi announces Harriett Baldwin, Minister of State for Defence Procurement, UK MoD will provide and opening ministerial address at Global MilSatCom 2016

LONDON, LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM, September 19, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- SMi Group are delighted to announce Harriett Baldwin, Minister of State for Defence Procurement, UK MoD has joined the 18th annual <u>Global MilSatCom</u> conference and exhibition, taking place in London, UK, on the 8th-10th November 2016, to provide the opening ministerial address.

Air Commodore Nick Hay, Head Capability C4ISR, Joint Forces Command, UK MoD has now confirmed his attendance and will be providing a



host nation address with an update on UK MoD Strategic SatCom. Global MilSatCom Official web site: <u>www.globalmilsatcom.com/EIN</u>

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Dale Butler, Managing Director, SMi Group leading event in Europe for satellite professionals. We are very proud to have this level of support from the UK Ministry of Defence. This level of involvement will attract even more interest and further establish Global MilSatCom as the industry's leading event. Once again we thank the UK MoD for their continued support". Dale Butler, Managing Director, SMi Group.

This year's Global MilSatCom will bring together over 450 of the industry's key senior military representatives alongside the world's leading SatCom solution providers and operators. There will be over 120 military and government attendees from Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Czech Republic, China, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy,

Luxembourg, Malaysia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Russia, Singapore, Sweden,

Switzerland, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom and USA.

Some of the important topics that will be covered by these speakers include; SatCom for governmental use, the SatCom AoA in the U.S, the renewal of European programmes and how emerging markets are satisfying their MilSatCom requirements, transforming MilSatCom with commercial technologies, evolution of protected resilient SatCom, TNS and HTS, Wideband Global SatCom, allied partnerships and interoperability and so much more.

"As a newcomer to Global MilSatCom, I can tell you that I absolutely got a lot out of the event and I hope to get to future meetings. It was an excellent event and the SMi team did a fantastic job, " – Senior Representative, U.S Air Force, Global MilSatCom 2015 attendee.

The three-day <u>event agenda</u> includes unique presentations from UK Ministry of Defence, U.S. Department of Defence, Brazilian Air Force, NATO NCIA, Department of National Defence Canada, Italian MoD, Danish Defence Command, Joint Staff, UAE Space Agency, Hungarian Defence Forces, European Space Agency, Belgian Defense, Australian Department of Defence, New Zealand Defence Force, DISA, DGA France, Norwegian Defence Logistics Association, U.S Marine Corps Forces for Europe and Africa, Airbus Defence and Space, Eutelsat, Intelsat General, Viasat, Boeing, Thales, Newtec, OneWeb, Lockheed Martin, Northern Sky Research, O3b Networks, Advantech Wireless, Avanti Communications, GovSat and many more.

For a full list of speakers and agenda please visit www.globalmilsatcom.com/EIN

"This is my first Global MilSatCom Conference and it has been a very informative learning experience. I look forward to coming back as a delegate from Canada and contributing further," – commented a senior representative from Canadian Department of National Defence after Global MilSatCom.

SMi have also introduced two new pre-conference workshops taking place on the 7th November at this year's event:

• Workshop A: Architecting Space Systems, hosted by The Aerospace Corporation

• Workshop B: The Low Earth Orbit Small Satellite Constellation Revolution, hosted by Surrey Satellite Technology Ltd

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Gerard Donelan, Vice-President Defence and Security, SES: "Dear Industry Colleagues, On behalf of SES, I would like to welcome you all to SMi Group's 18th annual Global MilSatCom conference & exhibition. As a long standing member and lead sponsor, SES is happy to be part of this prominent military satellite conference and exhibition in London. This is an exciting time for our industry with new technologies and technical innovations becoming more available, from planar antennas to software defined modems and High Throughput Satellites just to name a few. These technologies are a result of our industry responding to the ever changing requirements of our defence and governmental customers. With many governments reducing spending budgets whilst increasing their requirements for information superiority, a challenging environment has been created for us all. Our aim as an industry is to respond to these challenges to ensure flexibility for the missions of the defence and governmental customers, whilst remaining within these budget constraints. New technologies and

new ways of doing business are paving the way for exciting opportunities within the industry. This conference is an ideal platform to hear about these ideas in a knowledge sharing environment, involving decision makers, government representatives, military and other leading international industry professionals."

Delegate places now over 92% sold out for Global MilSatCom 2016! Those who are interested in attending are advised to contact SMi, the organisers, today to secure participation, alternatively you can register online at <u>www.globalmilsatcom.com/EIN</u>

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