



18 May 2018

Dear Mr. Larry,

We would like to thank you for your interest in UNISPACE+50 and we are pleased to inform you that your application for participating in UNISPACE+50 has been accepted.

UNISPACE+50 will mark the fiftieth anniversary of the first United Nations Conference on the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, held in 1968. UNISPACE+50 is a timely opportunity to discuss the future of the space domain in regards to the dynamics of the past decades and the challenges to international cooperation, sustainability, safety and security of outer space, stemming from the evolution of the sector in the sixty years of the space age.

The whole process of UNISPACE+50 coincides with the ever growing importance of space for humankind and its applicability to efforts, goals and targets of three main international frameworks: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its 17 Sustainable Development Goals, the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030 and the Paris Agreement on Climate Change.

### **Access to the Vienna International Centre (VIC)**

Access to the VIC will be provided for the period 18-21 June 2018. As the VIC is secured environment you will be required to present a valid state-issued photo identification (preferably a passport) in order to obtain your access badge. You will be required to carry your badge visibly at all times while on the premises of the VIC.

### **Participation to High Level Segment**

Please note that your attendance to the High-Level Segment of the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space will be as a member of the public. This will enable you to follow the exchange of United Nations delegations but you will not be in a position to address the intergovernmental proceedings.

Please also acknowledge that the front of the plenary room will be reserved for the members of the delegations and only back seats of the plenary room will be available for public during deliberations of the High Level Segment.

### **Additional information**

All participants who are self-funded or are being funded by their own organizations, as in your case, are responsible for making their own travel and hotel arrangements. Please note that adequate health insurance is the responsibility of each Forum participant. The United Nations assumes no responsibility to cover, or obligation to refund, any such expenditure.

For any further inquiries and information about the program and events of the conference, please follow our UNISPACE+50 website, where we will as well upload an information booklet for participants.

<http://www.unoosa.org/oosa/en/ourwork/unispaceplus50/symposium.html>



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**Visa**

In the meantime, you are advised to check with the Consulate or Embassy of the Republic of Austria in your country for obtaining a visa as soon as possible. It is very important that you check if any transit visa is required en route to the Republic of Austria. Please also check the validity of your passport.

Please confirm your attendance to the event to [unoosa-highlevelforum@un.org](mailto:unoosa-highlevelforum@un.org) by no later than Friday, 1 June in order to facilitate the administrative arrangements for your participation.

We look forward to having you attend and celebrate with us during UNISPACE+50.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Di Pippo'.

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