The Contribution of Satellite Communications to the Information Society
~ Advancing the private/public sector dialogue on spanning the
digital divide through broadband satellite solutions ~

Date: 15 November 2005  Time: 11:00 to 13:00  Location: Salle Nabeul

Programme Outline

11:00
Welcome and Introduction from the Workshop Leader: Background & Context
- Leader: Martin Jarrold, Chief International Programme Development, GVF

11:05
Key enabling strategies for ICT access solutions via satellite, and satellite-terrestrial hybrid, technologies
- Initiatives from the private sector
  - How current satellite technology advances access to broadband applications
  - How industry contributes to advancing the policy & regulatory dialogue
  - How industry is advancing access to information tools necessary to effect sustainable implementation of low-cost satellite solutions
- Speaker: TBC

11:30
Broadband satellite service provision programmes as a driver of ICT access growth: Case Study I
- The Integral Satellite Initiative (ISI) Communications Technology Platform
- Speaker: TBC

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Broadband satellite service provision programmes as a driver of ICT access growth: Case Study II
- Advanced satellite communications – the TF ASMS/MOSSA Project
- Speaker: Julián Seseña, Rose Vision & Correspondent, GVF

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Broadband satellite service provision programmes as a driver of ICT access growth: Case Study III
- GEO exploitation of Broadband Satellite Systems for bridging the digital divide
- Speaker: Joaquin Restrepo, OOSA

12:30
Identification of key enabling recommendations: New satellite partnership imperatives for ICT & service deployment in underserved areas:
- European Space Agency (ESA) study on the applicability & benefits of satellite-based solutions in challenging the internal European Union digital divide
- Speaker: TBC

12:50
Summary & wrap-up from Workshop Leader
- Leader: Martin Jarrold, Chief International Programme Development, GVF

13:00
Workshop Closes