

EPP GROUP HEARING ON

“SECURING EUROPE’S EYES IN THE SKY: THE SECURITY OF EU SATELLITES”

Wednesday 1 July 2026

14:45 - 18:00

Room ANTALL 2Q2

PROGRAMME

14:45 | Opening remarks by Andrius Kubilius, Commissioner for Space and Defence

15:00 | Panel 1: Space Under Siege: Mapping the Threat to European Space Services

- Moderator: MEP Paulius Saudargas (EPP, ITRE)
- Speakers:
 - David Byrne (Head of Unit, CAP Directorate, European Defence Agency)
 - Major Damien Lebrun (Staff Officer, Belgian Defence)
 - Claude Schanet (Deputy Chair, Security Accreditation Board)
 - Bianca Santi (Research Fellow, European Space Policy Institute)

16:30 | Panel 2: Is EU Space Governance Adequate to Maintain Space Services in a Crisis?

- Moderator: MEP Helder Sousa Silva (EPP, SEDE)
- Speakers:
 - Rodrigo da Costa (Executive Director, EU Agency for the Space Programme)
 - Stefano Cont (CAP Director, European Defence Agency)
 - Luca Del Monte (Head of Commercialisation Department, European Space Agency)
 - Christophe Morand (Special Adviser, DG DEFIS, European Commission)

17:55 | Closing remarks by MEP Christophe Gomart (EPP, SEDE)

18:00 | Networking cocktail in the Catering Area of JAN Q3