

Commercial UAV Expo Europe 2018 Conference Programme Announced

More than 50 Experts to Present at Pan-European Drone Expo and Conference 10-12 April in Amsterdam

Amsterdam, 1 February 2018 – The conference programme for Commercial UAV Expo Europe, the pan-European trade fair and conference focused on the integration and operation of drones for major industrial and commercial applications, has been finalized. The highly anticipated [conference programme](#) is comprised of keynotes, plenaries and breakout sessions, which together provide industry professionals an overview of the European market for commercial drone activity, insight into the newest technologies on the market, and a glimpse at what's to come.

Together with an international exhibition of the newest drone technology from the world's top vendors and numerous networking events, the event is critical for anyone who needs to stay on top of the latest technology, regulations and developments in Europe's rapidly changing commercial drone market. The event, in its second year, will take place 10-12 April 2018 at the RAI Amsterdam. [The full programme can be viewed here.](#)

Day 1 – 10 April – Product Previews and Networking

The pre-conference day on Tuesday 10 April consists of short presentations from exhibiting companies in which attendees can learn about vendors' newest products and product updates. The day ends with a Welcome Happy Hour, where attendees, speakers and exhibitors can meet and network over drinks.

Day 2 – 11 April – Keynotes and Plenaries

Lisa Murray, Group Director of Diversified Communications, which organizes the event, will open the proceedings with welcoming remarks followed by three keynote addresses: **Jesse Kallman of Airbus International**, is entitled *"The Future of Aerial Data: Leveraging Data from the Sky"* and explores drones as part of a broader ecosystem of tools such as satellites and high altitude aircraft for leveraging data. The second address, by **Kay Wackwitz of Drone Industry Insights**, is entitled *"Securing the Digital Transformation: The Layer-Cake of Drone Data Protection"* which will provide insights into the current state of the commercial UAV market as well as the anticipated impact and timeline for newest initiatives such as personal air vehicles; it also delves into the threats to drone operations and data security. The third keynote is by **Lorenz Meier of PX4**, called *"Drones in the Connected Ecosystem: The Coming Transformation,"* and it explores how drones have evolved from a standalone device to part of a connected ecosystem and what's to come.

Numerous plenary sessions will follow the Keynotes, including:

- ***Newest Technologies on the Horizon for Commercial UAVs*** with:
Christoph Strecha – Pix4D (Switzerland); Baptiste Tripard – Intel (USA); - James Harrison – Sky-Futures (UK); Christian Janke – Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (Germany)
- ***Regulatory Update & Developments in UTM and U-Space*** with:
Benoit Curdy – Global UTM Association (EU); Marc Kegelaers – Unifly (Belgium);
Sebastian Babiarz – Airmap (Germany)

- **Safety and Risk Management for Commercial UAVs** with:
Ulrich Hoffmann – SafeDrone by Lufthansa Technik (Germany); Steve Flynn – SkyTango (Ireland); General Eden Attias – ParaZero (Israel); Oliver Heinrich – BHO Legal (Germany)
- **Pan-European Funding Opportunities for Commercial UAV Technologies (SESAR and Horizon 2020)** with:
Marco Balsi – DIET, La Sapienza University (Italy)

Next, drone developers and visionaries will share their latest innovations in the Drone Hero contest organized by EUKA.

The day will end with an offsite networking event at the Boathouse, a canal-side venue where attendees can mingle while enjoying drinks and light fare.

Day 3 – 12 April – Keynotes, Plenaries and Breakouts

On the final day, sessions will be organized around vertical market segments including:

- Electric Utilites – Maintenance & Inspection
- Smart Cities – Telco-IOT & Urban Air Mobility
- Civil Engineering & Infrastructure
- Surveying & Mapping
- Construction and Aggregates
- Precision Agriculture
- Oil & Gas – Maintenance, Surveying and Inspection
- Security, Law Enforcement, Emergency Response & SAR

The full program is posted, including abstracts and speaker bios, and can be viewed [here](#).

Registration is open and available here: <https://www.xpressreg.net/register/uave0418/landing.asp>.
Early bird rates expire 16 Feb; registrants can save €200 on a conference pass with early bird pricing.

About Commercial UAV Expo Europe

Commercial UAV Expo Europe, presented by Commercial UAV News, is a conference and exhibition exclusively focused on the commercial drone market covering industries including Surveying & Mapping; Civil Infrastructure; Aggregates & Mining; Construction; Process, Power & Utilities; Precision Agriculture; Law Enforcement, Emergency Response and Search & Rescue (SAR). The European event will take place 10-12 April 2018 at the RAI Amsterdam in The Netherlands. The North American event is taking place October 1-3, 2018 at the Westgate Resort & Casino in Las Vegas. For more information, visit www.expouav.com/europe and www.expouav.com.

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