

A high-angle, wide-view photograph of Earth from space, showing the curvature of the planet and the thin blue atmosphere. The surface is a mix of dark blue oceans, lighter blue and white clouds, and brownish-green landmasses. The text is overlaid in the lower-left quadrant.

IPN2018

**14TH INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP
CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**

SPACE CENTER HOUSTON, HOUSTON, TEXAS

17-19 OCTOBER 2018

WEDNESDAY 17TH OCTOBER 2018

530pm - 6pm Early Bird Conference Registration, Space Centre Houston

6pm - 8pm Welcome Reception, Special Events Building

Val Caldwell and Alex Blackwood, The IPN

THURSDAY 18TH OCTOBER 2018

- 8am - 09am Conference Registration in Space Centre Houston
- 9am - 10am Welcome and Opening Plenary in Mission Briefing Centre
Bruno van Dyk - Chair, The IPN - Welcome to IPN2018 and Introduction to education/business collaboration from HE perspective.
Matt Duggan, Mission Management and Operations Manager, Boeing Defense Systems - A business perspective!
- 1030am Cafe Conversation - Session 1 - Special Events Building
- 12pm Lunch (Bag lunch in Special Events Building)
- Networking and/or Visit to Space Centre Houston
- 130pm Panel Session - Developing the Future Workforce Together - Challenges and Opportunities
Moderator - *Laurel Adler*
Chris Oughton, VET Coordinator perspectives on careers aspirations of year 10 students, Australia
Rahul Ranadive, Empowering Youth for Employability, India
Debbi Colunga and Stacy Arrieta, Youth Careers Connect, USA
- 245pm Coffee Break
- 3pm Plenary - A perspective on the impact of partnerships - from Industry to Higher Education
Bonnie Dunbar former NASA astronaut and currently TEES Distinguished Research Professor, Aerospace Engineering, Texas A and M University
Panel Session - STEAM/STEM - Approaches to tackling the STEM 'problem'!
Fiona Knowles and Jason Knowles, Associate Degree in Applied Technology Pilot, Australia
Tone Standal Vesterhus - NHO - Girls into Technology Project - Norway
- 4pm Close
- 7pm - 9pm Networking Buffet Dinner
- Welcome address from VIP Guest, George Abbey, former Director of JSC and Fellow in Space Policy at the Baker Institute of Rice University*

FRIDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2018

- 0930am Panel Session — Entrepreneurship and Enterprise
Moderator - *Bruno Van Dyk*
Jennifer Regnier and Lydia Hamilton, Innovation, Creativity and Entrepreneurship Training, Canada
Peta Magik, Entrepreneurs Unearthed, Australia
Darren Howes, Young Entrepreneur Program, Canada
- 11am Cafe Conversation Session 2 - Special Events Building
- 1230pm Buffet Lunch
- 130pm Plenary
Rob Alexander, Executive Director, International Institute of Space Commerce
- 2pm Keynote
Bill McArthur, former NASA Astronaut
- 230pm Global Best Awards - Celebrating Excellence in Partnerships
- 345pm Closing Remarks - *Bruno van Dyk, Chair, The IPN*
- 4pm Free access to SCH until close

Please note that the schedule may be subject to change.