The Portuguese Space Forum 2009 is an event organized by the FCT Space Office, with the support of Ciência Viva and it aims at gathering the Portuguese Space Community with ESA experts, promoting Portuguese space activities, and enabling the debate about future opportunities related to ESA programmes, emerging space technologies and new areas for space applications.

In this event an updated version of the Portuguese Space Catalogue is available. It contains a brief description, major competences, products, services and projects of Portuguese industry and academia taking an active role in the space sector.

All day
9:30 - 18:00 | Exhibition of Portuguese Industry and Academia in Space
Morning session

09:30 | Reception to the participants

10:00 | Welcome
      João Sentieiro – President of FCT and Head of Delegation

10:10 | Opening
      Jean-Jacques Dordain – ESA Director General
      José Mariano Gago – Minister of Science, Technology and Higher Education

10:30 | Overview of ESA programmes following 2008 ESA Council at Ministerial Level (tbd)
      Jean-Jacques Dordain – ESA Director-General

11:00 | Coffee break

11:30 | ESA and Portugal (moderated by João Sentieiro)

   > Portuguese Task Force – Lessons learned (tbd)
      Pedro Baptista – Office for Support to New Member Countries

   > Portugal in Space (tbd)
      Speaker to be defined – FCT Space Office

   > Space and Education
      Ana Noronha – Executive Director of Ciência Viva

12:30 | General debate

12:50 | Lunch break and visit to exhibition
Afternoon Session

Plenary sessions dedicated to Applications and Technology. The first part shall be dedicated to Earth Observation, Telecommunications, Integrated Applications and Navigation programmes. The second part will focus on the Technology programmes, selecting two particular domains for this edition of the Forum. The ESA Executive will make a presentation followed by general discussion moderated by the corresponding Portuguese Delegates.

14:00 | Applications - Main issues for the future (moderated by Eliseu Crespo and Luís Serina)

> Earth Observation programmes (moderated by Luis Serina)
   Stephano Bruzzi – Head of Programme Planning and Coordination Service

> Telecommunications, Integrated Applications and Navigation programmes (moderated by Eliseu Crespo)
   José Maria Casas Cortezon – Senior Strategy Advisor Directorate of Telecommunications and integrated Applications
   Rafael Lucas – Head of Navigation, Applications and User Services Office
   Amnon Ginati – Head of Integrated and Telecommunications related Applications Department

15:30 | Coffee break

16:00 | Technology - Main issues for the future (moderated by José Rebordão and Mário Amaral)

> Technology programmes overview (TRP, GSTP)
   Alberto Tobias – Head of System, Software and Technology Department
   Frédéric Teston – Head of Systems and Engineering Support Division

> Focused technology domain: Software
   Nestor Peccia – Head of Data Systems Infrastructure Division
   Juan Miró – Head of Software Systems Division

> Focused technology domain: Materials and Structures
   To be confirmed.

17:30 | Closure
   João Sentieiro – President of FCT and Head of Delegation
The 3rd edition of the Portuguese Space Forum will take place at the Pavilhão do Conhecimento (Ciência Viva) situated in the Tagus northern riverbanks, Parque das Nações, Lisbon.

At 10 min distance by taxi from the Lisbon International Airport, it is also easily reachable by Metro (Lisbon metropolitan train), bus (Carris) and train (CP):

> By taxi : 10 min trip from the Lisbon International Airport.
> By bus: Carris’s buses 5, 10, 18, 19, 21, 25, 25a, 28, 44, 50, 68, 81, 82, 85, 114, 208, 210.
> By train (CP): “Gare do Oriente” train station.