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BluePoint, Brussels, Belgium

Call for Papers

AFCEA Europe is pleased to officially launch the **Call for Papers** for [the Workshop: Cyber Security in and for Space Operations](#), taking place on **3 September 2020** in **Brussels, Belgium**.

This event is scheduled to take place as planned. AFCEA Europe is constantly monitoring the situation with COVID-19. We will announce any changes to the event on the event website if any are made.

This workshop is dedicated to the increasing importance of the space domain for governmental operations and national welfare and its cyber security requirements. While traditional security for space operations mainly deals with physical threats in space, cyber security is rapidly gaining importance, as cyber attacks can impede operations physically as well as virtually in many ways.

During the workshop, we would like to ponder the following:

- How can cyber security be maintained over a long period of time under the harsh conditions of space?
- What other operational cyber security aspects need to be addressed with regard to the increased use of space?
- Does current policy reflect the importance of cyber security in space sufficiently?

Additionally, we will discuss the newest challenges, concepts and technologies regarding the impact of cyber security in space operations as well as the importance of space operations for cyber security together with representatives from NATO, the EU, national governments, research institutions and industry.

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The **Call for Papers** is now open for speaking roles during the workshop sessions. Speakers will be chosen according to their level (higher ranking speakers will have priority), their speaking abilities and presence, the content of their proposed abstract and relevance to the session theme and to the overall theme of the conference. We would like to have diverse speakers and also highly encourage women to submit an abstract.

As the spectrum of Cyber security for space operations is rather wide, we are accepting submissions for speaking roles in the following panels:

Panel 1:

Thinking the Opposite Direction: How Could Cyber Penetration of Space Assets Benefit the Aggressor?

Panel 2:

Technology, Policy and Governance to Fix Old and Prevent New Vulnerabilities

See the [preliminary programme overview](#) for the details on the panels.

Marketing pitches from industry are not welcome. Instead, impressing the audience with your general expertise and technology experience would make the difference. The selected companies will be highly encouraged to support their speaking role with a sponsorship package. These events would not be possible without the support of industry.

The deadline to submit your abstract for the first round of selections is **Friday 31 July 2020**. The first round of selections will be made shortly after this date. You will be contacted soon after this date if you have been selected. You may be contacted to join the alternate speaker list as well.

The number of speaking roles is limited.

Submit an abstract now!

In order to be considered, please fill in the [Call for Papers Submission Form](#).

Here you can see the [sponsorship opportunities](#) for the conference. Industry is highly encouraged to book a sponsorship package in order to support their speaking role and the conference.

If you have any questions, please contact [Mandy Rizzo](#).