

Agenda

9:00 a.m.

Welcome by Host, Mr. Sergio Gonzalez, Vice President for University Advancement and External Affairs, University of Miami • Introductions of VIPs and Honored Guests • Reading of Proclamations • Short opening remarks

9:15 a.m.

Keynote Address by NASA Deputy Administrator, The Honorable Shana Dale

9:50 a.m.

Overview of NASA Exploration Program, Mr. Carl Walz, Director, Advanced Capabilities Division

10:20 a.m.

Break

10:30 a.m.

Innovation Panel: “Unleashing the power of technology and creativity”

Moderator:

• Mr. Doug A. Comstock, Director of NASA Innovative Partnership Program

Panelists:

• Mr. Steve Kohler, President and CEO, Space Florida

• Mr. Manny Mencia, Sr. Vice President for International Trade and Business Development, Enterprise Florida

• Mr. Jean Michel Caffin, Managing Partner, Axis Americas and Beacon Council Executive Cabinet (Head International Committee)

• Mr. Tom Krug, Associate and Senior Engineer, Geosyntec Consultants

11:30 a.m.

Discovery Panel: “Pushing the limits of knowledge to inspire new generations”

Moderator:

• Mr. Russell Romanella, Director, ISS and Spacecraft Processing, Kennedy Space Center

Panelists:

• Dr. James Tien, Dean of Engineering, University of Miami

• Mr. Dennis Mills, Director, Strategy and Business Development, Pratt & Whitney Rocketdyne, United Technologies Company

• Mr. Jim Halsell, Vice President and Program Manager, Exploration Systems,

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- Dr. Robert Atlas, Director, NOAA Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratory
- Jack Horkheimer, Executive Director, Miami Space Transit Planetarium

12:30 p.m.

Private Luncheon with Keynote Presentation by The Honorable Charlie Crist, Governor of Florida (Confirmed)

1:30 p.m.

Mr. Barrington Irving, first African-American and youngest person to fly solo around the world

1:50 p.m.

Inspiration Panel: “Building idea factories for the future”

Moderator:

- Dr. Penny Haskins, Associate Director, Florida Space Grant Consortium

Panelists:

- Dr. Okhee Lee-Salwen, College of Education, University of Miami
- Dr. Bernice Alston, NASA Deputy Assistant Administrator for Education
- Mr. Frank Brogan, President, Florida Atlantic University and former Lt. Governor of Florida
- Astronaut Stephen N. Frick, Commander, STS-122

3:00 p.m.

Closing remarks and Wrap-up