



# ANNUAL CONFERENCE

**04**  
**MARCH**  
**2026**

**EUROPEAN COMMISSION - BORSCHETTE ROOM AB-0A**

**14:30-18:30**

**Master of ceremony - Michael Nielsen, ESPORG Chairman of the Board**

**13:30 - 14:30**

**Registration @ European Commission** building Borschette  
Rue Froissart 36, 1040 Etterbeek, Belgium

**14:30 - 14:35**

Introduction by **Dirk Penasse**, General Manager, ESPORG

**14:35 - 14:50**

Keynote speech by **Kristian Schmidt** - Director, Land Transport  
Directorate-General for Mobility & Transport -  
DG MOVE, European Commission

**14:50 - 15:00**

**Award announcement - Lifetime Achievement Award to support Safe and Secure Parking Areas (SSPAs)** - awarded by **Kristian Schmidt** - Director, Land Transport - Directorate-General for Mobility & Transport - DG MOVE, European Commission

**15:00 - 16:15**

**Panel discussion on military mobility**

moderated by **Frederic Maas**, ESPORG Delegate of the Board

**Herald Ruijters** - Deputy Director-General,  
Directorate-General for Defence Industry and Space

**Roberts Zile** - Vice-President, European Parliament

**Brigadier General Mag. Lampl Stefan** - Director Logistics,  
European Military Staff, European External Action Service

**Dirk Penasse**, General Manager ESPORG

**16:15 - 16:25**

**Award announcement - Green Truck Parking Management Award**, acknowledging operators who demonstrate commitment to environmental sustainability and eco-friendly practices.  
- awarded by **Herald Ruijters** - Deputy Director-General,  
Directorate - General for Defence Industry and Space

**16:25 - 16:40**

**BREAK**

**16:40 - 17:40**

**Panel discussion on drivers' wellbeing**

moderated by **Druselia Betea**,  
Head of the European Wellbeing Initiative

**Malika Seddi** - Secretary-General, ASECAP - Association Européenne des Concessionnaires d'Autoroutes et d'ouvrages à Péage

**Sven Hemelaers** - Belgian Transport Union BTB Secretariat - Transport routier & Logistique

**Jordi Espin** - Secretary General, Transprime Spanish Shippers' Council

**Thierry Roger**, Secure Parking operator

**17:40 - 17:50**

**Address by Ambassador Cosmin Boiangiu** - Executive Director, European Labour Authority

**17:50 - 18:10**

**Address by Francesco Corti, Member of EVP Minzatu Cabinet Award announcement - Home Away from Home Award**, celebrating facilities that prioritize driver well-being and comfort

**18:10 - 18:20**

**Award announcement - Best Truck Parking**, recognizing excellence in truck parking  
- awarded by **Dirk Penasse**, ESPORG General Manager

**18:20 - 18:30**

Closing remarks by **Dirk Penasse**, ESPORG General Manager

**18:45 - 20:00**

**Drink at L'Autobus** (Place Jourdan 33, Etterbeek, Brussels 1040 Belgium)



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