

## NEWS RELEASE

### Ofcom and the European Commission confirmed to speak at Dynamic Spectrum Alliance Global Summit 2018

**London, UK, 15 March 2018:** Ofcom, the European Commission (EC), and the EC's Radio Spectrum Policy Group (RSPG) are the latest in a host of regulators and policymakers who are set to converge in London for the Dynamic Spectrum Alliance's Sixth Annual Global Summit (May 1-3, 2018). The announcement of UK regulator Ofcom comes shortly after the DSA's [recent submission](#) in support of Ofcom's Proposed Annual Plan 2018/2019, including the high-level goal to secure standards and improve quality for shared access in 3.8 to 4.2 GHz and to make sufficient spectrum available for 5G.

The Rt Hon. Lord David Willetts, a member of the UK House of Lords, will be giving a keynote address on Day 2. He will be joined by Ofcom's Group Director of Spectrum, Mr Philip Marnick and Mr. Ranveer Chandra, Principal Researcher at Microsoft. Within his capacity at Microsoft, Mr. Chandra is currently leading an Incubation on IoT Applications, as well as the Battery Research and white space networking project.

"We are pleased to welcome Ofcom and other key policymakers and industry leaders to the agenda for our Global Summit in May," commented Kalpak Gude, President of the Dynamic Spectrum Alliance. "The Dynamic Spectrum Alliance recently welcomed the release of Ofcom's Annual Plan to facilitate shared access to new spectrum bands, and this will be one of the key focuses of the Summit. For example, shared access to spectrum in the 3.8 to 4.2 GHz band will enable innovative users to access this valuable spectrum band, while protecting incumbent users."

Following the keynote addresses on Day 2, Dr. Preston Marshall, Principle, Wireless Architecture at Google will kick off the series of sessions with a discussion on '*Challenges with the Current Spectrum Approach.*' Dr. Marshall's role at Google includes working to investigate new spectrum technology, including innovative tools for spectrum sharing.

"There is no other conference discussing modern and innovative spectrum management methodologies, including dynamically shared and license exempt operations," Gude added. "We look forward to welcoming participation from high profile figures from the technology leadership landscape, including Microsoft, Google, Facebook and HP, who are truly driving 5G and next generation innovative technologies."

With less than two months to go until the Summit, other industry leaders confirmed for the high-profile agenda include:

- Jonas Wessel, Director Spectrum Department; Chairperson, **Swedish Post and Telecom Authority (PTS); Radio Spectrum Policy Group**
- Andreas Geiss, Head of Unit, Radio Spectrum Policy, **European Commission**
- Chris Woolford, Director of International Spectrum Policy, **Ofcom**

Sponsors of the DSA Global Summit include Microsoft, Nominet, Adaptrum, Aruba (a HP Enterprise company), Google, and SoVa Innovation Center for TVWS Broadband Development.

Speaking before the Global Summit, where he will join a panel on *'Increasing the utilization of 6 GHz for broadband services through spectrum sharing,'* Chuck Lukaszewski, VP, Wireless Strategy & Standards at Hewlett Packard Enterprise (HPE), commented: "HPE's core mission is to help customers around the world make hybrid IT simple, and to power the intelligent edge. As a significant provider of secure, high-performance and operator-grade networking infrastructure, we are really pleased to sponsor the DSA Global Summit as it is the premier event for enabling discussions on effective spectrum management and the role of dynamic spectrum access in enabling new connectivity solutions. Leadership by the DSA has helped open significant new spectrum around the world for a range of applications, unlocking new business models and helping to close the digital divide."

To secure your place at the Dynamic Spectrum Alliance's Sixth Annual Global Summit in London, United Kingdom (May 1-3, 2018), or for more information, please visit <http://dynamicspectrumalliance.org/global-summit/>.

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### **About the Dynamic Spectrum Alliance**

The Dynamic Spectrum Alliance is a global organization advocating for laws and regulations that will lead to more efficient and effective spectrum utilization. The DSA's membership spans multinationals, small- and medium-sized enterprises, and academic, research, and other organizations from around the world, all working to create innovative solutions that will increase the amount of available spectrum to the benefit of consumers and businesses alike.

For more information, visit: <http://www.dynamicspectrumalliance.org/>.

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