



# **GVF Satellite Summit**

## **“The \$20 Billion Question: Can Satellite and Terrestrial Wireless Co-Exist in C-band?”**

**Sept. 29, 2006**

**09:30 – 11:45**

**Followed by Executive Luncheon**

**The University Club**

**1135 16<sup>th</sup> St., N.W.**

**Washington, D.C.**

You and your colleagues are invited to attend this high-level Summit, which will address an issue of unprecedented importance to the communications industry: Throughout the world, fixed and mobile satellite services are reportedly being severely disrupted by interference from new services such as Wi-Max and Broadband Wireless Access in the “extended” C-band frequencies of 3.4 to 3.7 GHz. If national and inter-governmental organizations fail to address this alarming trend, the satellite industry may be prevented from delivering users with FSS and MSS services for voice, data and video services in Developed and Developing Countries.

Further, there is an effort underway by the terrestrial wireless community for a global allocation from the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) to put future mobile phone networks like IMT advanced and 4G services in “standard” C band frequencies of 3.4 – 4.2 GHz. These frequencies are a primary means by which the satellite industry provides millions of users with mission-critical communications solutions for distance learning, tele-medicine, universal access, disaster recovery, and many other vital applications.

The GVF invites you to participate in this critical Summit, which is being held in coordination with the Wi-Max Forum, as well as the Asia Pacific Satellite Communications Council, Cable and Satellite Broadcasting Association of Asia, European Satellite Operators Association, Satellite Industry Association, Society of Satellite Professionals International, Satellite Users Interference Reduction Group, VSAT Service Association of India, the Washington Space Business Roundtable and the World Teleport Association. Please fill out and submit the attached registration form today.

Sincerely,

David Hartshorn  
Secretary General  
GVF



## **SUMMIT PROGRAM**

09.30 – Welcome and Introductions: David Hartshorn, Secretary General, GVF

09.45 – Opening remarks from speakers:

James Vorhies, Chief, International Spectrum Plans and Policy, NTIA

Clovis Baptista, Executive Director, Inter-American Telecommunication Commission

Ralph Puckett, DISA, US Department of Defense

Dick Tauber, Chairman, ISOG-ABU & VP, Transmission Systems CNN

Tim Hewitt, RWG Chairman, Wi-Max Forum

Kalpak Gude, Vice President, Intelsat

10.15 – Questions for the forum and discussion:

Led by GVF Regulatory Working Group Chairman Matt Botwin

- What has been your experience with sharing C band or extended C band spectrum?
- What is the status of US and international regulation considering C band spectrum?
- What other steps need to be taken to identify a solution and promote its implementation?

11.30 – Wrap up and Conclusions

11.45 – Luncheon



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GVF welcomes your organisation to attend this important Satellite Summit. Access to the Summit and Executive Luncheon costs \$40 for GVF Members, government and media; non-members pay \$55. Confirm your organization’s participation today by faxing/emailing this form to GVF at: Fax: +1 703 683 1887 Email:

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