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**ASE-Europe thanks outgoing
Generation Advisory Council
Executive Director Clementine
Decoopman**

Today Reinhold Ewald, current President of the Association of Space Explorers – Europe, the European chapter of the global association representing over three quarters of the human individuals who have already orbited Earth in a spacecraft, expressed his sincere thanks to Ms. Decoopman for her successful term in office and her remarkable leadership of SGAC. During her term in office ASE-Europe and SGAC signed a Letter Agreement to put their mutual relations and support on a sound basis.

The support from ASE-Europe to SGAC consists of financial donations enabling the attendance of SGAC members to workshops, congresses, and events targeted for young emerging space leaders. Funds for the support come from the astronaut-donated ISS Crew Fund, held in escrow by ASE-Europe and intended to foster the peaceful space cooperation between East and West, North and South just like demonstrated on board of the ISS.

Through the work of Clementine Decoopman and her young international team a next generation of space professionals matures, who will

carry the well-proven blueprint of peaceful international space cooperation on board ISS beyond Earth orbit into soon-to-be –established planetary and interplanetary way-stations for exploration.

ASE Europe is looking forward to see Clementine advancing to her new position and stay in contact with her. At the same time the cooperation will not be interrupted, as with Davide Petrillo, Deputy Executive Director, the next in line takes over and can draw on the support of an experienced team of helpers under Operations Manager Matteo Cappella.
All the best, Clementine!