

UNOOSA Space Economy Webinar

Access to Finance

5 August 2020, 15:00 CEST

Background

The level of political and economic capital being invested in space is higher than ever. Estimates indicate the global space economy grew to \$ 414,75 billion in 2018. Space and satellite technology are pillars of modern society. They provide policymakers with invaluable data and information, helping make effective fact-based decisions across a range of policy areas - from urbanisation to national crisis response, with the COVID-19 pandemic being the most recent example.

Expanding the global space economy, responsibly and sustainably, is a fundamental driver behind efforts to bring the benefits of space to everyone, everywhere. Further, these developments can support countries in efforts to 'build back better' using space services to face policy challenges, while contributing to innovation, job and revenue creation. In this context, UNOOSA has organised a webinar 'space economy' series to unpack how different countries are strengthening their respective space sectors.

Access to Finance Session

On August 5, we will look at how to build and maintain sustainable financial systems to support space economies. We will hear what the challenges to secure financing are and how to attract the resources necessary to build up space companies. Experts will share their insights on the existing financial landscape and what need to be further developed for the sustainable growth of the space sector.

The webinar will:

- Increase awareness about the space economy
- Generate synergies between established and new space economy stakeholders
- Open networking opportunities and facilitate global collaboration

Target audience

- Government officials, policymakers and representatives
- Private organizations
- Academic institutions and non-governmental organizations

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Moderator

- *Mr Ian Freeman, Associate Programme Officer, UNOOSA*

15:05-15:30

How to Scale-Up: Expert Insights

- *Ms Carissa Christensen, CEO and founder, Bryce Space and Technology*
- *Mr Gavin McCosker, Deputy Chief Executive, Australia Financial Security Authority*
- *Ms Shiva Dustdar, Head of Division, European Investment Bank*

15:30-15:55

Moderated discussion: with Q & A from the audience

15:55-16:00

Closing remarks
