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of the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space

INTRODUCTION

The dramatic development of the space economy, experienced worldwide, has presented relevant challenges to the current international legal framework. Commercial and private space activities are on a rapid rise, including a diverse range of manufacturing, space-enabled products and services, as space transportation, satellite navigation, telecommunication and imagery. In parallel, the growth of international trade involving space-related goods, services and data has introduced a new dynamic to the economic landscape.

The global space sector, with its impact on economic and social activities in general, have led to an evaluation of space law instruments, in order to acknowledge those trends best identified with the international community's shared interests and values. It is therefore essential that the expansion of the global space economy can build on a rule-based framework. This framework is best developed in a multilateral effort. UNCOPUOS will have to play an essential role in this.

This IISL/ECSL Symposium focuses on major elements related to the global space economy, to be collaboratively addressed not in abstract legal terms, but through practical perspectives, considering how regulation impacts economic prospects and may increase the benefit for all actors. By the study of interrelated topics, the Symposium invites discussion on how to shape legal instruments upholding the rule of law and providing the Legal Subcommittee with suggestions for its work.

In light of the on-going COVID-19 pandemic, the event will exceptionally follow a full virtual format.

Coordination Committee of the Symposium:
Kai-Uwe Schrogl (IISL), President
Olavo Bittencourt (IISL)
Sergio Marchisio (ECSL), Chair
Rosanna Hoffmann (ECSL)

PROGRAMME

**Welcome by Chair of LSC, President of IISL and Chair of ECSL
Setsuko Aoki, Kai-Uwe Schrogl and Sergio Marchisio**

Tare Brisibe, SES: Cooperation and competition in space - the economic landscape

Lesley Jane Smith, Leuphana University Lüneburg: Space and international trade law

Jairo Becerra, Universidad Catolica de Colombia: Economic aspects of national space legislation

Olga Stelmakh-Drescher, EXOLAUNCH: Economic aspects of long-term sustainability of outer space activities and space traffic management

Bernhard Schmidt-Tedd, DLR and Ignacio Tirado, UNIDROIT: Status of and way forward for the UNIDROIT Space Protocol

Concluding remarks:
Sergio Marchisio, Chair - ECSL
Kai-Uwe Schrogl, President - IISL
Setsuko Aoki, Chair, Legal Subcommittee