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# NATIONAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS TO ENSURE SPACE SUSTAINABILITY

ON THE OCCASION OF THE 61ST SESSION OF THE LEGAL SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE UNITED NATIONS COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE

5 APRIL, 15.00 - 17.00

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Ensuring sustainable uses of space is one of the greatest challenges faced by contemporary international space law. The enactment of national laws and regulations in that regard represents a step forward towards effective management of sustainability. Nevertheless, domestic initiatives should also acknowledge emerging international principles and best practices, thus minimizing the risk of regulatory fragmentation.

After ten years of complex negotiations, in 2019 the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space adopted a set of 21 "Guidelines for Long-Term Sustainability of Outer Space Activities", a foundational document providing international guidance on the policy and regulatory framework for space sustainability. The 2019 LTS Guidelines represent an excellent starting point, whose provisions now need to be widely implemented by relevant national and international actors. To ensure the sustainable uses of outer space, collaboration among all key stakeholders in the space community is required: not only national lawmakers and governments, but also companies and civil society at large, with special consideration for the young generations.

The 2022 edition of the IISL/ECSL Symposium will deal with the implementation of the 2019 LTS Guidelines, considering actions at the national and international level designed towards the achievement of space sustainability. The selected speakers represent perspectives from different space actors, pragmatically addressing current challenges and shared concerns. Thus, the Legal Subcommittee shall be informed and supported in its next steps regarding sustainability in outer space.

In light of the on-going COVID-19 pandemic, the event will exceptionally follow a hybrid, or, if necessary, fully virtual format.

#### **Coordination Committee of the Symposium:**

Kai-Uwe Schrogl (IISL, President)
Olavo Bittencourt (IISL, Board of Directors)
Sergio Marchisio (ECSL, Chair)
Rosanna Hoffmann (ECSL, Executive Secretary)

28 MARCH, 15.00 - 17.00

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## WELCOME BY CHAIR OF THE LSC, PRESIDENT OF THE IISL AND CHAIR OF THE ECSL

#### ANDRÉ RYPL, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS, BRAZIL

Global North/South Perspectives on Space Sustainability

#### **AARTI HOLLA-MAINI, GLOBAL SATELLITE OPERATOR'S ASSOCIATION**

A View from the Operators on Regulating Space Sustainability

#### MARCO FERRAZZANI, ESA

National Laws on Space Sustainability: Fragmentation or Uniformization?

# JENNI TAPIO, MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT, FINLAND

International Cooperation for Sharing National Legal Mechanisms and Best Practices

#### **RUVIMBO SAMANGA, AGRI SPACE AFRICA**

The Role of the Young Generations in the Quest for Space Sustainability

# CONCLUDING REMARKS: SERGIO MARCHISIO, CHAIR - ECSL KAI-UWE SCHROGL, PRESIDENT - IISL CHAIR - LSC

Important notice:

#### **Non-Delegates**

The event will be held in hybrid mode. This means that only Delegates may attend the event in person, whilst speakers and non-delegates will be able to attend virtually.