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**Joint Statement of the United Nations Inter-Agency Meeting  
on Outer Space Activities (UN-Space)**

1. The present document contains Joint Statement of the United Nations Inter-Agency Meeting on Outer Space Activities (UN-Space), issued in connection with the UN-Space High-Level Panel entitled “United Nations: Reinforcing synergies for UNISPACE+50 and beyond”, held on 21 June 2018 in Vienna.



## Joint Statement of the United Nations Inter-Agency Meeting On Outer Space Activities (UN-Space)

Since the early years of the space age, outer space has been a powerful force for humankind's greatest scientific and technological achievements. Tools and benefits offered by outer space can catalyse the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and contribute to the monitoring and acceleration of the attainment of the seventeen Sustainable Development Goals.

On the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the United Nations Conference on the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, and the UNISPACE+50 High-level Segment of the sixty-first session of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, we pledge to further increase the utilization of the benefits offered by outer space by working within our respective mandates and in close collaboration with the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs, in facilitating the realization of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

We join Member States and other stakeholders in building on synergies to promote access to the scientific, technological, economic, social, environmental and cultural benefits of space activities through international cooperation. Using the opportunity offered by UNISPACE+50 to reflect on more than 50 years of achievement in space exploration and use, and to chart the future contribution of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space to the global governance of outer space activities, we stand ready to deliver together within the framework of the United Nations, avoiding silos and fragmentation. In the coming years, efforts will be intensified within the respective mandates at the global, regional and national levels, and through engagement with our governing bodies, in order to promote and support:

- **Integrated and coordinated approach** that strengthens the means of implementation and builds stronger partnerships and international cooperation and coordination in the exploration and peaceful uses of outer space through greater involvement of the space community in global development efforts;
- **Strengthened capacities** of Member States for sustainable development, including through increased integration of space science, technology and their applications, as well as space law and policy, in national development strategies; and
- **Equality and inclusiveness**, reaffirming that the benefits of outer space shall be accessible to all States irrespective of their level of economic, social, scientific or technical development and in accordance with international law, and promoting gender equality throughout all sectors.

We reaffirm our commitment to incorporate a wider use of space science, technology, their applications and enabling environment within our organizations and in the United Nations system.

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