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**International Institute of Space Law (IISL) and
European Centre for Space Law (ECSL)**

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“Space Law for the Global Space Economy”

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

INTRODUCTION

The constant evolution of space commerce, experienced worldwide nowadays, has presented relevant challenges to the current international legal framework.

Commercial and private space activities are on the rise, including a diverse range of space-enabled products and services, as 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.

Our global space sector, with its impact to economic activities in general, have led to reconsideration of different space law instruments, in order to acknowledge those behaviours best identified with the international community's shared interests and values.

Therefore, it is important to evaluate if space law has the proper mechanisms to deal with space commerce related demands and concerns, as well as to ascertain key issues deserving further regulation.

The IISL/ECSL Symposium focus on major elements related to space commerce, to be collaboratively addressed not in abstract legal terms, but through practical perspectives, considering how regulation impacts economic prospects.

By the study of interrelated topics, the IISL/ECSL Symposium invites discussion on how to shape legal instruments which, while capable of supporting space commerce and benefiting all actors, also uphold the rule of law.

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

Coordination Committee of the Symposium:

Kai-Uwe Schrogl (IISL), President

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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, Chief Policy and Government Relations Officer, EXOLAUNCH, IISL Board Member: 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:

Kai-Uwe Schrogl, President - IISL

Sergio Marchisio, Chair - ECSL

Setsuko Aoki, Chair, Legal Subcommittee