



The International Institute of Space Law (IISL) and the European Centre for Space Law (ECSL) are pleased to present their

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Annual Space Law Symposium on

DUE REGARD IN OUTER SPACE: CURRENT LEGAL IMPLICATIONS



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**Room M-Plenary
Vienna International Centre**

During the morning session of the 64th Legal Subcommittee of the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (UNCOPUOS)



PROGRAMME

Opening remarks

KAI-UWE SCHROGL, President, IISL

SERGIO MARCHISIO, Chair, ECSL

AARTI HOLLA-MAINI, Director, UNOOSA

Presentations by speakers

Andrea HARRINGTON, Co-Director, Institute of Air and Space Law, McGill University

What do we owe to each other? Operationalizing the principle of due regard

Olavo DE BITTENCOURT NETO, Professor, Catholic University of Santos

Due regard to the interests of all: perspectives from emerging spacefaring nations in Latin America

Tare BRISIBE, Senior Legal & Regulatory Counsel, APAC with SES

Africa and Common Interests in Outer Space

Setsuko AOKI, Professor, Keio University Law School

Proactive due regard: Japan's recent guidelines for on-orbit servicing and collision avoidance

Tim FLOHRER, Head Space Debris Office, ESA

Due regard and the need for space traffic coordination

Antonino SALMERI, Director, Lunar Policy Platform

Back to the Moon: the key role of due regard for peaceful, safe and sustainable lunar activities

Isi CASAS DEL VALLE, Business Development Officer, SGAC

Building a better tomorrow: the principle of due regard and the interests of future generations

Panel discussion

Concluding remarks

SERGIO MARCHISIO, Chair, ECSL

KAI-UWE SCHROGL, President, IISL



ABSTRACT

The exploration and use of outer space has become an integral part of the economic and technological development of all Countries. Ensuring the rational, safe, and sustainable uses of space has therefore become essential to preserve the critical reliance of our daily lives on the services that it provides.

A key role in achieving this fundamental objective to be played by the legal principle of due regard, as enshrined in Article IX of the Outer Space Treaty. Given the increasing number of space actors and space objects, the continuous evolution of space technology, as well as the steady growth of the global space economy, it is vital to reflect on the legal implications and practical implementation of the due regard principle in modern times.

The IISL/ECSL Symposium will therefore provide State Members of the Legal Subcommittee with expert insights on the principle of due regard to help them build capacity and navigate contemporary legal challenges, promoting international cooperation in the peaceful exploration and use of outer space for the benefit of all humanity.

