

SPACE POLICY & LAW COURSE

11 TO 13 OCTOBER 2021

ON-LINE**MONDAY 11 OCTOBER 2021**

1. SPACE ENVIRONMENT AND TECHNOLOGY - 09.15 - 10.30*

- Delimitation of Space and Airspace
- Environmental characteristics
- Orbits, types of spacecraft, mega-constellations
- Discussion and questions

BREAK - 10.30 - 10.40

2. POLICY FORMULATION AND INSTITUTIONS - 10.40 - 12.00

- Policy Principles, Peaceful Use, Non-appropriation, Cooperation and Non-interference
- Policy development and institutions
- International and National Institutions - nature and role
- UN COPUOS, ESA, Regional Organisations and operating methods
- National Policies, formulation and implementation
- Discussion and questions

LUNCH - 12.00 - 12.45

3. THE LEGAL REGIME - 12.45 - 14.00

- Sources of Space Law, Outer Space Treaties, UN Resolutions
- Other regimes - Antarctic, Law of the Sea and Air Law
- International Responsibility and Liability distinguished
- National space laws and Licensing
- Norms, Practices, Guidelines, Regulations and Standards
- Discussion and questions

BREAK - 14.00 - 14.10

4. THE LAWS GOVERNING SPACE APPLICATIONS - 14.10- 15.30

- Sovereignty, Property Rights
- Remote Sensing: UN Principles and Disaster Charter
- Earth Observation: Data and Information
- Scientific experiment, Exploration and Exploitation
- Manned space activities: The ISS & its IGA; Chinese Space Station
- Discussion and questions

BREAK - 15.30 - 15.40

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5. SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS - 15.40 - 16.50

- Telecommunications and Broadcasting: The Role of the ITU
- Orbital Positions, Co-ordination
- Spectrum management: Frequency Efficiency and Market Reach
- Harmful interference, jamming, signal interception, cyber security, frequency priority, EU and the ITU
- Discussion and questions

TUESDAY 12 OCTOBER 2021

6. COMMERCIAL SPACE ACTIVITIES - 09.15 - 10.30

- Nature and range of commercial space ventures
- PNT Applications and Services
- Spaceflight and Spaceports
- Small Satellite Constellations, On-orbit Servicing
- Regulation, Market Access
- Discussion and questions

BREAK - 10.30 - 10.40

7. RISK, LIABILITY AND INSURANCE - 10.40 - 12.00

- Laws Governing Liability (Risk and Fault)
- Liability for Debris and Obligation not to Create
- Active Debris Removal - Remediation vs Mitigation
- Insurance
- Discussion and questions

LUNCH - 12.00 - 12.45

8. CURRENT AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS - 12.45 - 14.00

- Constellations, Small Satellites
- Focus on Applications
- Extra-terrestrial habitation
- Artemis Accords
- Discussion and questions

BREAK - 14.00 - 14.10

9. CURRENT AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS - 14.10 - 15.10

- EU and ESA Relationship
- UK ESA and EU Relationship
- Space Powers Mid-century, US, China, Russia, India, Japan, EU
- Discussion and questions

BREAK - 15.10 - 15.20

10. MILITARY USES AND SECURITY - 15.20 - 16.30

- Military support functions and Space Weapons
- Space a "war-fighting" domain
- Role of Cyber, Drones and Robotics
- Environmental and humanitarian factors
- Small Satellite Constellations potential and risks
- Discussion and questions

WEDNESDAY 13 OCTOBER 2021

11. SPACE HAZARDS AND SAFETY - 09.15 - 10.30

- Space hazards - Man made and natural: Meteorites, Debris
- Space Situational Awareness and Space Traffic Management
- Space Weather
- Discussion and questions

BREAK - 10.30 - 10.40

12. SPACE HAZARDS AND SAFETY - 10.40 - 12.00

- Debris Reduction and Elimination Measures
- Responsible Behaviour, Transparency and Confidence Building Measures
- Terrestrial environmental impact
- Discussion and questions

LUNCH - 12.00 - 12.45

13. CASE STUDIES - 12.45 - 13.45

- Recovery and Return
- Debris (liability, sovereignty, space situational awareness and other concepts)
- Mining (Commercial & State participation, property rights, potential pollution from space, appropriation and the issue of territory vs. resources, and other concepts)
- Active Debris Removal

14. REVIEW & CONCLUSION - 13.45 - 15.00

- Course Summary, Discussion and conclusion

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The Discussants may join the discussion when appropriate.