

ISPL EXPERT SEMINAR SERIES

SERIES ON SPACE SECTOR APPLICATION OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS THEORIES

SEMINAR I

CLASSICAL REALISM

ONLINE

WEDNESDAY 23 NOVEMBER 2022

THE SERIES

International collaboration, cooperation and conflict among states and other actors is commonplace in the space sector. Interstate cooperation is a fundamental principle of the Outer Space Treaty. However, many of the related discussions and research activities do not make exhaustive use of the plethora of International Relations (IR) theories available.

This Expert Seminar Series aims to **facilitate the use of International Relations (IR) theories in the space sector**. Attendees will improve their ability to (1) assess past and current international space engagements and (2) predict future developments, allowing for better planning and reducing misunderstandings.

In particular, this Series' specialised seminars taught by IR experts will instruct attendees in the application of prominent IR theories such as **Classical Realism, Neorealism, Neoliberalism, Regime Theory, and Social Constructivism**.

SEMINAR I

Seminar I focuses on the application of **Classical Realism**. It can be especially useful in (1) assessing and (2) predicting interstate rivalry and conflict in the space sector.

Learning targets encompass

- a) familiarisation with **Classical Realism's** analytical tools, and
- b) capability to employ these tools in international space relations.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This Expert Seminar Series is particularly appropriate for those who wish to gain or increase their knowledge of the practical application of IR theories in the space sector:

- Decision-makers and researchers in government and international institutions
- Space agency personnel
- Military personnel
- Lawyers and jurists
- Commercial and consulting firm members
- Investors, insurers, bankers and executives requiring an understanding of international relations in evaluating space related risk and liability
- Managers and team leaders involved in international engagement
- Academics and post-graduate students in Political Science and International Law
- Others engaged or interested in international relations

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

LECTURER: <u>CHRISTOPH BEISCHL, PHD*</u>	
ONLINE VIA WEBEX	
12:30-12:35 (5min): <u>Welcome</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome message • Seminar overview
12:35-12:50 (15min): <u>Session 1</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short introduction to the development of Classical Realism <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ <u>Learning target:</u> Knowledge of historical background and core literature
12:50-13:35 (45min): <u>Session 2</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Classical Realism's analytical tools <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ <u>Learning target:</u> Familiarisation with these tools
13:35-13:50 (15min): <u>Break</u>	
13:50-15:20 (90min): <u>Session 3</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guidance on application of Classical Realism's analytical tools through selected examples of international relations in the space sector, including presentation by lecturer, short breakout training session, and group discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ <u>Learning target:</u> Capability to employ these tools in international space relations, including understanding of its potential and limitations
15:20-15:35 (15min): <u>Break</u>	
15:35-16:20 (45min): <u>Session 4</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion; Q&A
16:20-16:25 (5min): <u>Outro</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concluding remarks

**Christoph is the ISPL Associate Deputy Director, a long-standing IR researcher, and a member of the International Institute of Space Law. His current research focuses on UK and East Asian Space Politics, Policy and Law; Institutionalised Space Cooperation; Space Terminology; Responsible Behaviour in Space, from Space Safety to Space Security; and Privacy Considerations in the Space Sector. He holds a PhD from the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, University of London, supervised by ISPL and having examined the potential to establish an Asian Space Agency from a Liberal IR perspective. He graduated with a Magister Artium in Political Science (major), Law and Modern & Contemporary History (minors) from the University of Munich, Germany. His major involved training in various IR theories.*

FURTHER NOTES

- Prior knowledge of IR theories is not necessary. There is also no required reading before the Seminar. A concise literature list will be sent to all participants around one week before the Seminar to support self-study.
- Slides presented by the lecturer will be provided following the Seminar.
- The lecturer will answer any follow-up questions for two weeks following the Seminar via email.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION (CPD)

- This Seminar qualifies for CPD for Solicitors and for Barristers in England and Wales.
 - Other professionals: please contact your respective professional bodies about whether this Seminar will qualify for CPD.
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HOW TO APPLY

- Applications are on a first-come, first-served basis. Places are limited to allow full participation and interaction with participants.
 - Apply by a message to Events@ispl.org providing
 - *Subject: IR Expert Seminar, Classical Realism, 23 Nov 2022*
 - *Your name:*
 - *Preferred title:*
 - *Job title or occupation:*
 - *Organisation:*
 - *Work email:*
 - On receiving your application we will send an invoice with details of payment, cancellation, refund and other terms. We will confirm your place on the Seminar on receipt of payment.
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FEE

- £250 per person No VAT is payable.
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