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Space law for the future - requirements and thoughts

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The Heritage of International Space Law

- More than 50 years of successful space law making (50th anniversary of the Outer Space Treaty in 2017) with contributions from IISL for even 60 years
- International Space Law has been providing a stable order for the exploration and uses of outer space
- The principles of International Space Law have been respected by space actors
- UNCOPUOS has been performing successfully its role as key forum for the development of space law



Today's Challenges to International Space Law

- Maintaining peaceful uses of outer space
- Providing a sound regulatory framework for commercial and private uses of outer space
- Maintain the principles of space as a "province of all mankind"
- Dealing with a growing amount of space debris and operations in near-Earth outer space
- Guaranteeing the coherence of space law development on the international level (UNCOPUOS, ITU etc.) and the national level (harmonized national space legislation and regulation)



The Future of International Space Law

- Providing transparency and confidence-building
- Regulating the behaviour in outer space (long-term sustainability and space traffic management)
- Providing a fair and reasonable regulatory framework for the global space economy

Maintaining the Rule of Law in outer space!