
COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF
OUTER SPACE

Scientific and Technical Subcommittee

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Agenda item 6

**Implementation of the
recommendations of UNISPACE III**

**LIST OF ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED IN THE
WORKING GROUP OF THE WHOLE**

United Nations Programme on Space Applications

(General Assembly resolution 62/217, para. 13)

1. Workshops, seminars, training courses and symposia organized within the framework of the Programme
2. Long-term fellowships for in-depth training
3. Technical advisory services

Reference document: A/AC.105/900 (Report of the Expert on Space Applications)

Implementation of the recommendations of UNISPACE III

(General Assembly resolution 62/217, para. 13)

1. Status of the implementation of the recommendations of the UNISPACE III: the Working Group will have before it a document containing a report on the status of the implementation of the recommendations of UNISPACE III in tabular form, based on the results of the deliberations on that issue in the Working Group in the period 2005-2007 as well as contributions received from member States of the Committee, entities of the United Nations system and other organizations having permanent observer status with the Committee during that period and in reply to note verbale CU 2007/160 of November 2007 (see A/AC.105/890, Annex I, paragraphs 13 and 14);
 - See document A/AC.105/C.1/2008/CRP.3



2. Discussion of the further implementation of the recommendations of UNISPACE III, including the option to identify areas of focus for the Working Group (from among those contained in the Committee's plan of action, A/59/174, pages 55-77);
3. The Working Group will also have before it a document containing information received from Member States on national initiatives on education and opportunities for greater participation of youth in space science and technology (see A/AC.105/890, Annex I, paragraph 7);
 - See document A/AC.105/C.1/2008/CRP.4
4. At its fiftieth session, in 2007, the Committee reviewed and finalized its contribution to the issues to be addressed by the Commission on Sustainable Development in the period 2008-2009 (A/AC.105/892). The Committee agreed to continue contributing to the policy year of each of the two-year cycles of the multi-year programme of work of the Commission on Sustainable Development and to consider its contribution to the work of the Commission in the period 2010-2011 at its session in 2008 and 2009 (see A/62/20, paragraph 63). The Working Group will discuss a plan for optimizing the contributions of the Committee to the thematic clusters.

Space-system-based disaster management support

The Committee agreed that progress reports on SPIDER and its future workplans should be considered by the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee under a regular agenda item on space-system-based disaster management support and that the agenda item should be included in the list of issues to be considered by its Working Group of the Whole. The Committee also agreed that the Office should report to the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee, at its forty-fifth session, on the activities carried out by SPIDER in 2007 (A/62/20, para. 155).

Draft provisional agenda of the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee at its forty-sixth session, in 2009

(General Assembly resolution 62/217, para. 13)

1. In paragraph 11 of its resolution 62/217, the General Assembly noted that the Subcommittee, at its forty-fifth session, would submit its proposal to the Committee for a draft provisional agenda for the forty-sixth session of the Subcommittee, in 2009. In accordance with an agreement reached by the Committee at its forty-second session, discussion under this item should include identification of subjects to be dealt with as single issues/items for discussion or under multi-year workplans.

The following items are currently before the Subcommittee:

Regular Items

- 1) *General exchange of views and introduction of reports submitted on national activities*
- 2) *United Nations Programme on Space Applications*
- 3) *Implementation of the recommendations of the Third United Nations Conference on the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (UNISPACE III)*

- 4) *Matters relating to remote sensing of the Earth by satellite, including applications for developing countries and monitoring of the Earth's environment*
- 5) *Space debris*
- 6) *Space-system-based disaster management support*
- 7) *Recent developments in global navigation satellite systems*

Items to be considered under work plans:

- 8) *Use of nuclear power sources in outer space*
- 9) *Near-Earth objects*
- 10) *International Heliophysical Year 2007*

Single issues/items for discussion:

- 11) *Examination of the physical nature and technical attributes of the geostationary orbit and its utilization and applications, including in the field of space communications, as well as other questions relating to developments in space communications, taking particular account of the needs and interests of developing countries*

2. 2009 IAF Symposium

According to the new arrangement, IAF will organize the symposium during the forty-sixth session, in 2009. Potential topics for the theme of that symposium, to be proposed by IAF, will be before the Working Group of the Whole for its consideration (A/AC.105/890, annex I, para. 24).