Current Status of Education and Research on Space Law in China

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Framework

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I. Institutes of Space Law

- I.I Institutes of Space Law in Universities
- I.II Chinese Institute of Space Law (CISL)
1.1 Institutes of Space Law in Universities

- i. Institute of Space Law of Beihang University (BUAA)
  - 2001
  - 12 regular faculty members
  - Regional Center for Space Science and Technology in Asia-Pacific Area in Beihang University

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1.1 Institutes of Space Law in Universities

- ii. Institute of Space Law of Harbin Institute of Technology (HIT)
  - 2005
  - 7 regular faculty members
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- iii. Institute of Space Law of Beijing Institute of Technology (BIT)
  - 2006
  - 5 researchers

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I.1 Institutes of Space Law in Universities
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iv. Research Center of Air and Space Law, China University of Political Science and Law (CUPL)
   - 2007
   - 6 regular faculty members
1.1 Institutes of Space Law in Universities

v. objectives and functions

- To conduct and promote space law research and teaching;
- To contribute to the drafting of national space law and policy;
- To offer legal advices for domestic space industry
1.1 Institutes of Space Law in Universities

v. objectives and functions
1.11 Chinese Institute of Space Law (CISL)

- 1992
- 185 members
- more than 50 different institutes
- mission of CISL
I.11 Chinese Institute of Space Law (CISL)

- **Mission of CISL**
  - Serving as a platform to link and unite space law professionals across China and beyond;
  - Serving as a bridge to link government agencies and space law professionals;
  - Promoting the philosophy of “rule of law” for space activities so as to increase the competitiveness of this industry;
  - Promoting academic research concerning space strategy, space policy as well as space law;
  - Improving the awareness of space law among the general public as well as among the space community.

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II. Education Programme for Students

- II.I. Courses in space law
- II.II. Degree offered programme
- II.III. International communication for students in space law
II. Education Programme for Students

II.I. Courses in space law

i. space law as a charter of international law, which is a compulsory course (4 class hours)
   - more than 600 law schools
   - approximately 40,000 students each year

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II. Education Programme for Students

II.I. Courses in space law

ii. space law as an independent course

- BUAA, BIT, HIT, CUPL, Shenzhen University;
- compulsory or selective;
- more than 400 undergraduates and graduates every year

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## Outline of Space Law Course of BIT

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II. Education Programme for Students

II.I. Courses in space law

   iii. Moot Court Training Course
      - BIT, CUPL;
      - CUPL has won the champion in national round for three times;
      - BIT has won the champion twice.

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II. Education Programme for Students

II.II. Degree offered programme in space law

i. doctor degree (Ph.D)

ii. master degree (LL.M)

iii. degree programme for international students
   - LL.M co-sponsored by APSCO and BIT

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II. Education Programme for Students

II.III. International communication for students in space law

i. Manfred Lachs International Moot Court Competition

- Chinese team, since 2003;
- Tsinghua University, CUPL, HIT, BIT, Zhongnan University Of Economics & Law, Beijing Foreign Studies University and City University of Hong Kong;
- a runner-up prize and the best oralist award in 2013, Asia-Pacific Round

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II. Education Programme for Students

a runner-up prize, 2013

best oralist award, 2013

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II.III. International communication for students in space law

ii. U.S.--China Students Space Law Forum

- since 2010, U.S.;
- co-host by National Center for Remote Sensing, Air and Space Law, Mississippi, Institute of Space Law of BIT and HIT;
- 2011, in China;
- 2012, in U.S.
II. Education Programme for Students

1st symposium in 2010, Olemiss, U.S.

2nd symposium in 2011, BIT, China
III. Research platforms and achievements in space law

- III. I Journals or special column in journals on space law
- III. II The monographs, textbooks in space law
- III. III The research projects on space law
III. Research platforms and achievements in space law

- III. I Journals or special column in journals on space law
  - i. Space Law Newsletter, CISL, 2001;
  - iii. Chinese Yearbook for Space Law, BIT, 2009;
  - iv. Special column in Journals
III. Research platforms and achievements in space law

- III. II The monographs, textbooks in space law
  - Outer Space Law, 2000;

Huang Huikang

He Qizhi
III. Research platforms and achievements in space law

- III. II The monographs, textbooks in space law
  - New Comments on International Space Law, 2006;
  - Comments on Space Law, 2006;

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III. Research platforms and achievements in space law

- III. II The monographs, textbooks in space law
  - The Outline of Space Law, 2007;
  - Research on the Legal Issues Relevant to Space Launching Activities, 2008;
  - Introduction to the Law of Outer Space, 2009;
  - A dozen monographs and textbooks

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III. Research platforms and achievements in space law

III. III The research projects on space law

- 50 research projects;
- China Institute of Space Law (CISL) has sponsored 28 research projects, including 24 regular ones and 4 ad hoc ones.
III. Research platforms and achievements in space law

CISL, The 8 Academic Projects for 2011 are as follows:

- Impact Analysis of US & European Space Policies on China’s Space industry development;
- Impact Analysis of China’s Accessing to the Space Assets Protocol;
- Impact Analysis of Accessing to the Space Assets Protocol on China’s Satellite Applications Industry;
- Study on Legal Issues concerning the Military Use of Outer Space;
- Study on Legal and Policy Issues Concerning International Collaboration Projects for China’s Manned Space Station;
- Study on the European Code of Conduct Governing Outer Space Activities;
- Study on Issues of the “Long Term Sustainability” for Outer Space Activities

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III. Research platforms and achievements in space law

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- Study on Legal Issues concerning Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS);
- Study on Legal Issues for the Industry of Commercial Remote Sensing Satellites;
- Study on Legal Regime Issues for China’s Space Activities;
- Study on Legal Issues for China’s Manned Space Activities;
- Study on Legal Issues of International Trade for Space Projects/products;
- Study on Legal Issues of Intellectual Property Rights Protection in times of Commercialization of Space Activities;
- Study on Developing International Commercial Launch Service Opportunities from Legal and Policy perspectives;
- Study on Legal Issues for International Interests Protection in Space Activities.
any comment or question is welcome

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