



United Nations/Nigeria Workshop on Space Law

**“Meeting international responsibilities and
addressing domestic needs”**

**21-24 November 2005
Abuja, Nigeria**

Rockview Hotel (Royale), Plot 374/789
Cad Zone A8, Adetokunbo Ademola Crescent, Wuse II
Abuja, Nigeria

PROGRAMME

**MONDAY
21 NOVEMBER 2005
OPENING**

08h30-09h00
Registration

08h30-10h00

09h00-10h00
Opening of workshop and welcoming statements
R. A. Boroffice, Director-General/Chief Executive, National Space Research and Development Agency, Nigeria
Natercia Rodrigues, United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs

**SESSION 1
International Space Law**

Chair
Sergio Marchisio
Italy, Chairman, Legal Subcommittee 2004-2005

10h00-11h00
International legal regime on outer space: Outer Space Treaty, Rescue Agreement and the Moon Agreement
Vladimir Kopal, Czech Republic, Chairman, Legal Subcommittee 1999-2003

10h00-13h00

11h00-11h30
Discussion

11h30-11h45
Coffee Break

11h45-12h30
International legal regime on outer space: Liability Convention and Registration Convention
Sergio Marchisio, Italy, Chairman, Legal Subcommittee 2004-2005

12h30-13h00
Discussion

13h00-14h30

Lunch

14h30-18h00

14h30-15h15
United Nations Principles on Outer Space
Ram Jakhu, Institute of Air and Space Law, McGill University, Canada

15h15-16h00
Brief overview of the work of the Legal Subcommittee and the United Nations Register of Objects Launched into Outer Space
Natercia Rodrigues, United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs

16h00-16h30

Discussion

16h30-16h45

Coffee Break

16h45-17h30

Benefits of becoming party to the Treaties and conducting activities in accordance with the Principles

Panel Discussion

Maurice N. Andem, Institute of Air & Space Law, University of Lapland, Rovaniemi, Finland

José Monserrat Filho, Associação Brasileira de Direito Aeronáutico e Espacial, Brazil

Sergio Marchisio, Italy, Chairman, Legal Subcommittee 2004-2005

Kenneth Hodgkins, Department of State, United States of America

17h30-18h00

Discussion

TUESDAY

22 NOVEMBER 2005

SESSION 2

National Space Law and Policy

Chair

Frans von der Dunk

International Institute of Air and Space Law

Leiden University, The Netherlands

09h00-13h00

09h00-10h45

Overview of national space laws and policies

Joanne I. Gabrynowicz, National Remote Sensing and Space Law Centre, United States of America

Ganiy Agbaje, National Space Research and Development Agency, Nigeria

José Monserrat Filho, Associação Brasileira de Direito Aeronáutico e Espacial, Brazil

10h45-11h00

Coffee Break

11h00-11h25

Overview of national space laws and policies (continued)

Mothibi Ramusi, Department of Trade and Industry, South Africa

11h25-11h50

Developing national space policy and strategies

Henry Hertzfeld, Space Policy Institute, George Washington University

11h50-12h20

Fundamental provisions for national space laws

Frans von der Dunk, International Institute of Air and Space Law, Leiden University, The Netherlands

12h20-13h00

Discussion

13h00-14h30

Lunch

SESSION 3

Coordinating national space-related activities

Chair

R. A. Boroffice

National Space Research and Development Agency

Nigeria

14h30-15h00

Ways and means of coordinating national space-related activities

Kenneth Hodgkins, Department of State, United States of America

15h00-15h15

Coffee Break

15h15-16h45

Ways and means of coordinating national space-related activities: the African experience

14h30-18h00

R. A. Boroffice, National Space Research and Development Agency, Nigeria

Peter Martinez, Co-ordinator, National Working Group on Space Science and Technology, South Africa

Nassim Haned, Algerian Space Agency

Hamid Tadlaoui, Morocco

16h45-17h15

Discussion

17h15-18h00

National space-related activities, education and institutions in Africa

Anas Osman, President, National Research Institute of Astronomy and Geophysics (NRIAG), Egypt

Akwasi Ayensu, Deputy-Director General, Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, Ghana

Harun R. Muturi, Chief Science Secretary, National Council for Science and Technology, Kenya

**WEDNESDAY
23 NOVEMBER 2005**

**SESSION 4
Other space-related legal issues**

*Chair
Peter Martinez
National Working Group on Space Science and Technology
South Africa*

09h00-09h40
Legal and regulatory developments in Aeronautical Communications and Navigation
Tare Brisibe, National Space Research and Development Agency, Nigeria

09h40-09h50
Discussion

09h50-10h30
Remote sensing data dissemination policy and national implementing legislation
*Joanne I. Gabrynowicz, National Remote Sensing and Space Law Centre,
United States of America*

09h00-13h00

10h30-10h40
Discussion

10h40-11h10
ITU regulations and procedures
Shola Taylor, Kemilinks International

11h10-11h20
Discussion

11h20-11h35
Coffee Break

11h35-12h05
Intellectual Property Law and Space Activities
Bradford Lee Smith, Alcatel

12h05-12h15
Discussion

12h15-12h45
Space Insurance
Segun Yerokun, Lagos State University, Nigeria

12h45-13h00
Discussion

13h00-14h30 Lunch

14h30-15h00
Draft protocol on matters specific to space assets to the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment
Tinuade Oyekunle, Correspondent for the International Institute for the Unification of Private Law (Unidroit)

14h30-15h10

15h00-15h10
Discussion

SESSION 5

Promoting education in space law

Chair
Maurice N. Andem
Institute of Air & Space Law, Finland

15h10-16h05

Education courses/opportunities in Space Law

Maurice N. Andem, Institute of Air & Space Law, University of Lapland, Rovaniemi, Finland

Sergio Marchisio, European Centre for Space Law

Ram Jakhu, Institute of Air and Space Law, McGill University, Canada

Joanne I. Gabrynowicz, National Remote Sensing and Space Law Centre, United States of America

Frans von der Dunk, International Institute of Air and Space Law, Leiden University, The Netherlands

Henry Hertzfeld, Space Policy Institute, George Washington University

15h10-18h00

16h05-16h30

Ways and means of promoting education in space law in Africa
Justine White, University of Witwatersrand, South Africa

16h30-17h05
Discussion

17h05-17h30

Core elements of an education curriculum on space law

Frans von der Dunk, International Institute of Air and Space Law, Leiden University, The Netherlands

17h30-18h00
Discussion

**THURSDAY
24 NOVEMBER 2005**

SESSION 6

Recommendations, observations and conclusions of the Workshop

Chair

Vladimir Kopal

Chairman, Legal Subcommittee, 1999-2003

09h00-12h00

09h00-11h45

Finalization of the recommendations, observations and conclusions of the Workshop

11h45-12h00

Conclusion of the Workshop