

**Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space**

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## **MOON VILLAGE ASSOCIATION STATEMENT**

### **Agenda Item 4: General Exchange of view**

Mister Chair, Distinguished Delegates,

It is an honour for the Moon Village Association, as an Observer member, to address this session of the COPUOS

As the MVA Delegation takes the floor for the first time, we would like to congratulate you for your appointment as Chair of COPUOS. Under your wise leadership, important results will be achieved in 2025 and this session will reach fruitful results. My delegation would also like to extend its gratitude to the Director of UNOOSA, Dr. Aarti Holla-Maini, and her team for the excellent operation of this meeting.

Mister Chair,

MVA has carried out many activities since the last COPUOS. I will summarize just a few of them, while more can be found in the A/AC.105/2025/CRP.18 and on our website: [\[www.moonvillageassociation.org\]](http://www.moonvillageassociation.org)

The third International Moon Day took place in July 2024 with the involvement of more than 40 countries for global events. The main event took place on 20 July in Harbin, China. This was hosted by the Harbin Institute of Technology and the Chinese Society of Astronautics. Details of the events can be found in the annual report available on the IMD website [\[https://internationalmoonday.org/international-moon-day-2024-annual-report/\]](https://internationalmoonday.org/international-moon-day-2024-annual-report/)

The International Moon Day 2025 is themed “One Moon, one vision, one future”, this reflects the united ambition of humanity to explore, innovate and create a sustainable future together.

We cordially invite all members and observers of COPUOS to participate in this important event by submitting proposal for Global Events. Event registration, sponsorship opportunities, and other relevant information can be found on the IMD website,

The main event, is set to take place in Dubai, UEA on July 20, 2025, in cooperation with the University of Dubai. This event will bring together world experts to foster cooperation in the lunar exploration and utilization and it will be live broadcasted on the MVA website

Mr. Chair,

In 2024, the 8<sup>th</sup> Global Moon Village Workshop & Symposium was successfully held in Luxembourg, hosted by the Luxembourg Space Agency. This event attracted participation from over 150 individuals and Industry from all the world.

In 2025, the 9th Global Moon Village Workshop & Symposium is scheduled to be held in Turin, Italy on December 3 and 4 December. This event will be hosted by Italian Association of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIDAA).

The Moon Village Association has recently issued the [Sponsorship Opportunities brochure](#), available on the MVA website, where Distinguished Delegates you can find how to be part of this unique platform that is MVA.

Thank you for your attention,

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