UNOOSA/APSCO Project for Capacity Building in Drafting of National Space Legislation for APSCO Member States

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About APSCO

• A non-profit, International, Inter-governmental organization
• Purpose is to promoting multilateral cooperation in space science, technology and applications
• China is the Host Country
• Headquarters is located in Beijing China
• Diplomatic Status in China
• 12 Members

  **Full Members:** Bangladesh, China, Iran, Mongolia, Pakistan, Peru, Thailand, Türkiye
  **Signatory:** Indonesia (ratification in process)
  **Associate Member:** Egypt (ratification in process)
  **Observer:** Mexico, Inter - Islamic Network on Space Sciences and Technology (ISNET)

• Cooperative Partnership with IAF, ESA, Argentina, Russia
China, Pakistan and Thailand came up with the idea of Multilateral Cooperation in 1988. The AP-MCSTA Workshop was held in Beijing in 1992, and a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed. The APSCO Convention was signed by 9 Member States in 2005 and 2006. APSCO was formally established in 2008. The 10 years Anniversary of APSCO was celebrated in 2018. In 2022, Islamabad Joint Statement was issued.
Pooling up technical, financial and human resources in space development of collaborative space programs & space capabilities

Multiplying benefits

Enhance Space capabilities of MS and Region

promote industrialization of space technology and its applications
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Overview of the Activity

Phase-I: Development/Research
- Desk based baseline assessment
- Conduct initial engagement to map out self-identified needs
- New Space Actors Questionnaire

Phase-II: Training course development
- Develop tailored list of key factors, training and outreach materials
- Develop key components for targeted capacity-building activities
- Mandatory E-learning Courses

Phase-III: Deliver on-site workshop
- 4 days technical Training
- Interim report
- Post-session consultation services

Phase-VI: Evaluation
- Evaluate and identify the further needs
- Evaluate project impact
- Summarizing project impact and recommendations for further action

Interim report
Post-session consultation services
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Timeline

Feb 2022
 Signing the agreement

August 2022
 ▪ August 2022
 ▪ Dedicated kick-off meetings with each Member State were organized

August-December 2022
 ▪ Phase I: Development/Research
 ▪ circulated the questionnaire and collected the feedback
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- March 2023
  - Negotiation meeting with each Member State on the submitted questionnaire
- April 2023
  - Phase II: Training course development
- 12-15 June 2023
  - Phase III: Deliver on-site workshop
- June- Onwards 3 months
  - Phase-VI: Evaluation
  - Post Consultation
  - Compilation of booklet for each Member State
Outcomes of the Project

- Provide comprehensive capacity building to Member States of APSCO for developing National Space Legislation
- Assess the needs of APSCO Member States and offer help in drafting National Space Law/Policy, and the implementation of international space treaties
- Raise national and regional awareness levels of the fundamental principles of international space law
- Facilitate Member States to have interaction with expertise, seek consultancy and learn about important aspects related to the development of National Space Legislation
THANK YOU!