Global education and young generation activities 
in the field of space law by the 
International Institute of Space Law (IISL)

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IISL’s prime mission:

Expanding the rule of law in outer space!

For the current and the future generations.

Aiming at prosperity for all in a responsible, equitable and inspirational way.

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IISL

- Created in 1960.
- Members from almost 50 countries from all continents.
- The main global platform of space lawyers in academic, government, industry and practice.
- Continuously extending activities and formats (Colloquia, Symposia, Knowledge Constellation, Happy Hour and many more).
- Continuously striving for relevance in space law making.
- Continuously striving for engaging the youth (Young Scholars Sessions and Symposia, Moot Court Competition).
Our activities!

https://youtu.be/PcRA_dI3iEs
Our community!
Education and capacity-building through IISL

Traditional elements of IISL’s activities, through:
- Distinguished academics as members of IISL and its Board, providing a platform for exchanges in academic training around the world.
- Particular focus on next generation at key IISL activities, as the “Young Scholars Session” being the first session in the IAC Colloquium on Space Law organised by IISL.
- This year, the Nandasiri Jasentuliyanakan Keynote Lecture will be given by young scholars from five world regions on a joint perspective of future space law.
- Young scholars and members of IISL took the initiative to set up the “Knowledge Constellation”, the first digital space law encyclopaedia for the 21st century.
Another format of capacity building

IISL/ECSL Symposia at the sessions of the UNCOPUOS Legal Subcommittee:
- providing multi-stakeholder, regionally balanced, neutral expert information on topical issues to the delegations,
- often leading to new agenda items and concrete actions.
IISL’s special tribute to Judge Manfred Lachs (Member and President of the International Court of Justice and President of IISL from 1990-1993):
The IISL Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition
The importance and relevance of the IISL Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition

- Only global space law moot court competition.
- Covering the globe with five regions.
- Extremely prestigious and exciting through 3 ICJ Judges presiding over the World Finals.
- Most important tool for engaging and inspiring the young generation of space lawyers. Linking people inside regions and across regions.
- Through the cases, developing new ideas and perspectives on practical implementation of space law.
What IISL aims at in the near future:

Increased relevance in promoting the rule of law in outer space & expansion as the prime platform for space lawyers of all generations through:

- Strengthening our relevance for the academic sector, for practitioners in the private sector and for law-maker in governments, legislations and international bodies (IISL/ECSL Symposia leading to LSC agenda items, studies, statements, Proceedings as top global resource).

- Digital transformation of IISL (accelerated through Covid: GA, elections) and new participatory formats (Knowledge Constellation, Happy Hour).

- Extension and inclusiveness (presence in all world regions: LA Round, China Workshop, Space Symposium CO).

- Generational change (ongoing in Board and membership, with even stronger age, gender and regional diversity; ethics charter).
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