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Legal Regimes of Aviation, Space and Telecommunications - A Comparison

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Public International Air Law (Basic principles) Convention on International Civil Aviation
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- Nationality of aircraft
- Conditions for aircraft in international aerial navigation, crews and passengers
- International co-operation and facilitation

Private International Air Law - Warsaw Convention and Protocols; Montreal Convention; UNIDROIT Convention (Aircraft Protocol)

Private Air Law
Evolving Space Law

International law (Custom, Treaties, UN GA Resolutions)

National Laws adopted by individual space faring States (Intellectual property, Contracts, Foreign Investment, Insurance, Export Controls, Telecommunications, Data Protection, etc.)
### Space Law

**UN GA Resolution 1962 (XVIII)**

1. **Principle 1** - Exploration and use for the benefit and in the interests of all mankind
2. **Principle 2** - Freedom of exploration and use in accordance with international law
3. **Principle 3** - Non-appropriation
4. **Principle 4** - Exploration and use of outer space in accordance with international law, and Charter of the United Nations
5. **Principle 5** - International responsibility for national activities in outer space
6. **Principle 6** - Cooperation and mutual assistance
7. **Principle 7** - Jurisdiction, control and Ownership
8. **Principle 8** - International liability for damage
9. **Principle 9** - Astronauts as envoys of mankind

### 1967 Outer Space Treaty

1. **Exploration and use for the benefit and in the interests of all mankind** - Article I
2. **Principle of non-appropriation** - Article II
3. **Compliance with International Law and Charter of the United Nations** - Article III
4. **Weapons of mass destruction** - Article IV
5. **Astronauts as envoys of mankind** - Article V
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Space Radiocommunications (I)

Principles and Regulations - Constitution of the ITU; Convention of the ITU; ITU Radio Regulations

- frequency spectrum allocations to radiocommunications service categories
- establishing rights and obligations of States in obtaining access to spectrum/orbit resources
- international rights recognition, recording frequency assignments and orbital information on GSO / NGSO space stations, in Master International Frequency Register, or by their conformity with a Plan
Space Radiocommunications (II)

ITU World Radiocommunications Conference 2023 Agenda Items (Space related)

1.2 IMT in 3/6/7/10 GHz
1.3 Mobile Service in 3600-3800 MHz in Region 1
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Concluding Remarks

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Interrelationships
Lessons Learned and Experiences
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