United Nations Inter-Agency Meeting on Outer Space Activities

United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs: Partnerships and Cooperation with Non-State Actors Lorant Czaran



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UN Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA)

Vision:

 Bringing the benefits of space to humankind

Mission Statement:

 The core business of the Office is to promote international cooperation in the use of outer space to achieve development goals





Organizational Structure of the Office





The uniqueness of UNOOSA

Capacity-Builder UNOOSA aims to bring the benefits of space to humankind by building space capacity of nonspacefaring countries, particularly developing countries.

Global Facilitator

UNOOSA plays a leading and facilitating role in the global promotion of peaceful uses of outer space.

Gateway to Outer Space in the UN UNOOSA is the main UN agency on space matters and facilitates the coordination of UN agencies' activities for using space-related technologies for improving the human condition around the world (UN-Space).





Space and Sustainable Development Goals

- Space technology can help us address **global challenges** and achieve **the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**
- UNOOSA / European GNSS Agency (GSA) publication:
 - Role of space technologies in fulfillment of SDGs
 - 65 of the 169 SDG targets (almost 40%) are reliant on the use of space
 - 38 cases and best practices
 - Published in January 2018
- One joint vision has to be employed to protect space as a limited resource for the benefit of humankind
- All countries and all stakeholders act in collaborative partnership to implement the **2030 Agenda**





December 2017: UN GA agreed that UNOOSA should pursue greater engagement with industry and private sector entities to further their support for and contributions to the overall work of the Office (A/RES/72/77)



26 October 2018:

GA resolution on UNISPACE+50: Space as a driver of sustainable development Acknowledges the importance of global partnership and strengthened cooperation among MS, IGOs and NGOs, industry and private sector entities in fulfilling the "Space2030" agenda and its implementation plan

COPUOS to develop "Space2030" agenda for consideration by GA in 2020



Partnerships with Space Agencies KiboCUBE (JAXA)

- UNOOSA and JAXA provide access to space to developing countries. One free deployment per year of a 1U Cubesat from the Japanese ISS Kibo module
 - First launch: University of Nairobi, Kenya (May 2018)
 - Forthcoming: The Universidad del Valle de Guatemala, Mauritius Research Council
 - 4th Round is now open

Agreement with China Manned Space Agency

 Provide flight experiment and space application opportunities on board China's space station for scientists from UN and MSs; and flight opportunities for astronauts and/or payload engineers from other countries to conduct hands-on experiments





Airbus

Pursue activities in the field of capacity-building in the utilization of the International Space Station (ISS), microgravity and Bartolomeo Project

Bartolomeo

• A free slot (a 3U-cubesat class payload) getting full Bartolomeo All-in-One Space Mission Service



 Free reservation of a slot for a 3U-CubeSat class single-payload on the 2020 or 2021 multipayload ArgUS platform

Earth Observation

- Provide sample satellite data for proof-of-concept demonstrations and crisis response, and, as required, to support professional trainings of operational staff of UN and MSs
- To jointly build capacity in developed and developing countries aimed at using of Earth Observation and derived data (including training sessions, workshops, data, case studies..)
- Peshghor Floors in Afghanistan First successful activation of the MoU for a satellite imagery supporting disaster risk reduction after floods hit Afghanistan in July 2018



DigitalGlobe

- UNOOSA and DigitalGlobe will stock their combined expertise in the use of the Earth observation technologies for economic, social and scientific development and improved decisionmaking, particularly in the developing countries;
- Work together to develop an online platform to provide easy access to imagery catalogues as well as data and analytical services;
- DigitalGlobe is a
 DigitalGlobe will provide advisory services on remote sensing business unit of Maxar imagery and geospatial analytics;
- Cooperation will also extend to DigitalGlobe's participation in relevant UNOOSA-supported events





Sierra Nevada Corporation

- Offer United Nations Member States the opportunity to participate in an orbital space mission utilizing SNC's Dream Chaser[®] space vehicle
- UNOOSA will offer technical support to countries which lack expertise and experience in developing microgravity payloads



- Opportunity for landing UN mission in any licensed member state that is supplying the payload on the mission
- Target goal is to provide developing countries with the opportunity to develop and fly microgravity payloads for an extended duration in orbit.
- Launch expected in the 2022



Partnership for Space-based Information for Disaster Management and Emergency Response

UN-SPIDER Network of Regional Support Offices





Partnership for Space for Water

MoU between UNOOSA and PSIPW (2016):

- Prince Sultan Bin Abdulaziz International Prize for Water
- Collaboration to promote the use of space-based technology for increased access to water

Space 4 Water Portal

- Platform for interdisciplinary knowledge exchange on space technologies and water-related topics
- Inclusive portal to bring together organizations active in the field to share information on projects, initiatives, software, community portals, capacity-building, training possibilities, conferences, workshops and datasets, as well as news and publications in the sector
- Endeavour to foster interoperability and the sharing of resources

Space for Water



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