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GENERAL INFORMATION

This Newsletter contains an update about the Institute's activities of the past months and those that are forthcoming. Hyperlinks allow for easy connection to the relevant page on the IISL website. We recommend that you regularly visit the IISL website for the latest information about the Institute and its activities, [http://www.iislweb.org/](http://www.iislweb.org)

We would like to call your particular attention to the following:

- **56th IISL Colloquium Abstract Deadline is 21 February 2013. Session topics can be found in this Newsletter. The abstracts need to be submitted at <http://www.iafastro.org/index.php/events/iac/iac-2013>**
- **Call for rapporteurs to the 56th IISL Colloquium on the Law of outer Space in Beijing, China. If you are interested please contact PJ Blount, Assistant Executive Secretary at: assistant@iislweb.org before March 1st**
- **If you would like to be an IISL observer at the UNCOPUOS Legal Subcommittee meeting, please contact PJ Blount, Assistant Executive Secretary at: assistant@iislweb.org before March 15**
- **Make sure to activate your profile on the members website www.iislweb.net so you can see other members profiles, contact data and interact with your peers!**

IISL CONFERENCES AND EVENTS

55th Colloquium in Naples, 1-5 October 2012

The 55th Colloquium was held in Naples, Italy. Five sessions were held, as well as the IISL/IAA Scientific Legal Roundtable, the joint IISL/IAF Session on "Optical Communication", and an IISL organised Plenary Event on "Towards a Code of Conduct, which makes the use of space safe and

equitable". The Jasentuliyana Keynote lecture was delivered by Prof. Sergio Marchisio, on the Draft Code of Conduct for Space Activities. In addition, an ESA-IISL event, "ESA for Space Lawyers", was held at the invitation of ESA's Legal Counsel Marco Ferrazzani.

The papers presented in Naples will be published in the 2012 IISAL Proceedings.

21st Manfred Lachs Moot Court Competition

The 21st Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition was held during the IISL Colloquium in Naples, Italy, 1-5 October 2012. In doing so, the competition was once more confirmed as the only moot court competition on issues of space law, which is globally recognized and enjoys broad participation.

For the first time ever, a team representing the African region participated in the World Finals.

The World Finals on October 4, judged as always by three Judges from the International Court of Justice (ICJ), Judge Donoghue, Judge Skotnikov and Judge Xue, resulted in a victory of the team of National Law School of India University, winner of the Asia-Pacific round, over the team of the National & Kapodistrian University of Athens winner of the European round, The University of California, USA and Obafemi Awolowo University, Nigeria were Semi-Finalists.

The IISL expresses its thanks to the Moot Court Committee, led by co-chairs Dr. Mejía-Kaiser and Dr. Tennen, as well as the organizers of the four regional rounds for their tireless efforts in safeguarding and strengthening the excellent reputation of the competition.

The IISL is most grateful to JAXA, ECSL, AISI and the Secure World Foundation for their substantive efforts to sponsor the regional winners to attend the World Finals. In addition, the following organizations kindly sponsored the 21st World Finals and IISL Dinner: EADS North America, ESA, University of Nebraska Lincoln, McGill Institute of Air and Space Law, Università

degli studi di Napoli "L'Orientale", Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II, National Research Council of Italy, Eleven International Publishing, Martinus Nijhoff Publishers, and South Africa Space Association.

IISL General Assembly

The annual General Assembly was held on Wednesday 3 October 2012 in Naples. Several important items on the agenda, including a revision of the Statutes and Bylaws and Board elections were voted upon. All documents for the meeting were placed on a special password protected online directory, the details of which have been communicated to you by email. The draft minutes of the meeting have been placed on the site. Please check the site regularly for updates, as documents are added regularly. The next General Assembly will be held in Beijing, China, on Wednesday 25 September.

7th Eilene M. Galloway Symposium on Critical Issues in Space Law, Washington DC, 6 December 2012

The 7th Eilene Galloway Symposium was held on December 6 at the Cosmos Club in Washington DC, in cooperation with the National Center for Remote Sensing, Air and Space Law at the University of Mississippi School of Law. The topic was "Regional and Global Space Organizations and the Law". A report and several of the papers presented will be published in the 2012 IISL proceedings.

IISL/ECESL Symposium at UNCOPUOS, 8 April 2013

On the occasion of the 52nd Session of the Legal Subcommittee of the UNCOPUOS this March, the IISL and ECESL will organize the annual Symposium for delegates of the Legal Subcommittee. The topic is "The UNIDROIT Space Protocol". Presentations are as follows:

The way to the successful completion of the negotiations

Speaker: Martin Stanford

The negotiations at Berlin – What promise for the future?

Speakers: Bernhard Schmidt-Tedd and Stephan Hobe

An operators' view

Speaker: Elena Morozova

The perspective from emerging space faring nations

Speaker: Lulekwa Makapela

A comparative view on the Space Protocol

Speaker: Paul Larsen

A look ahead

Speaker: Chris Johnson

The papers of this symposium will be published in the 2013 IISL Proceedings.

56th Colloquium in Beijing, China, 23 – 27 September 2013

The sessions program is as follows:

1. Nandasiri Jasentuliyana Keynote Lecture on Space Law & 5th Young Scholars Session

Co-chairs: Tanja Masson-Zwaan, Haifeng Zhao

2. Settlement of Space-Related Disputes

Co-chairs: Ram Jakhu, Sergio Marchisio

3. International Regulations of Space Communications: Current Issues

Co-Chairs: Dennis Burnett, Francis Lyall

4. Legal Aspects of Space Debris Remediation

Co-Chairs: Joanne Gabrynowicz, Li Bin

5. Recent Developments in Space Law

Co-chairs: Ulrike Bohlmann, Setsuko Aoki

28th IAA-IISL Scientific/Legal Roundtable

Topic: "Space and the Polar Regions - Issues of Satellite Applications, Policies and Regulations".
Co-Chairs: Kai-Uwe Schrogl, Geir Hovmork
Rapporteur: Nicola Rohner-Willsch

Joint IAF/IISL session

"Legal Framework for Cooperative Space Endeavours"

Chairs: Cristian Bank, Lesley Jane Smith,
Rapporteur: Luise Weber-Steinhaus

22nd Manfred Lachs Moot Court Competition

Arrangements for the World Finals of the 22nd Competition are being made. The 2013 competition problem is titled "Case concerning the Operation of a Lunar Station (Republic of Lydios v. Republic of Endymion)". The World Finals will have the presence of 4 regional winning teams to compete in Beijing, China next September.

The 2013 problem, calendars for the competition and more information are available [online](#). The Manfred Lachs Moot Court Committee is seeking for IISL members willing to judge. If you are interested, please contact Dr. Martha Mejia-Kaiser, lachsmootchair2@iislweb.org

8th Eilene M. Galloway Symposium on Critical Issues in Space Law, Washington DC, 5 December 2013

The 8th edition of the Eilene Galloway Symposium will take place on 5 December at the Cosmos Club, in cooperation with the National Center for

Remote Sensing, Air and Space Law
at the University of Mississippi School of Law.

ELECTIONS / MEMBERSHIP / AWARDS

Elections Board of Directors

The General Assembly elected last October the following members of the Board:

Vice President:

- Prof. Kai-Uwe Schrogl, Head of the ESA Policies Department

Directors:

- Prof. Setsuko Aoki, Faculty of Policy Management, Keio University, Japan
- Prof. Elisabeth Back Impallomeni, University of Padua, Italy
- Dr. Tare Brisibe, Chairman Legal Subcommittee, UNCOPUOS
- Prof. Joanne Gabrynowicz, University of Mississippi, USA
- Dr. Les Tennen, Sterns & Tennen, USA
- Prof. Lesley Jane Smith, Leuphana University of Luenebrug, Germany
- Mr. Skip Milton, Sherman and Howard, USA
- Prof. Maureen Williams, University of Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Prof. Haifeng Zhao, University of Harbin, China

The following Honorary Directors were elected:

- Prof. Jonathan Galloway, USA
- Prof. Toshio Kosuge, Japan
- Dr. Sylvia Ospina, Colombia

Election of New Members

The Board approved last October the nomination of the following new members to the IISL:

- (1) David Finkleman (USA)
- (2) Cécile Gaubert (France)
- (3) Lorinda Laryea (USA)
- (4) Rita Lauria (USA)
- (5) Jairo A. Becerra Ortiz (Colombia/Spain)
- (6) Neta Palkovitz (Israel)
- (7) Jana Robinson (Czech Rep.)
- (8) Ana Cristina Rosa van Oijhuizen Galhego (Brazil)
- (9) Carla Sharpe (South Africa)
- (10) Michael Simpson (USA)
- (11) Peter Stubbe Peter (Germany)
- (12) Anna Veneziano (Italy)
- (13) Guoyu Wang (China)

IISL Awards

The Distinguished Service Award was granted to Corinne Jorgenson "In recognition of her years of

outstanding and dedicated service to the International Institute of Space Law, as editor of the Institute's Annual Proceedings for over ten years and member of the Board of Directors and Executive Secretary, through playing a key role in launching and making the annual Eilene M. Galloway symposia a great success, supporting the annual Manfred Lachs International Space Law Moot Court Competitions, initiating strategic planning for the Institute, initiating the UN recognition of the Institute as an independent observer at the UNCOPUOS, administering efficiently the ever-increasing affairs of the Institute, and making unique contributions to the space law and policy community particularly with her interdisciplinary background and her professional activities."

The Diederiks-Verschuur award was granted to Olavo Bittencourt Neto of Brazil for his paper titled "The Elusive Frontier: Revisiting the Delimitation of Outer Space."

PUBLICATIONS / COMMITTEES / CONNECTIVITY

IISL Proceedings

The 2011 IISL Proceedings, the first volume published by Eleven International Publishing, has been published last fall. We are now working on the 2012 volume.

If you wish to purchase the proceedings, please visit [Eleven International Publishing](#). The price for non-members is 110 Euros and IISL members are entitled to a 40% discount off the regular price.

Information about back issues is available on the IISL website.

Members' publications

In this section we offer IISL members who have published books in recent months, as authors, editors or co-editors, to present them below. Please keep us informed about your books and we will add them to the list.

- Henry Hertzfeld, "[Guide to Space Law Terms](#)"

Connectivity

Reminder: Activate your profile on the members website at www.iislweb.net

As has been reported before, the IISL website has been expanded with an online members database (www.iislweb.net), where members can verify and update their personal data, and register for IISL events. This tool has been further improved with the possibility for each member to upload a profile and photo, indicating areas of

interest, main publications etc. As soon as a member has uploaded a profile, access is given to all other profiles that have been uploaded. This allows members to contact each other, interact and network, and will further improve the services of the IISL to its members. If you have any questions about this new feature, please contact PJ Blount, Assistant Executive Secretary at: assistant@iislweb.org

Social Media

The IISL is active on LinkedIn and Facebook and encourages you to join us there for up-to-date news and to liaise with colleagues and friends from the IISL community.

On [LinkedIn](#), we admit only members to the group (currently 99). On Facebook, we have 2 pages, one [IISL](#) page (762 fans) and one [Mootcourt](#) page (568 fans).

Please help us keep these pages 'lively' by sharing news, activities, publications, events etc.

IISL Committees

If you are interested in joining any of the IISL committees or have questions, please email PJ Blount at: assistant@iislweb.org

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