



International Relations and Space: The European Approach

Annual Space Conference

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International Press Center "Residence Palace" Rue de la Loi 155 B-1040 Bruxelles

8:30 – Registration and coffee

9:00-9:15 – International Relations in Space: Challenges and Opportunities for Europe

Christophe VENET, Research Associate to the Space Policy Program, Ifri

9:15-11:00 – Panel 1: Which Governance for Europe's International Relations in Space?

The first panel aims at identifying the institutional actors involved in the conception and implementation of Europe's strategy for IR in space. It will focus in particular on the link between programmatic cooperation and the overall political and strategic context, and on the division of tasks between all the involved actors. A specific focus will also be put on the US, Europe's major strategic partner.

Moderator: *Agnieszka LUKASZCZYK, Brussels Office Director, Secure World Foundation*

The EC's view on a European Strategy for International Relations in space
Patrick CHATARD-MOULIN, Space Policy Unit, DG Enterprise, European Commission

ESA's international relations strategy
Géraldine NAJA, Head of Institutional Matters and Strategy Office, ESA

National strategies for IR in space – the case of Germany
Hans-Joachim KROH, Representative of the Executive Board for EU Space Matters, DLR

Space and the EEAS
Frank ASBECK, Principal Adviser for Space and Security, EEAS

Cooperation in space security between Europe and the US.
Frank ROSE, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Space and Defense Policy, US Department of State

11:00-11:30 – Coffee break

11:30-12:45 – Panel 2: Space Cooperation for Europe’s Global Leadership

Europe is committed to responding to global challenges, and seeks to play a global role. Space cooperation programs can help fulfill these objectives. This panel will shed light on thematic aspects of Europe’s space cooperation, focusing on pressing issues such as climate change, space exploration, or space security.

Moderator: Kevin MADDERS, *Managing Partner, Systemics Network International*

Which role for Europe in the global space exploration strategy?

Vincent SABATHIER, *Senior Associate Technology and Public Policy Program, CSIS*

Space security: is Europe a credible diplomatic actor?

Kazuto SUZUKI, *Visiting Professor, Woodrow Wilson School of International Relations, Princeton University*

Space and global environmental stewardship.

Jean-Paul MALINGREAU, *Scientific Adviser to the DG on Foresight and Anticipation, Joint Research Center*

12:45-14:15 – Buffet lunch

14:15-14:45 – Keynote Speech

The rationale of cooperating in space for Europe: finding a balance between cooperation, competition and autonomy.

Jean-Louis FELLOUS, *Executive Director of the Committee on Space Research*

14:45-16:15 – Panel 3: The Geographic Priorities of European Space Cooperation

This panel will discuss the geographical scope of Europe’s cooperation policy. The choices to be made in this respect should take into account Europe’s foreign policy priorities, geopolitical evolutions on the global space scene as well as scientific and programmatic interests.

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What it means to be partners in space.

Peter HULSROJ, *Director, ESPI*

Polish space policy imperatives on the eve of the ESA accession

Maciej STANIAK, *Senior Expert, Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs*

Space for Africa: which content for the partnership?

Stefano SCARDA, *EU Satellite Navigation Programme Applications, Security, and International Aspects, DG Enterprise and Industry, European Commission*

Europe as a cooperation partner: an outsider’s view

Rajeswari Pillai RAJAGOPALAN, *Senior Fellow, Observer Research Foundation*

16:15-16:45– Conclusion

The way forward: building blocks for a European strategy for international relations in space

Gérard BRACHET, *Member of the Board of SWF, Consultant in Space Policy, Vice-President of the International Astronautical Federation*

16:45-17:45 – Reception