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### The importance of the IISL Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court for the development of space law and the education and inspiration of the young generations

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## Our activities!

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## Important Japanese contributions to space law and IISL:

Prof. Setsuko Aoki (IISL Vice President, Chair UNCOPUOS Legal Subcommittee)

Ms. Motoko Mizuno (Longtime IISL Member, Member of the House of Councillors, The National Diet of Japan)

Mr. Masahiko Sato (Member in the IISL Board of Directors)

...plus many many young talented space lawyers and academic, Moot support and diplomatic institutions!











# IISL's prime mission: Maintaining the rule of law in outer space!



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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).







### 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 largest and most competitive region is the Asia-Pacific Region!
- 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.
- IISL warmly and cordially thanks all Japanese institutions and individuals supporting the Asia-Pacific Round: in particular MEXT and Gakushuin University!







#### 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

through:

 - Relevance for practitioners and for law-making (IISL/ECSL Symposia leading to LSC agenda items, Statements, Proceedings as top resource)

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

- Extension and inclusiveness (LA Round, China Workshop, Space Symposium).

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

#### Get engaged!...

... in elected functions and in committees
... in initiatives and working groups (for example KC, STM, light pollution)
... in submitting abstracts for our events
... in participating in the IISL Manfred Lachs
Space Law Moot Court

... in communicating space law and the rule of law in outer space

... and ensure that you are subscribed to the Newsletter!





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Statement by the Board of Directors\* of the International Institute of Space Law (IISL) on the Consideration of the Interests of the Public and other Stakeholders in the Authorization and Continuing Supervision of Commercial Space Activities

Outer space holds unprecedented opportunities for all countries to conduct activities for societal benefit and commercial gain across the globe. The commercial sector is at the forefront of developing many new capabilities, products and services that will lead to new kinds of commercial space activities, including activities on the Moon and other celestial bodies. These space activities should be developed in accordance with the rule of law, for peaceful purposes, and in a manner that is sustainable for the present and future generations. Among the activities proposed to be conducted are the placement of various types of artefacts, human and animal remains on the Moon, advertising and entertainment displays in Earth orbit, and the launch of large constellations of satellites. The Board of Directors of the International Institute of Space Law (IISL) is of the opinion that there is growing importance for national regulators responsible for the authorization and continuing supervision of outer space activities to give careful consideration to the interests of all stakeholders, including the scientific community and the public, regarding the consequences of authorizing such activities for the future exploration and peaceful uses of outer space, including the Moon and other celestial bodies. Consideration should also be given as to whether there are adequate mechanisms in place to ensure compliance with the Outer Space Treaty (OST) and other applicable regulations and international guidelines for space debris mitigation, space sustainability, and planetary protection to ensure that the activities are conducted with due regard to the corresponding interests of all other States Parties to the Outer Space Treaty.

19 July 2021

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