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INTRODUCTION: TO STUDY SPACE LAW, WHY?

- Why will you study Space Law?
 - Space can give us the tools to address many of the global challenges of the 21st century
 - Space needs lawyers with international / regional (European) / national perspective
- Where can you study (Outer) Space Law? The University of Jaén (Jaén, Andalusia-SPAIN): the University Chair AstroÁndalus (studies in Air & Space Law and Astronomy)
- Examples of new trends in Space Law:
 - European Space Policy, developed by the European Union (EU) and the European Space Agency (ESA)
 - National space policies, law, entities and budgets

WHERE CAN YOU STUDY SPACE LAW?



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- Where can you study (Outer) Space Law? The University of Jaén (Jaén, Andalusia-SPAIN): the University Chair AstroÁndalus (studies in Air & Space Law and Astronomy)
 - Agreement between the University of Jaén and the private company AstroÁndalus
 - Teaching, research, transfer of knowledge and scientific divulgation
 - Directors:
 - Prof. Dr. Maria-del-Carmen Muñoz-Rodríguez
 - Emeritus Professor Juan-Manuel de-Faramiñán-Gilbert
- Study at the University of Jaén: national and foreign students:
 - Law Degree:
 - Courses: Public International Law / European Union Law and Institution
 - Final dissertation
 - PhD Programme (Law)
 - Post-Doctoral Research Level

TO STUDY SPACE LAW, WHERE?

- International and national cooperation with other entities:
 - Instituto Iberoamericano de Derecho Aéreo y del Espacio and Universidad a Distancia de Madrid (UDIMA):
 - Annual Online Postgraduate Course (Spain and Latin America): 7th edition (October 2025-May 2026)
 - International Institute of Space Law (IISL):
 - Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition:
 - European Round (with the European Centre for Space Law)
 - Latin American Round (with the University Católica de Colombia and ReLaCa-Espacio)
 - European Centre for Space Law (ECSL/ESA) / Centro Español de Derecho Espacial (CEDE): the National Point of Contact of ECSL/ESA:
 - ECSL Summer Course on Space Law and Policy
 - ReLaCa-Espacio:
 - Annual International Conference on Space (Policy, Law, Diplomacy, Economy, Science and Technology) for Latin American and Caribbean countries

EXAMPLES OF NEW TRENDS IN SPACE LAW

Space activities have been successfully developed over 50 years in Europe in the framework of ESA. However, nowadays, Europe needs a comprehensive **European Space Policy**, developed by the European Union (EU) and the European Space Agency (ESA): the Lisbon Treaty (2007):

Article 4 - Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU):

1. The Union shall share competence with the Member States where the Treaties confer on it a competence which does not relate to the areas referred to in Articles 3 and 6.

(...)

3. In the areas of research, technological development and space, the Union shall have competence to carry out activities, in particular to define and implement programmes; however, the exercise of that competence shall not result in Member States being prevented from exercising theirs (...)

Article 189 TFEU:

To promote scientific and technical progress, industrial competitiveness and the implementation of its policies, the Union shall draw up a **European space policy**. To this end, it may promote joint initiatives, support research and technological development and coordinate the efforts needed for the exploration and exploitation of space.

To contribute to attaining the objectives referred to in paragraph 1, the European Parliament and the Council, acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure, shall establish the necessary measures, which may take the form of a **European space programme**, excluding any harmonisation of the laws and regulations of the Member States-

The Union shall establish any appropriate relations with **the European Space Agency**

EXAMPLES OF NEW TRENDS IN SPACE LAW:

- Public and private space activities need national space policies, law, entities and budgets:
 - The case of Spain:
 - The new Spanish Space Agency:
 - 2023
 - Seville/Madrid
 - The project of the National Space Legislation:
 - Public space activities
 - Private space activities (New Space)



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