




LECTURE



Regulatory Aspects of Launching Spacecraft Lecture Series

Europe's Spaceport in French Guiana and its Regulatory Framework

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Abstract

Space launch is a critical activity for any space operator, and operators need to understand how legal frameworks affect their choice of launch providers. This inaugural lecture in the Launch Law Lecture Series will address the international dimension of European Spaceport of French Guiana. It will discuss the intergovernmental treaties, laws and regulations that governs and coordinates the various activities on this site such as new launch pad and facilities development, satellite payload preparation, integration and operations of launchers coming from different countries France (Ariane), Italy (Vega) and Russia (Soyuz).

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Place

University of Luxembourg
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English

Registration

- Registration via eventbrite :
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Biography

Philippe Clerc is the Chief Officer of Compliance and Ethics at the French Space Agency (CNES). He has been the head of the CNES' legal department from 2007 to 2017. His broad vision and understanding in matters of space law and policy are based on experience gathered by occupying since 1989 a number of positions and responsibilities in CNES, the French Ministry of Research and Ariespace, the private European launch operator.

Mr. Clerc has unique knowledge of the law-making process of the French Space Act: after having initiated the first preliminary studies in 1999, he has been monitoring the development of French Space Law in the governmental and parliamentary processes. In the framework of his academic work, Mr. Clerc is guest lecturer on Space Law, Policy and Strategy at technical schools for engineering as well as high level national and international universities.

He is also the author of many papers on this fields, in particular the book titled "Space Law in the European Context" - National Architecture, Legislation and Policy in France" Published by Eleven International Publishing, The Hague 2018.