

## A Proven Partnership

The **Cologne Commentary on Space Law (CoCoSL)** is a joint undertaking between the Institute of Air and Space Law of the University of Cologne and the German Aerospace Center (DLR). It is based on the synergy of their successful cooperation on “Project 2001” and “Project 2001 Plus”.

This sustained collaboration synthesises the scientific and scholastic proficiency of the Institute and the practical and technical capacity of DLR. Leveraging this unique partnership, **CoCoSL** provides a commentary on the output of forty extremely successful years of space law-making, in a format useful to academics, practitioners and technicians from the field of space law and beyond.

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## Expert Scientific Management

*The scientific quality of CoCoSL* is based on the experience of its team of editors, **Professor Dr. Stephan Hobe**, LL.M. (McGill), Director of the Institute of Air and Space Law, University of Cologne; **Dr. Bernhard Schmidt-Tedd**, Head, Legal and Business Support Space Agency, German Aerospace Center and **Professor Dr. Kai-Uwe Schrogl**, European Space Policy Institute, who also led “Project 2001 Plus” together (2002 - 2006). The coordination of the **CoCoSL** project lies with the Institute of Air and Space Law, University of Cologne.



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## A Groundbreaking Initiative

**2007 marks the anniversaries** of fifty years of space flight and forty years of international outer space legislation. Both anniversaries reflect the crucial role of space law-making in the exponential growth of the scope of space activities, and highlight the existence of a large body of international space legislation, which in more recent times has been complemented by national space laws.

Despite the unmistakable and growing importance of space law, at present however there is as yet no complete annotation on the written norms of space law. The **Cologne Commentary on Space Law (CoCoSL)** will address this lacuna through an analysis and annotation of the existing body of space law.



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Reflecting the international and interdisciplinary diversity of space law, **CoCoSL** will comprise contributions from a broad international expert authorship. Distinguished and highly qualified authors will conduct a profound and evaluative inquiry into the theoretical, methodological and practical aspects of space legislation and space law-making.

Further, an advisory board of distinguished lawyers and practitioners has been secured to ensure the scientific quality and professional reputation of **CoCoSL**.

This momentous undertaking, launched in 2007, is expected to be fully completed within a timeframe of five years, by 2011.



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## Crisp, Critical and Comprehensive

**CoCoSL comprises a two-volume**, provision-by-provision Commentary on the five United Nations treaties on Outer Space and the five major UN General Assembly Resolutions. The Commentary will be written entirely in English.

**CoCoSL** will take a closer look at the written norms of space law taking also into account space law provisions developed outside the UN as well as the associated state practice with a special focus on the European perspective.

**Volume I** will deal with the Outer Space Treaty. It will start with the negotiating history and include the relevant subsequent state practice.

**Volume II** will be concerned with the other four treaties and the UNGA Resolutions. The interrelationship between these documents and the Outer Space Treaty will clearly be established throughout the Commentary.

The project also intends to provide an input to the further development of space law in international organisations and fora.

## Synergetic Idea Exchange

**Recognising the dynamism and progressive evolution** of space law, Workshops complementary to the Commentary will also be organised in the framework of **CoCoSL**. These Workshops aim to provide authors with a forum to exchange perspectives and ideas on specific topics of particular interest.



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The **CoCoSL** Workshops will be organized to ensure authors the opportunity to raise and address current issues and prevailing developments in the field. The pro-active approach taken by the organizers assures a coherent, current and comprehensive output that will remain relevant in the face of ongoing changes and evolution in the field of space activities.