

Space Tourism, Space Commercialisation and the Development of Space Law

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The year of 2021 marks the 60th anniversary of Gagarin's first manned space flight in 1961. The rapid development of space technologies brought us into the era of space commercialisation, with space tourism being heatedly discussed these days. This talk will look into the existing legal regime for space activities and space commercialisation. In view of the inadequacies of the current legal regime, it is suggested that relevant rules are urgently needed to set up a proper and attractive legal regime for space tourism and space commercialisation.

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