

CAPACITY BUILDING NEEDS FOR SPACE LAW IN AFRICAN COUNTRIES

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In March 2007 the Legal Subcommittee of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space adopted an agenda item on capacity building in Space Law for consideration at its session in 2008. The ALC Conference presents an ideal opportunity for African countries to consider how they can utilise this agenda item to improve capacity in Space Law on the African continent. Following on from the ALC Conference in Nigeria in 2005, the paper will look at what the possible needs for capacity building in Space Law are on the African continent, what possibilities there are for cooperation in this regard, what the existing initiatives are and how these can be taken forward.