"The EU-US 2nd Space Policy Conference"

Using Space in a Secure and Safe Environment Opportunities for Like-Minded Partners

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EU-US Relationship in Space

- A long and complex history
 - Best partners in institutional programs
 - Best competitors on commercial markets
- Beyond Programs: Build Collective Security
 - Need for a renewed institutional relationship
 - Need to foster mutual understanding
 - ✓ Identify the red lines



Security In Space

- International context
 - The Outer Space Treaty (1967)
 - IADC initiative on debris (non binding)
 - GGE TCBMs (just endorsed)
 - Rejection of the Code of Conduct
- Quick Evolution of the Global Space Sector

Issues at Stake

- Ensure that space remains accessible and safe to operate
 - Space is fragile and not unlimited
 - The situation is deteriorating: New space = new threats
 - Spectrum management and SSA increasingly critical
 - Towards Space Traffic Management?
 - Space weather
 - Towards an operational global forecasting system?
- Borders blurred between military and civil space systems
 - GPS / Galileo
 - Strategic approach of many nations
 - Greater autonomy based on civil systems
 - Public-Private Partnerships

Never the trend towards denial of access to space or to space-based services has been so strong



EU-US Partnership for Security

Space law and global Space regulations

- Currently based on voluntary measures and behavioural modifiers
- Make sure they will remain adequate

Code of Conduct / TCBMs

- Next Logical steps
- How?

Way forward

- EU-US framework is natural and structuring
 - An EU-US partnership as a seed-proposal
- Instate Common Concerns and Objectives
 - Space Policy Institutes are key partners

Need for a more balanced situation

- No "European Security Space Strategy"
- Develop European Capabilities