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Space 18th SDG Coalition Calls for Global Action at its United Nations Workshop

Hybrid Workshop – 19 September 2024

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The Space 18th SDG Coalition, a global alliance of 94 space-stakeholder organizations, announces its second annual workshop, addressing our urgent need for space development at United Nations Plaza on September 19, 2024. Diverse acclaimed speakers and chairs, leading interactive sessions, will focus on the crucial role of Civilian Space Development in securing a sustainable, peaceful, and prosperous future for all.

The coalition is diligently preparing to inform the debates and outcomes of both the upcoming United Nations Summit of the Future (SOTF) and the United Nations 79th Session of the General Assembly (UNGA79). Therefore, Adriano V. Autino, Coordinator of the Space 18th SDG Coalition and Founder of Space Renaissance International (SRI), officially launched public registration and invited all the planet's stakeholders to attend:

A Space 18th SDG for the Future

September 19, 2024

9:00 AM to 6:30 PM

777 United Nations Plaza - New York, NY 10017

This represents the first of a two-part series proudly headlining the United Nations-declared World Space Week. Part 1, above, assimilates and synthesizes the recommendations from the Space 18th SDG Coalition and the global community. Then on October 10, 2024 at 9:00 AM, during a Space 18th SDG for the Future event, the final Space for the Future report will be released through a virtual/remote webinar.

SRI, in behalf of the Space 18th SDG Coalition, celebrates its newly minted observer status from the recent 67th Session of the United Nations Committee for the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space

(COPUOS). The 19 September event will be hybrid, with both in-person and virtual/remote access all day. It features two main sessions:

Session 1 – 9:00 AM US EDT - Space Symposium for the Future

Adriano V. Autino of SRI moderates prominent and accomplished keynote speakers:

1. **Adriano V. Autino** (SRI) – opening
2. **Claire A. Nelson** (The Futures Forum)
3. **Robert Zubrin** (The Mars Society)
4. **Frank White** (Human Space Program)
5. **Paul Werbos** (Lifeboat Foundation, NSS)
6. **Gary Barnhard** (Space Development Foundation, NSS)
7. **Ben Gamble** (AstroBen Podcast)
8. **Ryan Laird** (Green Orbit Digital)
9. **Constance Erlanger** (GoKnown)
10. **Renato Frota** (Space For Progress)
11. **Marie-Luise Heuser** (SRI)
12. **Werner Grandl** (SRI)
13. **Jerry Stone** (SRI)
14. **Thomas Matula** (SRI)
15. **Ghanim Alotaibi** (SRI)
16. **Bernard Foing** (SRI)

Session 2 – 2:30 PM US EDT - Space Workshop for the Future

Robert S. Katz of World Innovation Network (WIN) facilitates five consecutive, hyper-focused interactive tracks:

Track	Chair
1. Space 2030 Agenda–Critical Review	Gary Barnhard (Space Development Foundation)
2. Space for Peace	Alma Okpalefe (World Space Week)
3. Space for Economic & Social Growth	Victoria Ustimenko (Preto Business)
4. Space for Young Generations	Ghanim Alotaibi (SRI)
5. Space for Earth’s Sustainability	Emeline Paat-Dahlstrom (SpaceBase Limited)

The entire day is dedicated to dissecting and debating the critical issues faced by civilization, requiring concrete actions before 2030. The year 2025 is specifically a crucial year. The United Nations community will perform two major reassessments: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (17 SDGs issued in 2015) and the Space 2030 Agenda (issued in 2021).

This 2024 collaborative event will be laser-focused on delivering actionable recommendations via a detailed Space for the Future report to inform the Summit of the Future’s Pact of the Future. Adriano V. Autino similarly welcomes all stakeholders to that follow-up event, on the final day of World Space Week, when the Space for the Future report will be released: October 10, 2024 at 13:00 UTC.

The Space 18th SDG Coalition recently conducted a comprehensive review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and advanced a fundamental amendment to add an 18th SDG. This new SDG will focus on Sustainable Civilian-led Space Development. SRI is concurrently preparing a similar time-sensitive review of the U.N. Space 2030 Agenda. While U.N. COPUOS will be holding a review of the Agenda next year, the Space 18th SDG Coalition is working to widen this discussion and bring it to society at large.

All are invited to attend:

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To attend in person: <https://spacerenaissance.space/19-september-2024-registration/>

To follow live stream: <https://www.youtube.com/live/rFyAqmb4yhs>