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FOR THE NEXT DECADE

**Abstract**

This keynote presents lessons learned from various international space cooperation mechanisms including scientific exploration, space application, commercial activities and security-related activities. Research covers bilateral, multilateral, regional and UN-based cooperative measures. Best practices seem to indicate that bilateral cooperation accomplishes its goals when appropriate implementing arrangements are made based on the already-existed framework agreements, and a big multilateral project would be successful through the combination of a legally binding instrument and several types of non-legally binding instruments. The legally binding instrument in a big project seems to correspond to the implementing arrangement in case of bilateral cooperation mechanisms in nature. This implies that a framework agreement does not yet exist in multilateral exploration project. Thus, this presentation will submit a model framework agreement in a next decade multilateral exploration project as a food for thought to promote faster and facilitated cooperation.