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## INTERPLANETARY HUMAN RIGHTS: REIMAGINING HUMAN RIGHTS FOR OUTER SPACE

### **Abstract**

The current regime of International Human Rights Law (IHRL) is not adequate enough to address the unique environments and circumstances presented by outer space. Similarly, the current body of International Space Law (ISL) has not developed adequate protections for human rights. The hole at the intersection between IHRL and ISL should be filled by the new field of Interplanetary Human Rights Law (IPHRL). The foundation of IPHRL should be three novel fundamental rights proposed by the Jus Ad Astra project. The domain of outer space presents a unique opportunity to the advancement of human rights law through international cooperation. The paper looks to explore the intersection between space law, international law, and accessibility as the development of a new legal jurisprudence. Equity, inclusivity, and accessibility for, and of, the most vulnerable and marginalized groups will only benefit the democratization of outer space. Governments must recognize the significance of human rights as they shape the protections for human space exploration and other activities. The Jus Ad Astra project, through this paper and beyond, advocates for an increased dialogue about the development of legal jurisprudence at the intersection between human rights and outer space.