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THE UNEXPLORED WORLD OF SPACE STANDARDS

Abstract

The practice of space activities, especially in the area of environmental protection and sustainability, is relying to a growing extent on standards adopted by international, regional (European) or national standardization bodies. The standards are of recommendatory character but can become compulsory, i.e. by a reference in a legislation or a contract. The contribution describes the procedures of adopting such standards and analyses their effects, especially in relation to two methods of conformity assessment – certification and audit.