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## Studiedag/Journée d'étude/Study day

**De Ruimte: Internationale, Europese en Belgische evoluties op het vlak van beleid en recht van belang voor Defensie**

**L'Espace: Evolutions internationales, européennes et belges dans le domaine politique et juridique pertinentes pour la Défense**

**Space: International, European and Belgian legal and political developments relevant to Defence**

**20-11-2024**

**Koninklijke Militaire School/Ecole Royale Militaire/Royal Military Academy  
Brussel/Bruxelles/Brussels**

- 09.00 – 09.30 Arrival of participants & coffee/tea
- 09.30 – 09.40 Opening of the conference
- 09.40 – 10.30 *Space @ Belgian Defence*  
CDT Damien Lebrun – Officer in charge of Space Capability Development, ACOS TRANSFORMATION, Belgian Defence
- 10.30 – 10.50 Coffee break
- 10.50 – 12.30 **First panel - the legal framework applicable to the use of outer space**  
Moderator: Prof. Dr. Philip De Man – Research Manager at the Leuven Centre for Global Governance Studies and Lecturer in the Master of Space Studies, KU Leuven

Presentations and speakers:

- *The Outer Space Treaty : impacts on military activities*  
Mrs Giulia Pavesi – researcher, KU Leuven
- *International law and the use of force in outer space*

- Prof. Dr. Tom Ruys - professor of International law, UGent
- *Outer Space as a Military Operational Domain and 'The Law': The Woomera Manual as Point of Departure*
- Prof. Dr. Frans G. von der Dunk - Harvey and Susan Perlman Alumni / Othmer Professor of Space Law  
Space, Cyber and Telecommunications Law Program, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, College of Law

12.30 – 14.00      **Lunch break offered to the speakers**

14.00 – 15.40      **Second panel – EU and national aspects of governance of the outer space**

Moderator: MAJ Nicolas G r me, Commander of the Defence Geospatial Centre, Belgian Defence

Presentations and speakers:

- *The regulatory frameworks governing space activities within the European Union* (TBC)
- *Analyse critique de la EU Space Strategy for Security and Defence*  
Mme Lou Villafranca, chercheuse au GRIP (Groupe de recherche et d'information sur la paix et la s curit )
- *Le cadre juridique et institutionnel belge en lien avec les activit s spatiales*  
M. Frank Monteny, Directeur g n ral Recherche et Espace, BELSPO