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The Leiden & McGill Academic Workshop on Air & Space Law

Friday, 18 September 2026 at Leiden University

Programme

08:30-09:00: Registration and Coffee

- Address: Kamerlingh Onnes Gebouw (KoG), Steenschuur 25, 2311 ES, Leiden

09:00-09:30: Welcome Addresses and Housekeeping

- Steven Truxal – Director of the International Institute of Air and Space Law
- Vincent Correia – Co-Director of the Institute of Air and Space Law
- Benjamyn I. Scott – International Institute of Air and Space Law

09:30-11:00: Session 1 – Technology, Autonomy and Digital Security

Chair: Laura Pierallini

<u>Time</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
09:30-09:50	More Regulation or Better Guidance? User Perspectives on Accountability in Aviation AI-based Systems	Sofia Kyrampalidou
09:50-10:10	The Legal Status of Automated Collision-Avoidance Decisions: Algorithmic Delegation and the Due Diligence Standard Under Article VI of the Outer Space Treaty	Aleyna Kilic
10:10-10:30	Who Is In, Who Is Out, and Who Should Be? A Transatlantic Perspective on Space Cybersecurity	Anna Blechova
10:30-10:50	Airports in the Age of Drones: Balancing UAS Integration and Counter-Drone Security in the European Aviation Framework	Kateryna Vodolaskova
10:50-11:00	Chair's synthesis	

11:00-11:30: Coffee Break

11:30-13:00: Session 2 – Conflict, Security and International Responsibility

Chair: Ntorina Antoni

<u>Time</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
11:30-11:50	The Evolution of Article 3bis: Conflict Zones and Conflicting Views	David Woodworth
11:50-12:10	Regulating Anti-Drone Systems in Times of Extensive Use of Military Drones	Sophia Stellatou
12:10-12:30	Regulating Orbital Electronic Warfare and Signal Intelligence under United Kingdom and International Law	Alexander Wallace Watson
12:30-12:40	Chair's synthesis	

12:40-14:00: Lunch

Track A

Rights, Commerce and Remedies
Room A1.44 (1st floor)

Track B

Governance and Public Values
Room A0.51 (ground floor)

14:00-15:30: Session 3 – Passenger and Consumer Protection (Track A)

Chair: Öykü Kurtpınar

<u>Time</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
14:00-14:20	Regulating Online Airline Ticket Advertising – Legality of Drip Pricing Under Consumer Protection Law?	Mario Kuhn
14:20-14:40	Is There a Need for an International Convention on Passenger Rights?	Delphine Defossez
14:40-15:00	Consumer Protection in Air Transport Services within the Framework of the Single African Air Transport Market	Arlette Tanga
15:00-15:20	Collective Enforcement of Air Passenger Rights: A Consumer Law Perspective on the Mass Claims Enforcement Gap	Amy Jessica Adams
15:20-15:30	Chair's synthesis	

14:00-15:30: Session 4 – Practical Challenges in Space (Track B)

Chair: Chris Johnson

<u>Time</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
14:00-14:20	Impact of the Artemis Accords on the Domestic Space Laws of its Signatories	Meer Shais Ali
14:20-14:40	International Arbitration for Outer Space Disputes: Current Critical Needs and Emerging Practice	Deborah Housen-Couriel
14:40-15:00	Nuclearity in Orbit: Prohibitions, Silences, and Effectiveness between Hard Law and Soft Law	Raoul Cardellini
15:00-15:30	Chair's synthesis	

15:30-16:00: Coffee Break

16:00-17:30: Session 5 – Commercial Interests, Risk and Relationships (Track A)

Chair: Michael Nas

<u>Time</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
16:00-16:20	Keeping Secrets in Orbit: A Preliminary Ambient Survey of Trade Secret Protection in the LEO Commercial Ecosystem	Marco Franzoso
16:20-16:40	Skies Apart: The Dubious Status of International Flight between China and Hong Kong	Henry Wong
16:40-17:00	Fly an Aircraft in “Total Loss”: Unanswered Questions in the Aftermath of Russia's Aircraft Seizure	Abraham Pardede
17:00-17:20	The war risk trigger: temporal and causal uncertainty in aviation War risk insurance	Louis Chabbert
17:20-17:30	Chair's synthesis	

16:00-17:30: Session 6 – Human, Animal and Environmental Protection (Track B)

Chair: Garry Pratama

<u>Time</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
16:00-16:20	Flying and suffering in silence: Prioritising pilot mental health by proactively regulating the use of Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors (SSRIs)	Reece Lenting
16:20-16:40	Live Animals in the Air: Biodiversity Obligations, Uniform Private Law, and the Legal Status of Non-Human Passengers	Juliana Tellez-Wilches
16:40-17:00	Collateral Damage in Orbit: The Environmental Consequences of Anti-Satellite Weapons Testing and the Case for Reinterpreting Existing Space Law	Varvara Kut'yina
17:00-17:10	Chair's synthesis	
17:10-17:30	Relocate to Track A room.	

17:30-17:45: Closing Remarks and What Is Next

- Michael Nas – Workshop Organising Committee
- Benjamyn I. Scott – Workshop Organising Committee

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