

## Executive Course

# Summer School on Space Policy

**25 - 27 August 2025**

Sala Europa - Villa Schifanoia, Via Boccaccio 121 - Florence

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## Introduction

The role of space in tackling real-world challenges is still emerging, yet it holds the potential to transform every aspect of our daily lives, economies, and digital futures. To realise this potential, space must be firmly embedded within – and understood across – other sectors. Only then can it become a key driver in closing the innovation and competitiveness gap in Europe.

To delve deeper into these interconnections, the Florence School of Regulation, in collaboration with the European Space Policy Institute (ESPI), co-organised a Summer School on Space Policy, which aims to:

- Deliver in-depth, high-impact training on space policy and strategy
- Spark interest in the space sector among both emerging and established professionals
- Highlight the relevance of space in addressing broader societal challenges
- Create a networking bridge between professionals from the space and non-space sectors

## Draft Programme

### **25 August**      **Day 1 – Introduction to Space Policy**

09:00 - 10:30      Session 1: Welcome

- Welcome greetings  
**TBC** | EUI
- Introduction to the course  
**Hermann Ludwig Moeller** | ESPI  
**Leonardo Meeus** | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI

10:30 - 11:00      Coffee break

11:00 - 12:30      Session 2: Why and what of space

- Why Does Space Matter?  
**Hermann Ludwig Moeller** | ESPI  
**TBC** | UKSA
- Foundations, Assets and Policy Impact of Space  
**ESPI Team**  
**TBC** | UKSA

12:30 - 13:30      Lunch break

13:30 - 15:00      Session 3: Competitiveness perspective

- From Space Economy to Space for the Economy  
**Nikolai Khlystov** | World Economic Forum
- The Industrial Perspective: Between Competitiveness and Autonomy  
**TBC** | Thales Alenia Space

15:00 - 15:30      Coffee break

15:30 - 17:00      Session 4: Space Policy and Politics

- The Big Picture (European and Global)  
**TBC** | EPRS  
**Piero Messina** | ESA

17:00              Welcome cocktail

### **26 August**      **Day 2 – Designing and Leveraging**

9:00 - 11:00      Session 1: Case Studies

- Case Study 1 on Energy  
**Fabio Gaetano Santeramo** | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI
- Case Study 2 on Transport  
**Juan José Montero Pascual** | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI
- Case Study 3 on Agriculture  
**Leonardo Meeus** | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI

11:00 - 11:30      Coffee break

11:30 - 13:00	<p>Session 2: Case studies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Case study 4 on Security &amp; Defence: Security &amp; Defence of Space Infrastructure <b>Michel Friedling</b>   Security of Space Infrastructure</li> <li>• Case study 5 on Security &amp; Defence: Space for Security &amp; Defence on Earth <b>Giulia Pavesi</b>   ESPI</li> </ul>
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 - 15:00	<p>Session 3: Case studies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Case 6 on Connectivity and Digital Economy <b>TBC</b>   EUTELSAT &amp; ESPI team</li> </ul>
15:00 - 15:30	Coffee break
15:30 - 17:00	<p>Session 4: Case studies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities on the case studies and presentations</li> </ul>
19:30	Group dinner
<b>27 August</b>	<b>Day 3 – Consolidation</b>
9:00 - 10:30	<p>Session 1: Integrating space in the broader policy agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Integrating space in the broader policy agenda part 1 <b>Hermann Ludwig Moeller</b>   ESPI <b>TBC</b>   ESA <b>TBC</b>   UK Space Agency, Resolution Foundation, ESPI Advisory Council <b>TBC</b>   European Commission</li> </ul>
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 - 12:30	<p>Session 2: Integrating space in the broader policy agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Part 2: Scale, Speed, Village <b>Hermann Ludwig Moeller</b>   ESPI <b>TBC</b>   Thales Alenia Space</li> </ul>
12:30 - 13:30	Lunch break
13:30 - 15:00	<p>Session 3: Final remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consolidation <b>Hermann Ludwig Moeller</b>   ESPI <b>TBC</b>   ESPI Advisory Council</li> <li>• Wrap Up <b>Hermann Ludwig Moeller</b>   ESPI <b>Leonardo Meeus</b>   Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI</li> </ul>