CompTIA Space Enterprise Council

2021 YEAR IN REVIEW
Overview

The SEC brings a unique voice to policy discussions that are centered on space and the innovative technology ecosystem. In both broad and more direct terms, the Council also provides insight on the economic and national security impacts delivered to Americans from our nation’s space program.

We stand for:
• Facilitating business relationships and networking opportunities between member companies and key Washington policymakers.
• Keeping member companies apprised of the very latest activities and news impacting their industry via interactions with Congress, Federal agencies and the Administration.
• Conducting monthly, closed-door, off-the-record meetings with key senior-level officials.
• Formulating policy and budget positions which are briefed to Congress, Federal agencies and the Administration.
• The Space Enterprise Council forges space cooperation with other like-minded nations by helping create a nurturing policy, regulatory, and legislative environment. The Council has created partnerships in Africa, Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, and Vietnam and works closely with leaders in Mexico, Norway, and Paraguay.

Leadership
Chair: David Beering, Intelligent Designs
Vice-Chair: Earl Madison, Lockheed Martin
Vice-Chair: Lee Rizzo, SAIC
New Members

Atlas Space Systems
Cisco
Fenimore Ventures
iSpace
Oracle
Orion AST

Satellogic
Spire Global
Swedish Space Corporation
URSA Space Systems
Virgin Galactic

Monthly Meeting Speakers

Pierre Chao, Renaissance Partners
Waleed Abdalati, University of Colorado (Biden NASA Transition Team)
John Stopher, former HASC PSM
Mark Lewis, Emerging Tech Portfolio, NDIA
Scott Pace, former Secretary, National Space Council
FY22 NDAA Briefing with HASC and SASC PSMs
General Bucky Butow, DIU Space Portfolio
Tom Cremins, Chief of Staff, NASA
Shawn Barnes, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Space Acquisition and Integration
Pam Whitney, PSM, House Science Committee Space Subcommittee
Dean Cheng, Chinese Space Program Expert, Heritage Foundation
Kathy Lueders, Associate Administrator of the Human Exploration and Operations Mission Directorate, NASA
Joel Graham, PSM, Senate Commerce Committee, Space and Science Subcommittee
Paula Trimble, Legislative Affairs, Space Development Agency
Jim Reuter, Associate Administrator for Space Technology, NASA
Dave Gauthier, Director, Commercial and Business Operations, NGA
Kelly Turner, Chief of Staff, NOAA NESDIS
Michael Dickey, former Director of the Force Design Integration Office, U.S. Space Force Space Warfighting Analysis Center
Clare Grason, Chief, Commercial Satellite Communications Office, U.S. Space Force
Ezinne Uzo-Okoro, Director, Space Policy, OSTP
Joseph Rouge, Deputy Director of Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance, U.S. Space Force
Ron Keen, Senior Advisor, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, National Risk Management Center (NRMC)
Col. Eric Felt, Commander, Air Force Research Laboratory Space Vehicles Directorate
Raj Agrawal, Chief, International Affairs Space Division, U.S. Space Force
JANUARY

CompTIA signed on to a multi-association letter advocating for the continuation of the National Space Council under the Biden Administration.

FEBRUARY

CompTIA Senior Director David Logsdon participated in a panel session, More Than a Tango in Space, Argentina-U.S. Cooperation in Emerging Technologies, hosted by Argentina at the 2021 South by Southwest Conference.

CompTIA and the Norwegian Industrial Forum for Space Activities (NIFRO) hosted a U.S.-Norway Space Cooperation webinar featuring presentations from both the U.S. and Norwegian private sectors.

MARCH

CompTIA submitted testimony for the record for the U.S. House Committee on Energy & Commerce’s LIFT America: Revitalizing Our Nation’s Infrastructure and Economy March 22nd hearing.

APRIL

CompTIA hosted the first-ever Americas Space Summit featuring country presentations from Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Mexico, and Paraguay, and keynotes from NASA and the Department of State.

MAY

CompTIA Senior Director David Logsdon moderated via satellite an EMEA conference panel session, U.S.-Australia Space Cooperation: Maximizing Joint Potential in Communications Technologies and Services.

CompTIA and Australian MOU partner SIAA sent a letter to both U.S. and Australian governments advocating for a Technology Safeguards Agreement to be signed and ratified by both governments. A TSA would allow U.S. companies the ability to launch from Australian launch sites. SEC received notification back from Australian Minister for Foreign Affairs Marise Payne that both governments have agreed to commence TSA negotiations.

CompTIA and NIFRO sent a letter to both U.S. and Norwegian governments advocating for a Technology Safeguards Agreement to be signed and ratified by both governments. A TSA would allow U.S. companies the ability to launch from Norwegian launch sites.
JUNE

CompTIA signed on to a Hill letter in support of the RETAIN GPS and Satellite Communications Act.

CompTIA hosted the webinar Keeping Secrets in Space: Exploring the Unique Challenges of Cybersecurity in Space Systems.

CompTIA signed an MOU with Space in Africa to help accelerate U.S.-African space cooperation.

JULY

CompTIA hosted an in-person roundtable discussion with U.S. launch providers, featuring Australian Ambassador Arthur Sinodinos and Australian Trade Minister Dan Tehan.

AUGUST

CompTIA signed an MOU with the Vietnamese Space Technology Institute to help accelerate U.S.-Vietnamese space cooperation.

SEPTEMBER

CompTIA was asked to be the private sector lead for the DHS CISA Space Systems Security and Resilience Landscape Working Group.

CompTIA hosted a U.S.-Argentina private sector roundtable discussion at the Argentine Embassy.
OCTOBER


CompTIA signed an MOU with the Norwegian Industrial Forum for Space Activities (NIFRO) to help accelerate U.S.-Norwegian space cooperation.

NOVEMBER


CompTIA’s Space Enterprise Council Executive Committee briefed National Space Council Executive Secretary Chirag Parikh on the Council’s 2022 Policy Priorities.