

Institute of Air & Space Law 2011 Annual Report

Research and publications:

During 2011, McGill University's Institute and Centre of Air & Space Law published the following research:

- The Need for an Integrated Regulatory Regime for Aviation and Space: ICAO for Space, (Springer, 2011).
- *Space Tourism in India* (UPES, 2011).
- A Study on Organizational and Regulatory Framework for Space Debris Removal and On-Orbit Servicing of Satellites, for European Space Agency, 2011 (Ram Jakhu and Yaw Otu M. Nyampong)
- In February 2011, the Institute presented to the United Nations Committee on Peaceful Uses of Outer Space in Vienna, Austria, the report of its International Interdisciplinary Congress on Space Debris.
- Volume 36 (2011) of the Annals of Air & Space Law.
- In addition, our faculty published several books and articles in peerreviewed journals.

Grants:

• The Erin J C Arsenault Trust extended for next nine years (untill 2020) substantial financial support of over \$3 million to the Institute for its activities related to "Space Security Through the Rule of Law and Sustainable Space Development". The funds will be used, inter alia, research, publications and outreach activities related to space law.

Seminars & Conferences:

- Third International Interdisciplinary Space Debris Congress on Remediation and On-Orbit Services was held on 11 and 12 November 2011, and attended by a selection of world class experts in the fields of natural sciences, engineering, physics, astrophysics, business, military operations, political science, international relations and law from Australia, Belgium, Canada, China, France, India, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, Switzerland, UK, and USA.
- The Eighth Annual Space Security Index Workshop held April 8-9, 2011, at the McGill University Faculty of Law, Montreal, attended by 35 experts around the world, organized in cooperation with Project Ploughshares, the Secure World Foundation and The Simons Foundation, in cooperation with the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada.
- Fourth Annual Conference on International Aviation Liability & Insurance presented by the Institute of Air & Space Law at the Hilton Montreal Bonaventure Hotel, May 6-7, 2011, and attended by 175 registrants.
- International Galileo Governance and Liability Workshop co-organized with EUTRALEX Aerospace Consulting in Transinne, Belgium on May 26-27, 2011
- American Bar Association Forum on Air & Space Law/McGill University Institute of Air & Space Law, Conference on Air & Space Law held in celebration of the IASL 60th Anniversary on Sept. 22-24 at the Marriott Chateau Champlain Hotel, Montreal attended by 200 participants
- International Interdisciplinary Congress on Space Debris Remediation and On-Orbit Satellite Servicing, November 11-12, 2011, Faculty of Law and its report was submitted to the United Nations Committee on Peaceful Uses of Outer Space in Vienna in February 2012.

Involvement in the community:

• In October 2011, Prof. Ram Jakhu participated in the meeting of the Space Security Council of the World Economic Forum, in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

Honours, awards, and prizes:

- Prof. Ram Jakhu received the 2011 International Academy of Astronautics (IAA)
 Social Sciences Book Award for my book National Regulation of Space Activities
 (Springer, 2010). Each year, the IAA attributes prestigious Book Awards in recognition of excellence in publication in the fields related to basic science, engineering science, life science and social science.
- Arsenault Postdoctoral Fellows: Yaw Nyampong (Ghana) and Catherine Doldirina (Georgia)

The following Prizes and Scholarships were awarded in 2011-12:

- The Nicolas Mateesco Matte Prize: Joyeeta Chatterjee (India)
- The Jose Bogolasky Prize: *Edmond Boulle (UK)*
- DCL BOEING Fellowship: Jessika Ko (Taiwan), Norberto Luongo (Argentina)
- LLM ARSENAULT Fellowship: Timiebi Aganaba (UK/Nigeria); Joyeeta Chatterjee (India); and Seyedeh Mahboubeh Mousavi Sameh (Iran)
- DCL ARSENAULT Fellowship: *Diane Howard(USA)*