

1st IAA North East Asia Symposium on Small Satellites - Serving the Needs for the Benefits of the Region Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, August 21-23, 2017

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On the initiative of the Mongolian small satellite community and the International Academy of Astronautics (IAA), representatives from academia, non-governmental organisations, industry, and governmental institutions from around the world convened in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia from 21 to 23 August 2017 to provide a forum for scientists, engineers, managers and students to exchange information about small satellites focused on the needs and developments of North East Asia.

With the symposium being well received by participants they presented and emphasised the potentials and advantages of small satellites and expressed strong interest in capacity building, development, applications and utilisation through small satellite missions and the information, data and results received, shared and exploited from such missions and programs - specifically within joint and collaborative activities.

In conclusion the symposium agrees that

- its participants are grateful to organisers, hosts, supporters and promoters for initiating and arranging the successful event,
- it recognizes the initiative and efforts of the Mongolian space community in academia, organisations, industry and government to enable, stimulate, and conduct small satellite missions and programs and welcomes the ideas and visions presented to stimulate a national space policy, a national space law, own facilities and space infrastructure as well as future space development programs for Mongolia, its institutions and their respective partners,
- it appreciates and strongly encourages the endeavours of academia, non-governmental organisations, industry, and governmental institutions to design, launch and operate small satellite missions for the benefit of the region to foster capacity building, development, education, sciences, applications, exploration, technological progress, commercialisation and security - in particular in collaboration within local, regional and international partnerships to promote the peaceful use of space.
- and therefore strongly recommends to continue providing this valuable forum by holding subsequent, future symposia in, by and for the region.

Ulaanbaatar, 23 August 2017