

NDU Spacepower Theory Project Update

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Project Genesis, TOR, and Study Design

- ➢ 2005 QDR
- Feb 06 OSD Letter with TOR to NDU
- Study Design
 - Yearlong effort: due Jun 07
 - Seminars, Workshops, Conferences
 - Product: Two Books
 - Volume I: Concise Spacepower Theory
 - Volume II: Comprehensive Spacepower Theory

Seminars During Summer 2006

- Dennis Wingo: Innovative Commercial Approaches to Space
- Klaus Heiss: Strategic Importance of the Moon
- Joanne Gabrynowicz: Space Law and Spacepower
- Peter Teets: National Security Space in the 21st Century
- Roger Launius: *Exploration, Leadership, and Spacepower*
- Jon Sumida: Mahan on Spacepower
- Colin Gray: Strategy and Spacepower Theory
- Scott Pace: Thoughts on Spacepower
- Alex Roland: Strategy, Spaceflight, and Spacepower
- Karl Mueller: Depolarizing the Space Weaponization Debate
- John Logsdon: Human Spaceflight and Spacepower
- Theresa Hitchens: International Perspectives of Spacepower
- Phillip Baines: Non-offensive Defenses in Space
- Everett Dolman: Astropolitik: Classical Geopolitics in the Space Age
- Hal Winton: On the Nature of Theory
- Michael O'Hanlon: Hedging Strategies: Neither Star Wars nor Sanctuary
- Hank Cooper: *Missile Defense, the Space Connection and the 21st Century*

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1st Workshop: Merchants and Guardians

Government's Role in Regulating, Licensing and Incentivizing Space Activity

> NDU; 31 October 2006

Approximately 40-50 attendees consisting of government and non-government experts

Roundtable discussion

- > Agenda included four panels:
 - Panel 1 Space Exploration: The Case for Public and Private Ventures
 - Panel 2 Current Commercial Space Activity: Incentives and Impediments
 - Panel 3 Crafting Laws and Policy to Facilitate Space Commerce and Exploration
 - Panel 4 Government as Regulator: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly

^{2nd} Workshop: International Perspectives

- > NDU; 4-5 December 2006
- Approximately 50-60 attendees with a strong international presence
- Roundtable discussion
- Agenda Included
 - Panel 1 Major Space Actors
 - Panel 2 Emerging Space Powers
 - Panel 3 Non-State Actors
 - Panel 4 Synthesis: Spacepower and the Interrelation of US, International and Non-State Actors in Space



Spacepower Theory: Volume II

VOLUME II CHAPTERS AND AUTHORS

Foreword: Implications of Spacepower for Geopolitics and Grand Strategy Section I: Introduction to Spacepower Theory

Chapter 1: On the Nature of Theory: Harold R. Winton

Chapter 2: International Relations Theory and Spacepower: Robert L. Pfaltzgraff, Jr.

Chapter 3: Landpower, Seapower, and Spacepower: John M. Collins

Chapter 4: Airpower, Cyberpower, and Spacepower: Benjamin S. Lambeth

Section II: Spacepower and Geopolitics

Chapter 5: Orbital Terrain and Space Physics: Martin E.B. France & Jerry Jon Sellers Chapter 6: Space Law and Governance Structures: Joanne Irene Gabrynowicz Chapter 7: Building on Previous Spacepower Theory: Colin S. Gray & John B. Sheldon

Section III: Commercial Space Perspectives

Chapter 8: History of Commercial Space Activity and Spacepower: **Henry R. Hertzfeld** Chapter 9: Commercial Space Industry and Markets: **Joseph Fuller**, **Jr**.

Chapter 10: Merchants and Guardians: Scott Pace

Chapter 11: Innovative Approaches to Commercial Space: Ivan Bekey

Section IV: Civil Space Perspectives

Chapter 12: History of Civil Space Activity and Spacepower: Roger D. Launius

Chapter 13: Affordable and Responsive Space Systems: Sir Martin Sweeting

Chapter 14: Human and Robotic Exploration: Howard E. McCurdy

Chapter 15: Competing Visions for Exploration: Klaus P. Heiss & Dennis R. Wingo; Robert Zubrin

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Section V: Security Space Perspectives

Chapter 16: History of Security Space Activity and Spacepower: James Lewis

Chapter 17: Increasing the Military Uses of Space: Henry F. Cooper, Jr. & Everett C. Dolman

Chapter 18: Preserving Freedom of Action in Space: Michael Krepon, Theresa Hitchens & Michael Katz-Hyman

Chapter 19: Balancing Security Interests: Michael E. O'Hanlon

Section VI: International Perspectives

Chapter 20: Russia: James E. Oberg

Chapter 21: China: Dean Cheng

Chapter 22: Europe: Xavier Pasco

Chapter 23: Emerging Actors: Randall R. Correll

Section VII: Evolving Futures for Spacepower

Chapter 24: Evolving U.S. Structures: John M. Logsdon

Chapter 25: Evolving International Structures: Dana J. Johnson

Chapter 26: Technological and Bureaucratic Drivers for Spacepower: Taylor Dinerman

Chapter 27: Building Human Capital for Spacepower: S. Peter Worden

Afterword: The Future of Spacepower:

Appendixes

Space Law: Outer Space Treaty, Registration Convention, Rescue and Return Agreement, Liability Convention, Moon Treaty, PAROS Proposals, IADC

Orbits and Orbital Mechanics

Basics of Space System Design

Possibly Bibliographic Essay, Annotated Bibliography (assembled from COP), and Comprehensive Bibliography

Requirements for Concise Spacepower Theory

Volume I should:

- Account for the structure of the field:
 - the divergent world views of each sector and
 - the dynamics of their interactions.
- Define the boundary conditions of the theory:
 - Cis-Lunar space as opposed to all of space
 - International perceptions of spacepower and their effect on US policy
- Ask the key, fundamental questions regarding the uses and purposes of space to extract underlying principles.
 - Question hypotheses and present conditions.
 - Test counterfactuals.
- Construct a framework that integrates divergent points of view and takes into account potential future scenarios.
- **Roles of Theory:** Define Construct Explain Connect Anticipate

Upcoming Activities

> NDU Capstone Symposium: 25-26 April 07

 Initial presentation of Volume I Spacepower Theory findings.

Community of Practice Website

- http://groups-

beta.google.com/group/spacepower-theory

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