

IAA Study Group Status Report

Responsible Commission: Five

Study Number and Title: 5.10 Orbital Debris Removal: Policy, Political, Legal, and Economic Considerations

Short Study Description (repeat from Study Group Proposal):

This report focuses on the international political and legal acceptability of debris removal, and on the international political, policy and legal conditions necessary for ADR to take place. It further addresses the economic case for debris removal and explores the related topic of satellite on-orbit servicing (OOS).

Progress in past six months:

Following IAA external expert review, the editors made a number of revisions to the text and then resubmitted it to the Study Group Members for a final review. The results of those reviews led to a relatively small number of changes to bring the numbers up to date and to sharpen the recommendations. The final draft needs clarification on a few references (less than 10) and reformatting to accommodate the revisions made to the text. The entire report should be delivered to Commission 5 by 18 March 2019.

Website Study Information update: (please give any update regarding Study Group Membership, documents, Study Plan and Schedule):
Final report to Commission 5 by 18 March 2019

Issues requiring resolution? (recommend approach):

None

Product Deliveries on Schedule? (If modified explain rationale):

No

Study Team Member Changes? (List any Study Team Members that you wish to discontinue, and provide names plus contact coordinates of any Members you wish to add on the second page of this Study Update form.) Note: Complete contact information including email, tel. and fax must be provided for all additions. Only Members with complete contact information will be listed and receive formal appointment letters from the IAA Secretariat.)

Name of person providing Study Group Status (Study Group Chair or Co-Chair):
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