

# GNOSIS Newsletter #23

Welcome to our spring newsletter, featuring details of our upcoming sandpit, and other news and events on sustainability in space.

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## GNOSIS Sandpit on Black Swan Scenarios

June 6th, 13:00 - 17:30



On 6 June, the GNOSIS network is hosting a sandpit to address the Global Risk Continuum challenge that Darren McKnight proposed at the Black Swan event in 2022.

Darren's paper sought to address the probabilities associated with various potential risks to humanity, and this has the potential to contextualise the threats to sustained space operations. Understanding these risks, and properly calculating their relative likelihood is key to developing the right mitigations, contingencies, and countermeasures.

Join our sandpit on 6 June and help us to save the world!!!

[Register](#)

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## UKSA funding for international space partnerships

The UK Space Agency is launching a [£20 million International Bilateral Fund](#) to support international partnerships that will harness the UK's national strengths, support new space capabilities and catalyse investment.

The call is due to close on 9 June 2023. [Find out more information and apply.](#)

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This year's [Summit for Space Sustainability](#) focuses on several critical themes, including

- reinforcing sustainability through corporate performance,
- strengthening international space governance, and
- building a sustainable cislunar space economy.

### **Networking:**

The conference will be bringing together a high-level and diverse group of speakers, participants, and stakeholders from government, academia, industry, and non-profit organizations from across the United States and around the globe. There will be many networking opportunities throughout the conference, including breakfast, coffee breaks, luncheons, and a happy hour reception on the evening of June 13. The event app Whova can also be used for virtual networking among both in-person and online attendees, and for participating in live Q&A and polling during the keynotes and panel sessions.

### **Young Professionals & Students:**

The [Secure World Foundation](#) is always committed to inspire the next generations of leaders in space sustainability. There will be a breakfast networking event exclusively for the student attendees and young professionals on June 14. If you are an academic institution interested in having your students attend the conference, please [contact us](#) for more information on special partnership opportunities.

[Register here](#)

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The Space Generation Advisory Council (SGAC)–UK Space Agency–Secure World Foundation (SWF) Scholarship is open for submissions until 16 May 2023, 23:59 GMT. This scholarship is designed to bring seven students or young professionals to attend the [5th Summit for Space Sustainability](#), hosted by the SWF, in New York City, New York, USA, on June 13–14, 2023.

### About the Scholarship

The scholarship provides a grant of up to USD 3,500 towards the costs of attending the Summit. Up to four scholarships will be awarded to UK residents/citizens, students, or young professionals and up to three to international students or young professionals. To apply, you must create a 1-minute video showcasing your knowledge on one of [the panels' topics](#) of the Summit. You can find further details and apply [here](#).

### Dates For Your Diary

See our [Events Calendar](#) for details of all the upcoming GNOSIS Events, as well as other events related to sustainability in space. The Calendar also provides links to content from previous GNOSIS events, so you can revisit or catch-up on anything you may have missed.