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**Beijing Institute of Technology and  
the Academy of Air, Space Policy and Law of BIT**

Founded in 1940, Beijing Institute of Technology (BIT) stands as one of China's national key universities, consistently recognized and included in the prestigious "211 Project", "985 Project", and "Double First-Class" initiatives for universities. BIT enjoys a prominent position in both domestic and global educational spheres, boasting widespread influence reflected in its accolades including a rank of 340 in the 2024 QS World University Rankings, a placement within the 101-150 range in the 2023 Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU), and a commendable 9th place in the Chinese Mainland according to the QS Global Graduate Employability Rankings 2022.

BIT has, for the past 84 years, consistently targeted the cutting edge of global technological advancements, contributing significantly to technological progress and the training of aerospace experts worldwide. Notably, in the realm of aerospace, BIT's cutting-edge machinery has played a key role in various space missions, including the rendezvous and docking operations of spacecraft with space labs or stations, from the Shenzhou-8 to Shenzhou-17 missions and the Tianzhou-1 and Tianzhou-2 cargo spacecrafts. Furthermore, BIT's pioneering space life science experiments have been launched into orbit multiple times, marking China's first space science project to be hosted on the International Space Station.

The space law program in BIT enjoys reputation in the international space law community and has strong international influence and competitiveness. "Space Activities and Law" program is the only doctoral program in the field of space law and technology in China. The Space Law Center of the China National Space Administration (CNSA), established in 2017 with the support of Academy of Air, Space Policy and Law (AASPL), BIT, has become an important platform for international cooperation and exchange in the field of space law and policy. It plays an important role in promoting the research of cutting-edge space law issues in China's space law community, cultivating talents in space law, and promoting the



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development of space law science.

The AASPL, successor of the Institute of Space Law in BIT established in November 2006, is currently a leading research institution and think tank platform for outer space law and policy, renowned domestically and internationally. It currently has an excellent research and teaching team, including 3 professors, 3 associate professors, and 4 lecturers, including 1 Academician of the International Academy of Astronautics (IAA), 1 Board Director of the International Institute of Space Law (IISL), and 4 part-time researchers from abroad. In the past five years, the space law team has hosted and organized nearly a hundred seminars in the fields of space legislation and negotiations on international rules for outer space, with an average of hosting an international conference once every two years. It undertook more than 30 national and provincial-level research projects, published over 10 Chinese monographs and translations, and over 100 articles in either Chinese or English. Since 2008, it has been hosting and publishing the series of "China Space Law Yearbook". In addition, it has established the only doctoral program in the second level discipline of "Space Technology and Law" and the largest space law resource center in China. It currently has over 2000 books on space law and more than 10 categories of domestic and foreign aviation and space law journals.

In addition, the AASPL of BIT has supported China's Ministry of Foreign Affairs and China National Space Administration in participating in the United Nations negotiations on outer space rules for twelve years and has been invited multiple times to attend high-level outer space seminars organized by the United Nations, exerting significant influence both domestically and internationally.