

**2<sup>nd</sup> International Space Forum (ISF) 2017 - The African Chapter**  
“*Space Science and Academia for Sustainable Development in Africa*”  
13<sup>th</sup> February 2018– Nairobi (Kenya)

Tanzania Statement

Hon. Ambassador Raychelle Omamo, Cabinet Secretary for Defence – Kenya,  
President of Italian Space Agency,  
Prof. Roberto Battiston, President, Italian Space Agency (ASI),  
Dr. Jean-Yves Le Gall, President, International Astronautical Federation (IAF),  
Hon. Ministers and Delegates,  
Ladies and Gentlemen:

Greetings from Tanzania Minister of Education, Science and Technology:  
Prof. Joyce Ndalichako who couldn't be here today due to other  
commitments.

It is a privilege to be here with you today to provide the statement for  
Tanzania on space science and academia for sustainable development in  
Africa.

Space is a global and multidisciplinary system requiring a high level of  
technical and scientific knowledge. Universities and Academia constitute a  
worldwide network of privileged knowledge that could support the  
conception, preparation and exploitation of the Space programmes, regardless  
of geographical location.

Tanzania does not have a *Space Agency* yet. However, various government  
agencies and institutions play key roles in utilization of Space applications.

On the *Capacity Building*: Tanzania has established 2 fully-fledged Universities  
for Science and Technology, hence supporting more capacity building of  
experts in Science and Technology. As of today, there exist few experts in the  
country, some of whom participated in the formulation of African Union  
Space Policy.

On the “*Environment Sustainability*”, Climate Change is still a big concern  
worldwide. Tanzania sees an opportunity in using space technologies to deal  
with natural catastrophes such as flood, draughts, fire as well as climate  
change in general.

On the issue of “*Space Partnerships*”, Tanzania is attending this meeting to  
support the Africa Space initiative. But also, we are exploring partnership  
opportunities in the subject.

Let me end by thanking the organizers for the invitation as well as the  
Government of Kenya for hosting the event.

Thank you for your attention.