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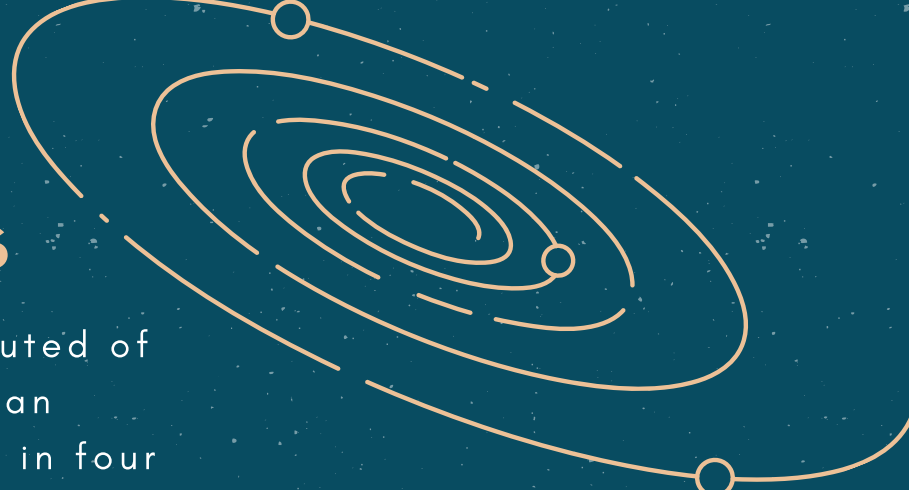
The ESSC is constituted of leading European researchers working in four panels to reflect the variety of space-related disciplines:

Astronomy and
Fundamental Physics

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Policy Advice

The ESSC provides formal, authoritative and impartial scientific advice to the European Space Agency (ESA), the European Commission (EC), European national space agencies, and other decision-makers in the space domain.

Studies

Underlining the role of space sciences and technology as essential pillars of the European space venture.

Roadmaps

Supporting European visibility and enhancing the position of Europe in global space initiatives, also taking into account national priorities. Assessing the status and perspectives of European space activities regularly.

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ESSC members are drawn from reputed experts active in all fields of space research. They are selected based on scientific expertise, recognition within the community and their experience on boards.

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ESSC is represented ex officio

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ESSC has observer status

in ESA's Council of Ministers of ESA Member States since 1999.

ESSC maintains close relationships

With the EC/EU, the National Academies' Space Studies Board in the US, and with the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs, the Chinese Academy of Sciences and other China's space science authorities, and with Russian and Japanese scientists and relevant institutions, in addition to COSPAR, and various scientific bodies sitting at their science advisory committees.

OUR MISSION

We strive to be Europe's reference body for independent expertise on matters of space science, acting as a representative voice of the European space science community and promoting international cooperation in the field.

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To be an authentic and trusted voice of the European Space Sciences Community ensuring maximum benefits of Europe's investments in the space domain, and increasing support for space sciences in public and private sectors.

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