

**COOPERATION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA
AND
THE EUROPEAN SPACE AGENCY**

THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA (hereinafter referred to as “Canada”) and **THE EUROPEAN SPACE AGENCY** established by the Convention opened for signature in Paris on 30 May 1975 (hereinafter referred to as “the Agency”),

HAVING REGARD to the Cooperation Agreement between the Government of Canada and the European Space Agency signed in Paris on 21 June 2000 which provides for the close cooperation between Canada and the Agency for the period starting on 1 January 2000 and elapsing on 31 December 2009;

CONSIDERING that such agreement is inscribed in a long lasting cooperation for exclusively peaceful purposes, in the fields of space research and technology and their space applications, established between Canada and the Agency since 1979;

CONSIDERING the mutual benefits brought by such cooperation, which has been implemented by the participation of Canada, through the Canadian Space Agency, in several of the Agency’s activities and programmes;

HAVING REGARD to the Resolution on the European Space Policy adopted by the Council of the Agency on 22 May 2007 (ESA/C/CXCIV/Res. 1 (Final)) and to the Resolution “Taking forward the European Space Policy” adopted by the Council of the Agency on 26 September 2008 (ESA/C-M/CCII/Res. 1 (Final));

DESIRING to pursue and to strengthen further the close cooperation between Canada and the Agency;

AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE I

The purpose of this Agreement is to provide for the long-term continuing framework for close cooperation between Canada and the Agency for the new period specified in Article XIV.