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### Abstract

The vision of space expressed by political and industry leaders usually doesn't extend much beyond big budget projects. To truly live into the future in space that awaits us, however, will require a bold shift in how we approach space policy. With tremendous advances in capabilities, the private sector has become a better, equal partner with government. Our present policy framework is based on the old structure of government leading, defining, planning, and paying. A new far-reaching policy framework designed with this new partnership in mind can accelerate our prospect for expanding human civilization beyond Earth. This talk will discuss how we leverage the current trend and push the policy envelope to firmly establish this vision as a guiding principle for all space stakeholders. The three pillars discussed in this track will provide the foundation for such a framework.

### A short bio

Steven Wolfe is a Beyond Earth Institute President and Co-founder. He is also Deputy Executive Director for Global Spaceport Alliance and partner at CWSP International. He serves as the Space and Board of Editors for the Journal of Space Philosophy. Steve served in Washington as the executive director of the Congressional Space Caucus and drafted the Space Settlement Act of 1988. The bill was signed into law as part of the NASA Authorization bill. Steve is the author of "The Obligation: A Journey to Discover Human Purpose on Earth and in the Cosmos".