

Press release

FLIGHT 261: NEW TARGETED LAUNCH DATE

The new targeted launch date for Heinrich-Hertz-Satellit and SYRACUSE 4B is July 4.

Following the replacement of the three pyrotechnical transmission lines identified as doubtful on the Ariane 5 launcher as well as a comprehensive review of all pyrotechnical lines, Arianespace decided to resume the launch campaign for VA261.

Initially scheduled for June 16, the new targeted launch date for VA261 is July 4, 2023, as soon as possible within the following launch window:

- **Between 05:30 p.m. and 07:05 p.m. Washington, D.C. time,**
- **Between 06:30 p.m. and 08:05 p.m. Kourou time,**
- **Between 09:30 p.m. and 11:05 p.m. Universal time (UTC),**
- **Between 11:30 p.m. and 01:05 a.m., July 5, Paris time,**
- **Between 06:30 a.m. and 08:05 a.m., July 5, Tokyo time.**

The Ariane 5 launch vehicle and its passengers Heinrich-Hertz-Satellit and SYRACUSE 4B are in stable and safe conditions.

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