

## FLIGHT 261: POSTPONEMENT OF THE LAUNCH

### New launch date for SYRACUSE 4B and Heinrich-Hertz-Satellit

Due to unfavorable high altitude winds above the Guiana Space Center, Arianespace has decided not to initiate the final phase of VA261 launch preparation operations.

Subject to favorable weather conditions, the earliest possible launch date for VA261 flight is July 5, 2023:

- **Between 7:00 p.m. and 8:05 p.m. Kourou, French Guiana time,**
- **Between 10:00 p.m. and 11:05 p.m. Universal time (UTC).**

The Ariane 5 launch vehicle and the two satellites –SYRACUSE 4B and Heinrich-Hertz-Satellit– are in stable and safe conditions.

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