

Space transportation

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European Space Agency

Strenghten Europe's gateway to Space





Motto for *Space19+*:

Further cost reduction

in enabling affordable autonomous Access to Space for Europe

and more innovation

in enabling **Research & Technology** regarding the preparation for the future in **new space transportation services**

Missions from CSG, Europe's Spaceport



Latest Earth Observation missions:

- VS19 MetOp-C, 6 November 2018
- VV12 Aeolus, 22 August 2018
- VV09 Sentinel-2B, 07 March 2017
- VS14 Sentinel-1B, 25 April 2016
- VA224 MSG-4, 15 July 2015
- VV05 Sentinel-2A, 23 June 2015
- VS07 Sentinel-1A, 03 April 2014
- VV02 Proba-V, 07 May 2013
- VA207 MSG-3, 05 July 2012

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Vega



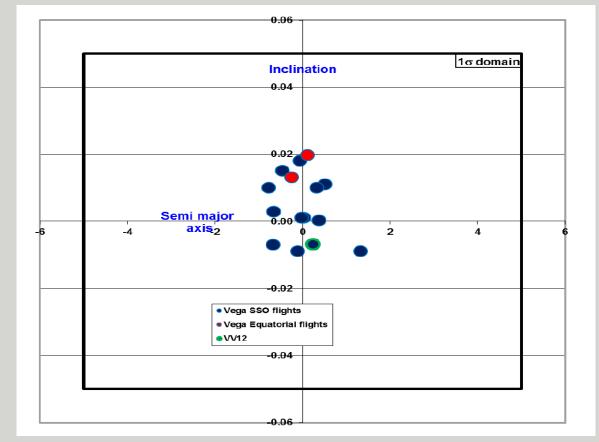
/V12	Aeolus,	22 August	2018
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Parameters	Predicted	Customer Ranging (*)	Delta
Semi-major axis a (km)	6694.01	6694.26	0.252
Eccentricity	0.00085	0.00070	-0.00015
Inclination i (deg)	96.729	96.722	-0.007
PSO (deg)	207.254	207.386	0.132
RAAN (deg) (wrt KRU mrd)	2.789	2.778	-0.011

(*) Customer ranging backwards to 22:15:06 UTC separation time.

AEOLUS Parameters	Delta (Customer ranging-prediction)
Semi-major axis a	+0.05 σ
Eccentricity e	-0.38 σ
Inclination i	-0.14 σ

Vega injection accuracy



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The L3 Initiative

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The Light-sat Low-cost Launch opportunities Initiative's scope encompasses a set of activities required to define, develop and qualify the products, processes and organisations necessary to provide timely, low-cost, standardised launch service solutions, based on Ariane 6 and Vega/Vega C launches, which are suited to the needs of satellites below 500 kg of mass. Main Activities

- Definition of a European standardised launch service for Light-Sats in full coordination between Ariane 6 and Vega/Vega
- Dedicated "Proof-of-concept" flights performed to demonstrate and validate standardised innovative processes and services



Year	Launch Opportunity	
2019	Vega SSMS PoC Flight (Rideshare)	
2020	Vega C SSMS PoC Flight (Rideshare)	
2021	 Vega C SSMS Yearly Flight (Rideshare) Vega C commercial flight with Spare capacity (Piggy back) Ariane 6 MLS PoC Flight (Piggy back) 	
2022	 Vega C SSMS Yearly Flight (Rideshare) Vega C commercial flight with Spare capacity (Piggy back) Ariane 6 MLS (Piggy back) 	

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The Vega SSMS Proof of Concept Flight





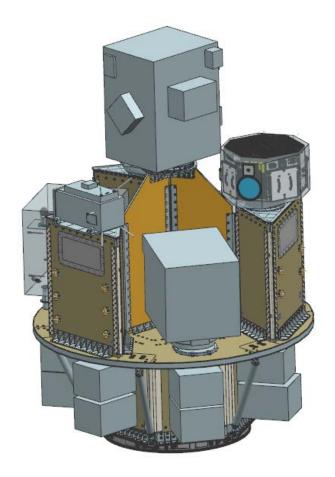
The first Proof of Concept flight in the frame of the L3 initiative is planned for **Mid 2019**.

The dedicated SSMS (Standardised Small Mission Service) adapter, integrated with an aggregate of small payloads, will be put on top of a Vega launcher.

The selection of payloads on this first flight started with a joint ESA EC AE Announcement of Opportunity issued in 2017, and was then finalized by the Vega Launch Service Provider Arianespace. It includes both Institutional and commercial customers.

The final payloads aggregate consists of:

- 7 nano-microsatellites (including 3 Institutional) +
- up to 12 deployers integrated in the Hexagonal Lower Module (HEXA) containing up to 42 CubeSats (among them 7 Institutional).





P120 C motor static firing test

Development model successful test on July 16th

Qualification model campaign ongoing QM1 for Vega OM2 for Ariane 6





Space Rider exploitation

Selection process of the mission customer(s)

- Qualification Flight
- Demonstrations missions:

ESA flight such as for microgravity

EC flight such as for In-Orbit Validation /In-Orbit Demonstration

Commercial flight such as pharmaceutical

Security/defense flight for third party such as testing of recon. instruments

Test different operators with regard to established High level principles

Space Rider Service Provider selection at CM'22



Enable the 4th dimension of Transportation





Pillar of any modern economy

Guarantee of sovereignty

Opportunity for new markets





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