



VEGA FLIGHT VV23 NOW SCHEDULED ON OCTOBER 8

Kourou (French Guiana), 08 October 2023 – New launch date for THEOS-2, FORMOSAT-7R/TRITON and auxiliary payloads.

Additional checks on Vega flight VV23 are now complete, authorizing a new launch attempt for today, Sunday, October 8 at:

- 10:36 p.m. Kourou time;
- 01:36 a.m. Universal Time (UTC), on October 9;
- 03:36 a.m. Central European Summer Time (CEST), October 9.

The launcher and its satellites, THEOS-2, FORMOSAT-7R/TRITON and the 10 auxiliary payloads remain in stable and safe conditions.

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