



VEGA FLIGHT VV23: POSTPONEMENT OF THE LAUNCH

Kourou (French Guiana), 07 October 2023 – Due to a measurement slightly above its maximum threshold during the final countdown, the VV23 launch sequence has been interrupted.

Additional checking is being conducted to confirm a new launch attempt on Saturday, October 7 at 10.36 p.m. (local time in Kourou – 1.36 a.m. on October 8 ITC)

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

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