

Space Transportation Proposal to Space 19+



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STS Main Elements at Space 19+



- Inspiration
- Competitiveness
- Responsibility



A detailed illustration of a space mission. On the left, the Earth's blue and white horizon curves into the frame. A rocket is shown ascending from the bottom left. Various spacecraft, including satellites with solar panels, landers, and service modules, are scattered across the dark space. On the right, the Moon is shown in a grey, cratered state, with a small lander on its surface. The background is filled with numerous stars.

Future Space Transportation preparation at Space 19+: FLPP

- 30th September 2019, Bruxelles -

- A6/Vega-C developments on track with a lot of work ahead,
- New challenges are incoming with maturity in 2025
- Horizon in 2022 where:
 - Ariane and Vega exploitation will be on-going
 - GEO/MEO/LEO markets stabilised, or at least more visibility
 - Newspace will have passed reality check

 **2019-23** period devoted to **preparation** of innovative operational capabilities **for 2025 and beyond**

 **2022** will be time to **decide** – or not – **new development** phase

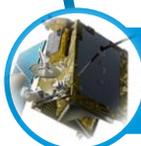
The next decade: some drivers

Drivers
2025+
horizon



Space Economy

- 5G, IoT, private infrastructure, ...



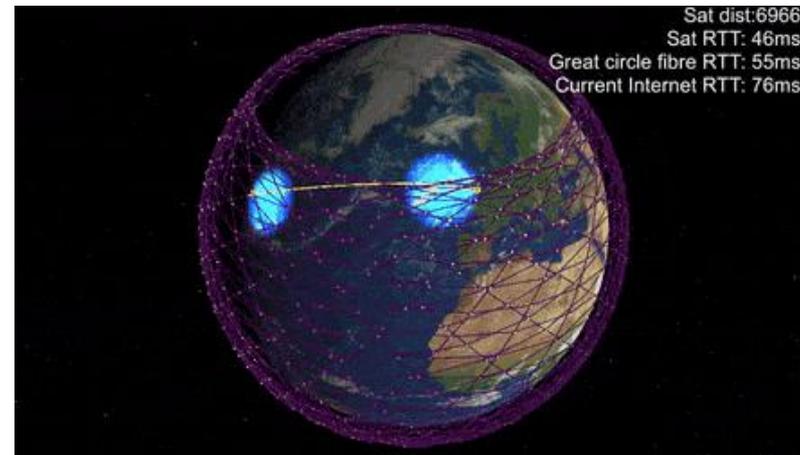
Spacecraft Technology

- 1G Mega Const, HAPS, Servicing, ...



Launch Competition

- Ariane 6/VEGA-C, BFR, New Glenn, Micro, ...



Commercial space and space transportation become part of the « **Data world** »
ie: deliver the right data to the right place at the right moment

Institutional space will remain a major player, especially in **exploration**

Future Space Transportation: 2019-2023 period

For resilience in view of 2022 milestone, help prepare our sector to deliver end to end Space Transportation services.

At Space19+ three objectives:

1. Mid/Long-term **competitiveness** improvement of launch services for institutional missions:

Prometheus, ETID, Avionics, Themis/Reusability, Advanced Technologies...

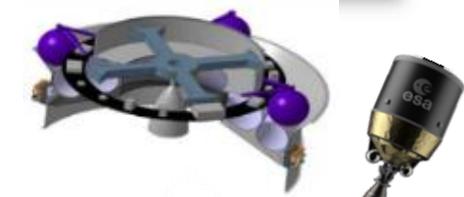
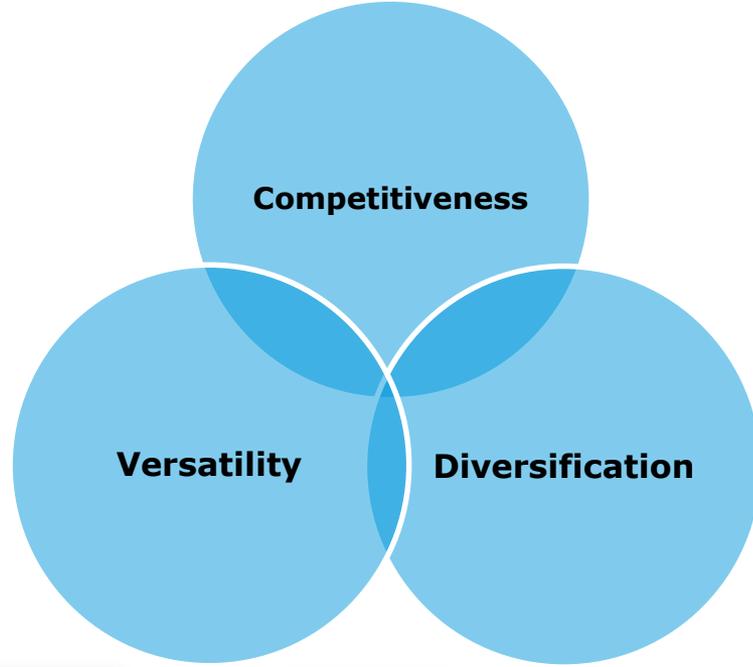
2. Increase of the **versatility** of Space Transportation:

Space Logistics, Kick Stage, Green Propulsion/Berta, Advanced Technologies, In Space PoC mission...

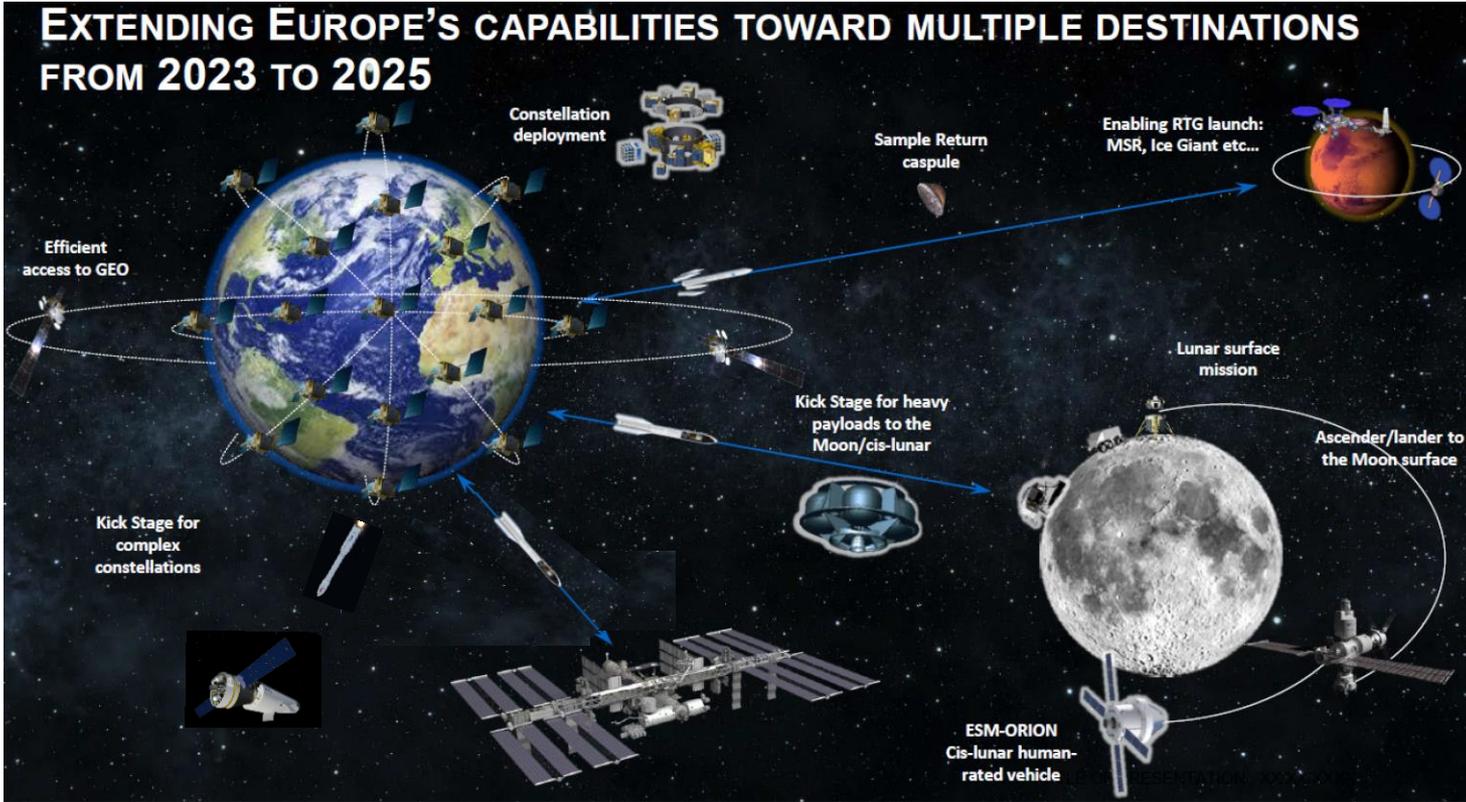
3. **Diversification** of the Space Transportation processes:

Advanced Technologies, Startup and NewTech, Accelerators, Spacecraft manufacturers...

Preparing Future Space Transportation



Preparing Future Space Transportation



...towards Space Logistics

Enabling bricks

**Ariane 6 & Vega-C
and evolutions**



**Ariane 6
2020**

**Vega-C
2019**



**Preparation of
evolution bricks**

**Modular & flexible
dispensers and
kickstages**

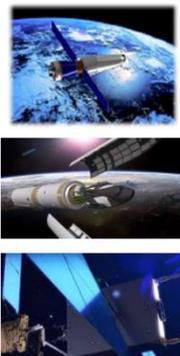


Dispenser flexibility



**Rideshare &
Kick-stage family**

**In-orbit
Commercial
Services**



**Servicing vehicles
launched by
Arianespace**

**Strategic cooperation
on recurring cis-lunar
station access**



**Cooperation on Orion
European Service
Module
& Competitive cargo**

**Towards significant
European role on the
lunar surface**

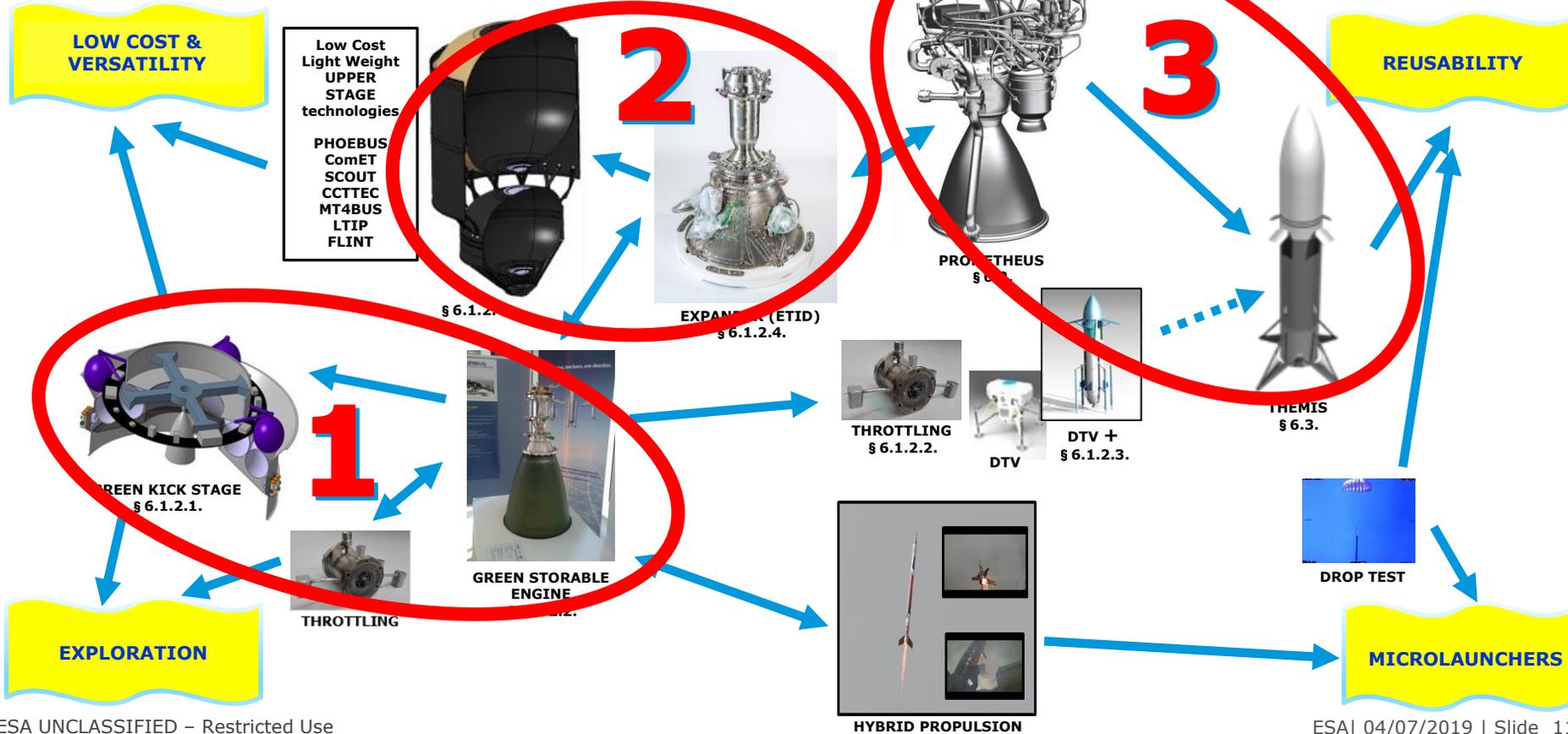


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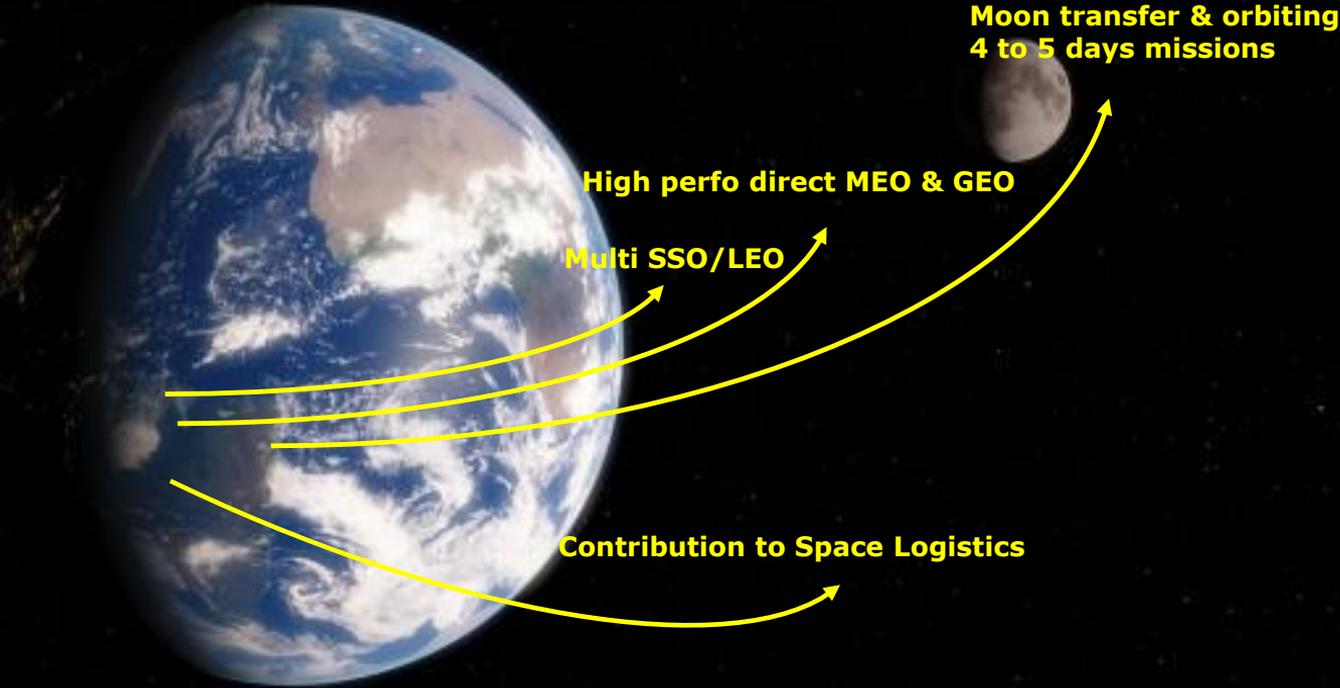
**Sovereign European
payload delivery
&
Towards human rated
access in international
cooperation**

A web of demonstrators



1- Green Kick Stage

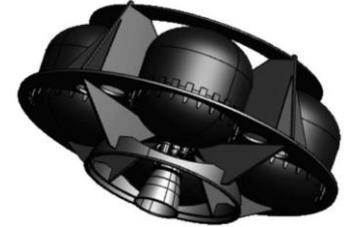
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A complete project, gathering all fields of Space Transportation technologies



5 kN KICK STAGE
FULL SCALE DEMO 2020-23



Ultra light tanks
CFRP structure
NG avionics
Innovative AOCS



Green BERTA engine
2018-22
Full ALM combustion chamber
Green propellants
E-pumps
Throttling

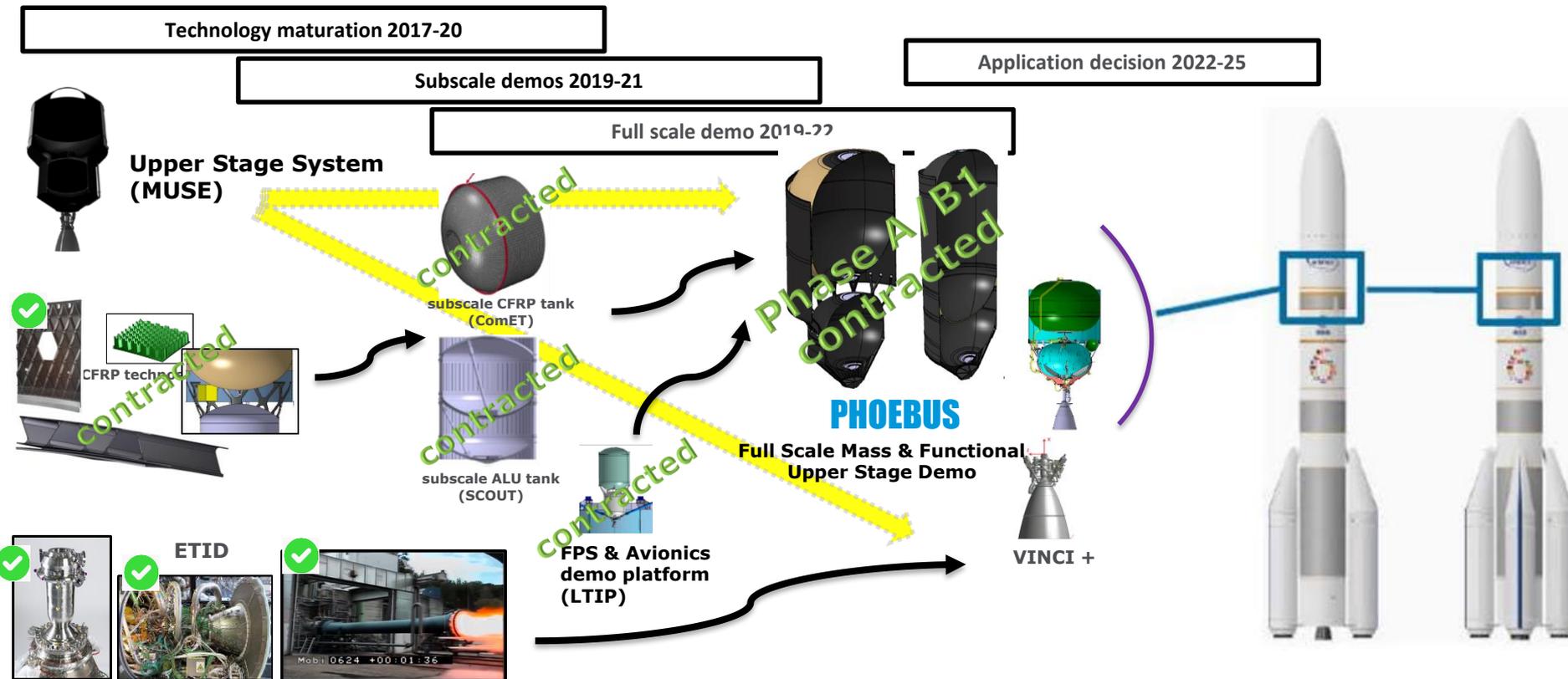


2- Low-Cost / Light Weight Upper Stage for Ariane

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End-to-End logic of activities:



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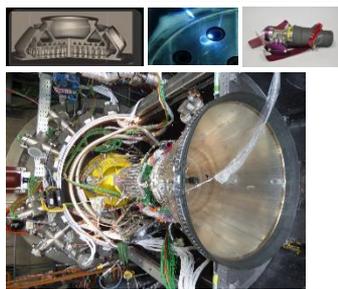
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2- ETID / Vinci +

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2013-19
FLPP 3 - ETID
23 hot-fire tests
2,707 seconds
From 90 to 150 kN tested
Mixture ratio from 4 to 7 tested



ALM injector head
NiCo jacket
Low cost copper liner
Optimised regen nozzle
Electronic regulation
Electric valves
Laser ignition
Spark ignition




2019-23
ETID 2 / Vinci +

-50% on MASS
-50% on PROD COST

All CGS combustion chamber
ALM injector head
WAAM manifolds
Industrial laser or spark ign.
Low cost regen nozzle
Light weight CC/NE junction
Ultra light rad skirt

Low cost electric valves (ALM)
Flight design electronic regulation

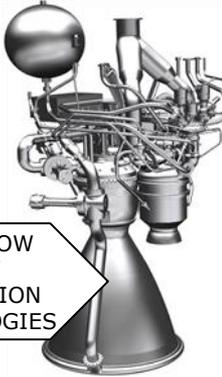
Light weight turbopumps
AM turbines, AM manifolds, ...

Light weight HP pipes

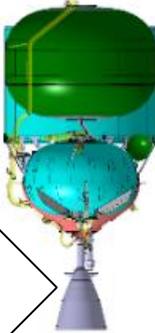


P4.1 – Tests at engine level

ETID / Vinci +	
Isp	> 457 s
Mass	< 260 kg
Thrust range	110-150 kN

ULTRA LOW COST PROPULSION TECHNOLOGIES



LIGHT & LOW COST PROPULSION SOLUTION



3-Prometheus & Themis

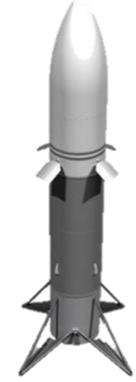
Preparation 2016-20

National & EU



Flight test: 2023

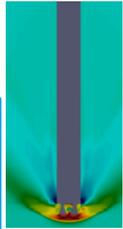
Objective:
Protoflight recovery with Prometheus



Application



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Business opportunities



3- Prometheus Element

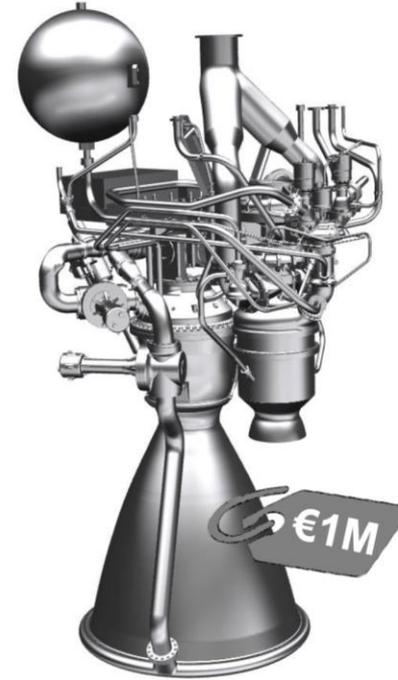
FLPP Prog. Prop. Section 6.2



Objectives

Target Ariane evolution (Vulcain Neo/Vinci+, main propulsion) as specified from FLPP System studies (Demo HLR) with validation of the following:

- Recurring Cost, target 1M€
- Versatility in terms of engine application, upgrade potential
- Thrust/weight ratio and delivered performances.
- Reusability.



First Test Campaign by end 2020 at DLR Lampoldshausen (DE)

3-Themis/Reusability: Space19+

(FLPP Prog. Prop. Section 6.3)

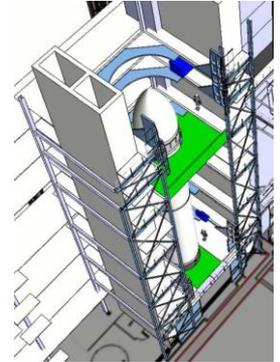
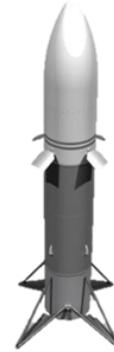


Business opportunities

Activities:

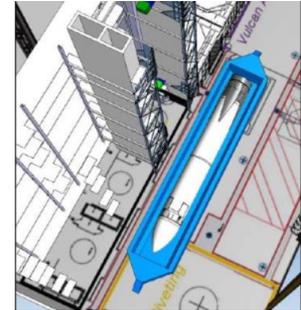
Flight Vehicle :

- Demo preliminary and detailed design
- Development logic and plan
- Vehicle manufacturing (2 configurations)
- Subsystems ground tests (tank functional tests, avionic & software tests, structural)



Ground segment:

- Selection of launch and recovery sites
- Design of launch and recovery means (or adaptation of existing ones if relevant)



Combined tests:

- Ground tests (including firing tests of the full demonstrator)
- Flight tests including refurbishments (~5)



FLPP: Business opportunities



ID	ACTIVITY STRAILER	KEY	INDUSTRIAL POSSIBLE
VA16	Use cost standard modular design for the antenna modules, precise antenna beam control, pointing, beam-steering, beam-shaping	Antenna, communication with	Radio, TV, PA, antenna, PA
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Demonstrators

VEGA C/Evo/VSS

Themis

Kick-stage

Ariane 6 Evo/Next



New Tech



Sandbox

IDE/GSTP

Generic and Crosscutting Technologies



Technologies for Propulsion

Structures, dynamics, efficient integration

Advanced Avionics

Space Logistics

Technology needs	Elements	Space Logistics element	Priority
GNC	Orbit navigation using Galileo/GPS	AO	1
	Atmospheric GNC	Vega/GM Evolutions, Reaction wheel	1
	Orbital GNC including docking	AO (docking), Moon ascent vehicle, Space Tug, Cargo, servicing vehicles	1
	Moon landing, and ascent, Earth landing GNC	Moon lander, Moon ascent vehicle, Earth re-usable	1
Autonomy	Reentry GNC	Reentry re-usable, Cargo re-usable	1
	Inertial Measurement Unit	AO	5
	Reaction wheel	AO	5
	Startracker	AO orbital	3
	Sun sensor	AO orbital	3
	Earth sensor	AO orbital	3
	GPS	AO	5
Power	Thermistors	AO	4
	TMTC	AO	5
	DBC	AO	4
	Hermetic	AO	4
	PCDU	AO	5
Other	Venus, Kickstage, Space Tug, Depot, Servicing vehicles	AO	5
	Battery	AO	3

Other R&T



Highlights: business opportunities for Belgium

- Kick Stage subsystems and S/W
- Themis structures, Material, grid fins and actuator
- Valves for Prometheus/Themis
- Valves for Vinci+
- Valves for Vulcain Neo
- Valves for Berta Kick Stage
- Avionics, Battery and actuator, Electric propulsion elements
- Bearing tests for Prometheus and Vulcain Neo
- Aerodynamics for Themis testing
- Additive manufacturing for propulsion and structures
- .../...

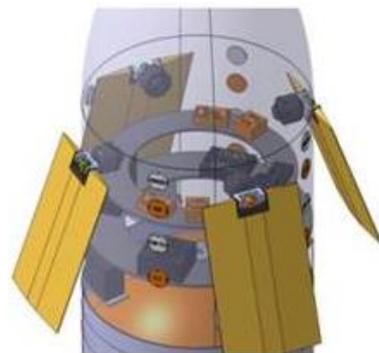
For more details, see FLPP 4th July WS presentation and Programme Proposal

Some Belgium achievements

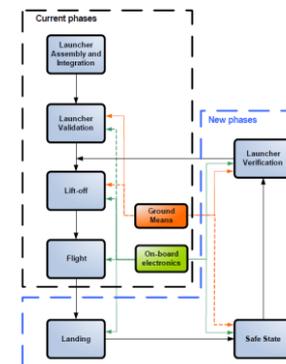
- Power-over-Ethernet Demonstrator



- CALLISTO mechanisms



- CALLISTO flight neutralisation and study of impact of reusability on avionics

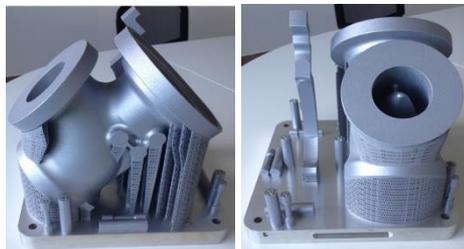


Cryogenic propulsion: Belgium achievements

- Belgium reached in FLPP the most advanced technological stage for cryogenic rocket engine valves in Europe
- In 2018-19, tests in full scale real hot-firing conditions of electronically controlled valves



- Rapid progress into low cost additive manufacturing processes for cryogenic valves



Additive manufacturing – optimised internal fluid veins



Figure 14 : Additive Manufacturing hollow ball

Cryogenic propulsion: Belgium achievements



- Belgium is **key provider** of valves for the Ariane cryogenic engines
- After compelling technological demonstrations in FLPP NEO, Belgium is ready to design and produce the valves for the next generation of European engines, i.e. Prometheus / Themis, VINCI +, VULCAIN NEO, in the upcoming propulsion projects of FLPP
- Belgium is well positioned to achieve the challenging objectives of serial cost reduction and electronic flow control assigned by the next generation of rocket engines in Europe



Why investing in future ST preparation?



A6 selection...



RUAG Space

Payload Fairing
Out-of-autoclave
Automated NDI

External Thermal Insulation



Advanced Friction Stir Welding
Al-Li base material



MT Aerospace

Opto-Pyro chain



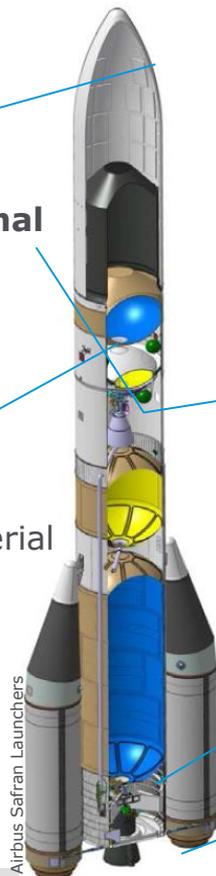
ArianeGroup / CRISA / KDA



TTEthernet



TTTech



Airbus Safran Launchers

Additive Layer Manufacturing

Vinci Injector Plate
Direct Metal Laser Sintering



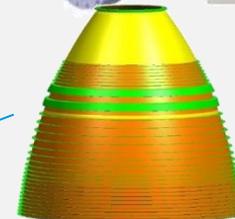
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Airbus Safran Launchers



Vulcan 2.1 Gas Generator
Direct Metal Laser Sintering
Vulcan/Vinci Valve
technology



Vulcan 2.1 Sandwich Nozzle
Laser welding
Laser Metal Deposition

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FLPP Programme Proposal:

To cope with these objectives, the  flpp Programme Proposal is structured as follows:

1. Studies, Demonstrator and Advanced Technology **Core Element** incorporating:
 - **System Studies** including space logistics
 - **Advanced technologies**
 - Demonstrators:
 - **Kick Stage** + Green storable propulsion
 - **Upper Stage** Demonstrators
 - Subscale **reusability Roadmap**
 - **Avionics** Test Bed
2. **Prometheus Element** incorporating:
 - Prometheus engine phase 2 Demonstration
 - Application plan of Prometheus advancements to operational engines
3. **Themis/Reusability Element**



List of activities:

- *Technologies:* Implementation of Technology Roadmaps (All MS Industry)

Low cost propulsion

- Component technology maturation
- Throttling techniques
- Engine life prediction/monitoring
- Engine clustering
- Electric cycle techno bricks



Additive Manufacturing

- Fast printing and large print area
- Multi-material in one print
- Process standardisation
- NDI tools and methodology (e.g. on-line/in-line process repair strategies)



Advance Avionics

- Low cost low weight H/W
- Fault tolerant and autonomous systems
- GNC for re-entry and landing
- Wireless network
- Innovative telemetry
- Batteries (Li-S) and power generation

Digitalisation

- Virtual testing approach
- Industry 4.0
- AI application to Tests



Generic / Crosscutting technologies

Major axes of maturation work

Materials, Structures and mechanisms

- Advanced metal forming and joining
- CFRP technologies
- In line monitoring and testing
- Vibration control/payload comfort
- Cryogenic tanks and propellant mgnt
- Flight actuation and separation systems

Reusability (entry/descent/landing)

- Recovery and reuse concepts studies
- Deceleration systems (inflatable, deployable,...)
- Vehicle HMS and FDIR
- Verification tools and facilities
- Materials aspects on reuse

Advanced concepts/Skunk works

- New engine cycle studies
- Hypersonic and HAPS
- Air launch and drop systems
- Carbon nano-based composites
- Human rating, ISRU, ...

Propulsion

Structures



Small-scale combustion chamber and injector, ArianeGroup GmbH



Turbine manifold, GKN



All-in one injector, ArianeGroup GmbH



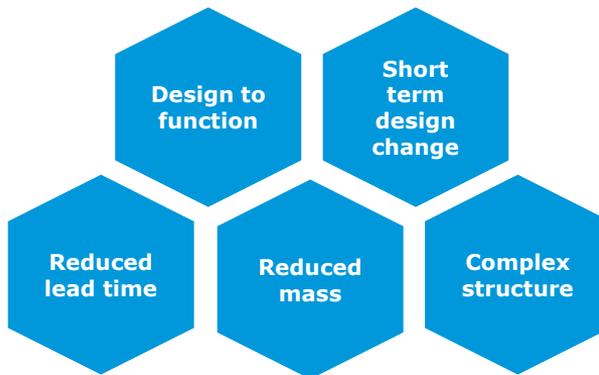
Valve cover, SAB



Hollow ball puppet, SAB



Polymer Vent-port RUAG

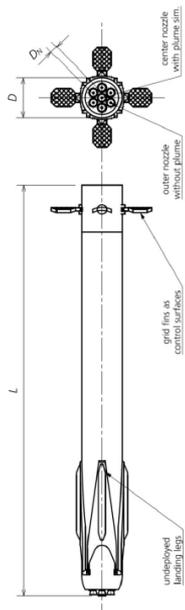


ISCAR bracket, ArianeGroup GmbH

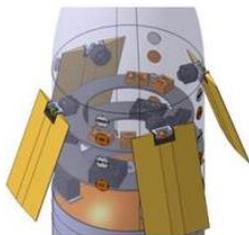


Metallic PUSM bracket, RUAG

Reusability (entry, descent, landing, refurbish)



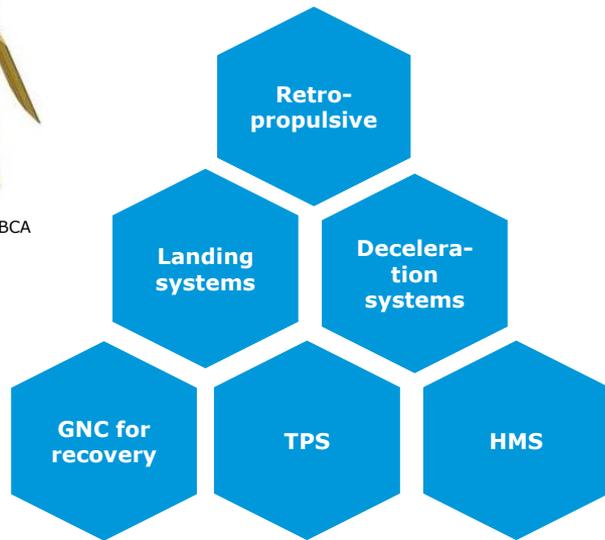
WTT and CFD for Retro-propulsion, DLR



Fins Control System, SABCA



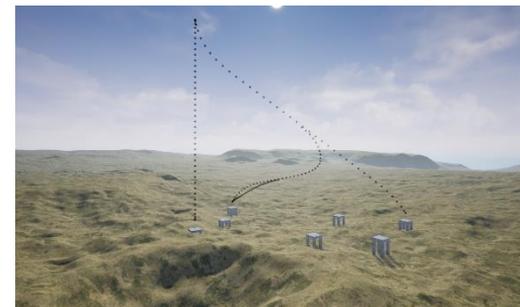
H2O2 Latch Valve, Nammo



DTV, INCAS



Micro-launcher 1st Stage recovery, PLD



On-board real time trajectory guidance, Embotech

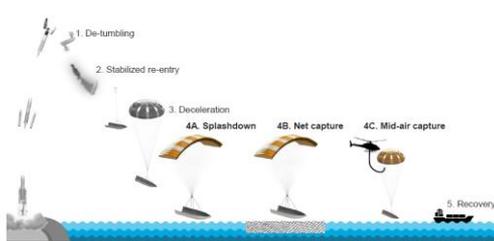
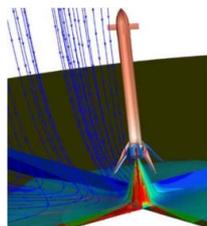
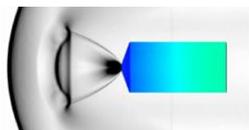


Reusability

Space 19+ perspectives: Bricks for reusable Demo's and LV elements

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- ❑ Recovery and reuse concept studies
- ❑ Deceleration and recovery systems (inflatable, HMS and FDIR)
- ❑ Vehicle and structures HMS and FDIR
- ❑ Reuse aspects on materials and avionics
- ❑ Propulsion techno's (throttling, clustering, etc)
- ❑ Verification tools and facilities

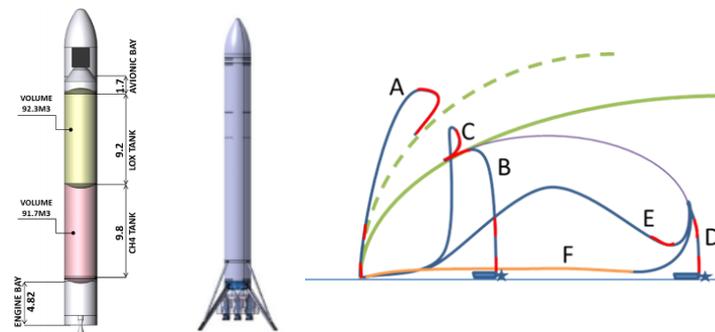


Reusability

Space 19+ perspectives: Specific technologies for retro-propulsive Liquid Reusable Booster/Core stage

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- GNC for recovery (hybrid nav, robust perf., autonomy)
- Multi Engine Bay TMF
- Landing legs
- Aerosurfaces/ re-entry stabilizers
- Health Monitoring System
- Rear Thermal Shield
- Reusable Thermal Protection System
- Autogenous pressurisation
- ACS



Advanced Avionics test platform

Coordinated advanced avionics test bed, building on the technology maturation performed in Avionics domain focused on TRL increase for reusable in-flight Demo

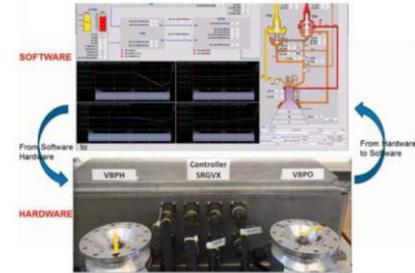
Low cost propulsion

Space 19+ perspectives

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- ❑ Electric regulation of engine
- ❑ Mixture ratio active regulation
- ❑ Engine life prediction/monitoring
- ❑ Boost pump
- ❑ Throttling techniques
- ❑ Low cost hybrid propulsion
- ❑ Electric components techno bricks





Ariane 6 Competitiveness Improvement at Space 19+

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30/09/2019

Ariane 6 Competitiveness Improvement



The ESA **Council** adopted in April 2019 a Resolution stressing that ... ***Ariane 64, Ariane 62 and Vega C ... competitiveness needs to be further improved** with respect to ERKP and VEKP cost targets through industrial cost reductions and developments specifically geared towards increasing competitiveness.*

The PB-LAU in September approved unanimously the **creation of an Additional Slice** within the programme for Ariane and Vega development **for the Ariane 6, Vega and P120C Competitiveness Improvements**.

The **objectives** set for the Ariane 6 Competitiveness Improvement are:

- **2023 horizon objectives**
 - To achieve a launch service **cost reduction** of **10%** (w.r.t. ERKP reference)
 - To get a **performance increase** of 500kg GTO for Ariane 62
 - To develop a low-cost kick-stage based on extensive use of off-the-shelf components, taking the fast lane
- **2025 horizon objectives**
 - To achieve a launch service cost reduction of **20%** (w.r.t. ERKP reference)
 - To get an additional performance increase whose magnitude will depend on Future Upper Stage decisions to be made at Space19+ and CM22.

The cost reduction objectives are complemented by improvements system aimed at increasing its competitiveness on the market **extending the mission domain** and improving service to payload and payload environment.

The **development On Time, On Cost, On Quality** of the Ariane 6 vs its requirements **is a must**, and necessary before entering into improvement of the competitiveness.



Ariane 6 Competitiveness Improvement



For Ariane 6 **Competitiveness Improvements activities**, the activities are driven by:

- **Cost reduction**, mainly achieved by i) Implementation of local launcher element definition changes, ii) modification of some manufacturing processes, and iii) improvement of launch campaign processes,
- **Improved performance**,
- **Multi-boost missions** with long coasting phases,
- **New missions** and injection strategies (also considering the kick-stage),
- Improved **Upper part flexibility** and P/L environment.

The cost benefit relation of the proposed activities will be assessed on the basis of the following elements:

- Cost reduction: cost reduction estimation over five years production / investment
- Improved versatility: Increased revenues estimated ex ante (increased number of launches per year) over five years / investment
- Improved performance: Increased revenues estimated ex ante (increased number of payload, improved filling ratio) over five years / investment

combining these elements, compared to thresholds built on a five years time horizon



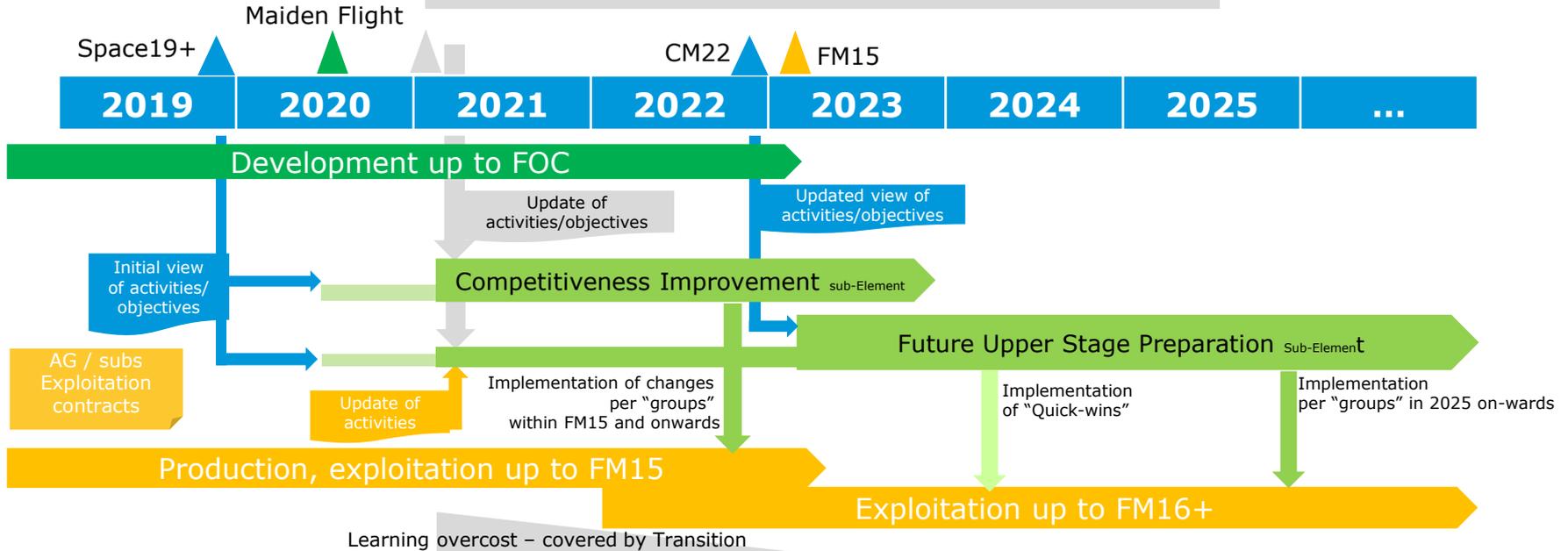
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Overall approach



Post Maiden Flight KP:

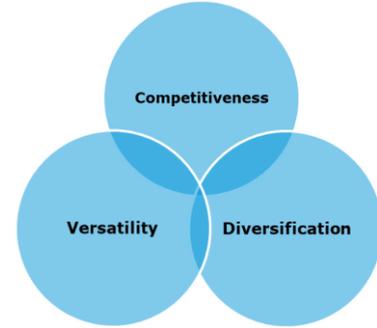
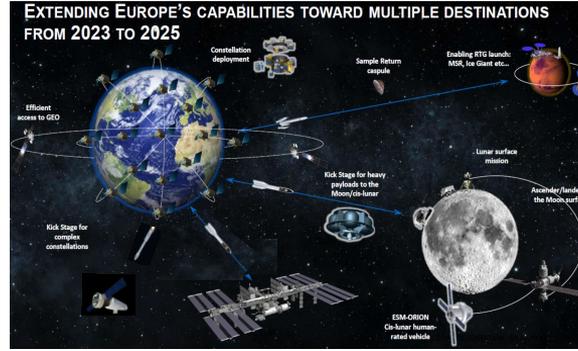
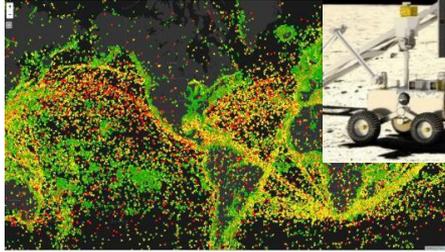
- Status of development post FM1
- Market review ⇒ Missions, Price on commercial market, reasonable cadence
- substantiate **effort for cost reduction** (incl. for escalation) missions adaptation, and associated **cadence**





Conclusion

Some words of conclusion



Space transportation more than just a lift

- End-to-end services, integrated in wider space business
- Intensification of interaction between commercial and institutional space



A detailed illustration of a space mission. On the left, the Earth's blue and white horizon curves into the frame. A rocket is shown ascending from the bottom left, with several smaller spacecraft and probes trailing behind it, each emitting a blue flame. In the upper right, the Moon is visible, with a small lander on its surface. Various other satellites and probes are scattered across the dark, star-filled background of space.

Thank you for your attention
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