

French Guiana launches rocket with 2 satellites

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(AP)—A rocket carrying European and Brazilian telecommunication satellites has been launched from French Guiana.

The Ariane5 launched Saturday carrying the EUTELSAT 21B satellite, which is to provide telecommunication, data and broadband services to Europe, North Africa, the Middle East and Central Asia. The rocket also carried Star One C3 satellite, which will provide telecommunication services to Brazil and the Andean region of South America.

<u>Arianespace</u> has 21 shareholders from 10 European countries, including France's CNES space agency.

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