

# Daily Space Snapshot

March 30, 2026 • Fresh stories, source-linked

TOPLINE

## Launch cadence + lunar surface ops are leading today's signal mix.

HELSINKI – Chinese firm CAS Space successfully reached orbit with the first launch of its Kinetica-2 launch vehicle Monday, with a prototype cargo spacecraft among the payloads.



TOP SIGNAL

**China's Kinetica-2 rocket debuts successfully, sending prototype cargo spacecraft to orbit**

Image: SpaceNews



MARKET MOVE

**'An incredible privilege and responsibility': Artemis 2's Christina Koch is ready to become the 1st woman to fly around the moon**

Image: Space.com



POLICY

**ESA launches first Celeste satellites to test complementary LEO navigation layer**

Image: SpaceNews



LAUNCH OPS

**CRS NG-24 launch window watch**

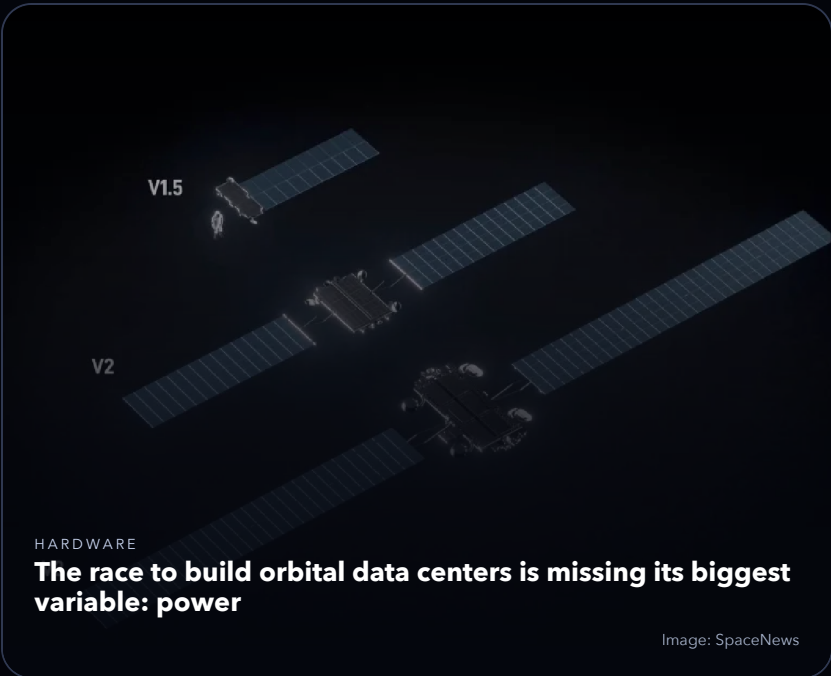
Image: Next Spaceflight



PROGRAM WATCH

**With Voyager's help, Icarus Robotics to test free-flyer on ISS**

Image: SpaceNews



HARDWARE

**The race to build orbital data centers is missing its biggest variable: power**

Image: SpaceNews



SCIENCE / PUBLIC

**After 16 years and \$8 billion, the military's new GPS software still doesn't work**

Image: Ars Technica Space

SIGNAL METER

### Topic Heat



LAUNCH WINDOW

### Upcoming Launches

- Mar 30, 2026 • Jiuquan Satellite Launch Center, China**  
Demo Flight (Qingzhou Prototype Spacecraft)
- Mar 30, 2026 • Vandenberg Space Force Base, California, U...**  
Transporter 16
- Mar 30, 2026 • Cape Canaveral Space Force Station, Florid...**  
Starlink Group 10-44
- Apr 1, 2026 • Plesetsk Cosmodrome, Russia**  
Meridian-M n°21L
- Apr 1, 2026 • Kennedy Space Center, Florida, USA**  
Artemis II

NARRATIVE BALANCE

### Signal Split

