

ArianeGroup to supply reflectors for Eutelsat's new HOTBIRD satellites

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- **Airbus Defence and Space, prime contractor for the two new Eutelsat HOTBIRD satellites, has selected ArianeGroup to supply 10 Antenna reflectors.**
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Airbus Defence and Space has selected ArianeGroup to supply 10 reflectors for the two new-generation HOTBIRD satellites in the Eutelsat' fleet, HOTBIRD 13F and HOTBIRD 13G.

These particularly compact, lightweight reflectors can be stored in groups of three on the same side of the satellite, making it possible for each satellite to deploy up to six reflectors. The two new-generation Eutelsat HOTBIRD satellites will both host five reflectors (three on one side, two on the opposite side), enabling the European operator to reinforce and enhance TV broadcasting services over Europe, the Middle East, and North Africa, when renewing its fleet in 2022.

This contract highlights the success of ArianeGroup's refurbished Antenna Reflectors product manufacturing line at Les Mureaux, France, which boasts a strong heritage of 158 reflectors produced since 2001. All 10 HOTBIRD reflectors will be delivered to Airbus Defence and Space during the course of 2020.

In parallel, ArianeGroup is working on introducing new products, to continue offering ever higher performance and value-added competitiveness to its customers.

About ArianeGroup

ArianeGroup develops and supplies innovative and competitive solutions for civil and military space launchers, with expertise in all aspects of state-of-the-art propulsion technologies. ArianeGroup is lead contractor for Europe's Ariane 5 and Ariane 6 launcher families, responsible for both design and the entire production chain, up to and including marketing by its Arianespace subsidiary, as well as for the missiles of the French oceanic deterrent force. ArianeGroup and its subsidiaries enjoy a global reputation as specialists in the field of equipment and propulsion for space applications, while their expertise also benefits other industrial sectors. The group is a joint venture equally owned by Airbus and Safran, and employs approximately 9,000 highly qualified staff in France and Germany. Its 2018 revenues amounted to 3.6 billion euros.

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