A successful launch for the second Galileo satellite

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A further step towards the deployment of Europe’s Galileo global navigation satellite system was taken on Sunday, with the successful launch of ESA's second Galileo In-Orbit Validation Element (GIOVE-B) satellite, carrying the most accurate atomic clock ever flown into space.

Two years after the highly successful GIOVE-A mission, this latest satellite will continue the demonstration of critical technologies for the navigation payload of future operational Galileo satellites.

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