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# PERUN

## Partnering with Atlantic Spaceport Consortium

The contract for  
PERUN's international  
space mission is signed

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**SpaceForest initiates collaboration with the Atlantic Spaceport Consortium (ASC) – PERUN rocket to be launched from land as part of an international space mission**

*Gdynia, Poland – July 18, 2025*

SpaceForest, a Polish technology company based in Gdynia, has signed a contract with the Atlantic Spaceport Consortium (ASC) – a coalition developing a spaceport on Santa Maria Island in the Azores – for the execution of an international suborbital mission of the PERUN rocket. The launch from the land-based pad in the Azores is scheduled for the first half of 2026

**and will be carried out with the support of the European Space Agency (ESA) and the Portuguese Space Agency.**

The mission will serve as a comprehensive test of launch procedures and a validation of the PERUN platform's capabilities for conducting scientific and commercial missions beyond Poland's borders, fully in line with international standards. It will also provide an opportunity to verify the performance of the PERUN suborbital launch system under nominal mission parameters.

This upcoming launch represents another important step in the development of Polish rocket technology, opening new avenues for innovation and strengthening Poland's position among countries with affordable and independent access to space.

The launch from the Azores will also provide an opportunity to conduct scientific experiments in microgravity conditions—a key commercial objective of the mission. The rocket's payload bay will carry up to 50 kg of experimental equipment prepared by commercial partners, universities, and research institutions.

#### **Mission Overview:**

- **Launch window:** first half of 2026
- **Location:** Atlantic Spaceport Consortium – land-based launch pad (Santa Maria Island, Azores, Portugal)
- **Objectives:**
  - Verify the PERUN system's compliance with international launch procedures
  - Demonstrate rocket performance under nominal mission conditions
  - Conduct scientific experiments in microgravity and near-space environments
  - Showcase land-based launch and sea recovery of rocket and payload

#### **Join the Mission**

SpaceForest invites research institutions, academic teams, and technology companies to participate in this and upcoming missions. The PERUN rocket launch offers a unique opportunity to carry out scientific experiments and validate innovative technologies under real spaceflight conditions.

Contact us to explore payload integration opportunities: <https://www.perunrocket.com/>

## **Atlantic Spaceport Consortium – Europe's gateway to space**

The Atlantic Spaceport Consortium is a Portuguese alliance established in 2020 with the mission to develop an innovative, environmentally sustainable, and secure spaceport on Santa Maria Island in the Azores. ASC aims to build a flexible and accessible launch infrastructure for international operators conducting suborbital and orbital missions from European soil.

As part of the agreement, ASC will support SpaceForest in obtaining all necessary regulatory approvals and launch licenses, while also providing operational support on the island, including rocket and payload recovery from the ocean.

More on the spaceport: <https://spaceport.pt/>

## **SpaceForest – Polish technology supporting global space exploration**

SpaceForest is a privately owned company from Gdynia, Poland, developing advanced technologies—including space systems—since 2004. The company specializes in radar, microwave, and rocket systems, and designs high-end electronics already used in satellite missions. One of its flagship projects is the PERUN rocket—a fully in-house developed, reusable suborbital launch system designed for research, experimentation, and component testing in microgravity conditions. The project is carried out in cooperation with the European Space Agency (ESA) and the Polish Space Agency (POLSA).

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