



## Hera mission

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## Hera spacecraft



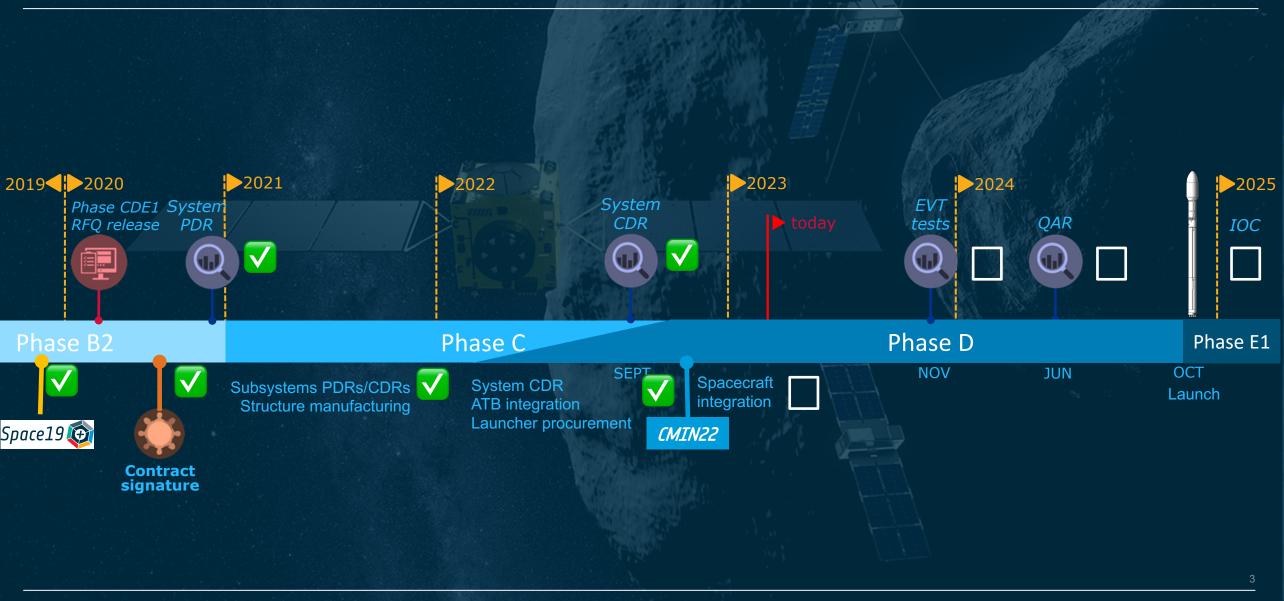
Countries: 18 EU + Japan Launch window open: 8 Oct 2024

- Laser altimeter
- Overall spacecraft integration, AFC core payload
- Science data analysis
- Data handling, software, gravimeter, CubeSat operations
- Remote terminal units, CubeSat elements
- Communication system,
- 🕂 CubeSat payload
  - CubeSat payload, CubeSat operations, navigation equipment
  - Instruments calibration
- Navigation equipment
- Power system, communication system, monitoring camera, Milani CubeSat lead
  - Juventas CubeSat lead
  - Hyperscout instrument
  - Juventas radar mechanisms, software
  - Altimeter, thermal system, navigation
  - Spacecraft structure, CubeSat payload
  - Altimeter, navigation system
- Spacecraft structure, solar arrays
- Thermal imager

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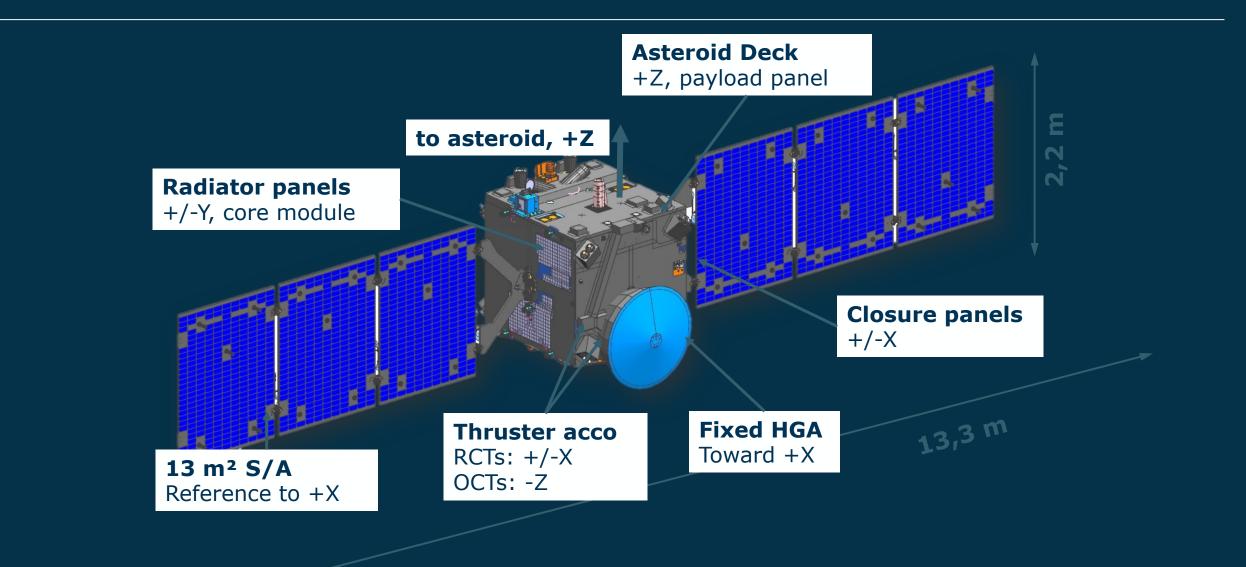
## **Mission overview**



Launch mass	1214 kg (2024 launch) 1229 kg (2026 launch)	Transfer attitude
Power	826 W max. in steady state	Earth pointing
Structure	Central tube primary structure Modular concept	4 Aphelion: 2.4 AU
Propulsion	<b>Bi-propellant</b> system 8N + 8R 10 N RCTs 3N + 3R 10 N OCTs	DSM 2 5 3 Mars Swingby
GNC	<b>3-axis stabilized gyro-stellar</b> ADCS <b>Autonomous guidance</b> using camera and laser	
COMMS	X-band, fixed HGA (1.1 m), 2 x LGA	Earth @ arrival 7
Data Handling	<b>1 x dual-core OBC</b> , 2 x RTU, 1 x MMU	
Ct. 2024 T0+5670 s OctNov. 2026 T0+5670 s CotNov. 2026 T0+5670 s T0+514 days T0+2 months Mar. 2025 Dec. 2026 Feb. 2027 Jul. 2027 Nov. 2030 Jan. 2031 JanMar. 2031 Sep. 2031 Launen Separation T0+2 days LC T0+2 days LC ATT/ATV Pre- LEOP Commissioning (E1) Interplanetary Transfer System Proximity Operations Asteroid System Proximity Decended Operations Commissioning (E1) Interplanetary Transfer System Operations Commissioning Commissioning (E1) Interplanetary Transfer System Operations Commissioning Commissioning (E1) Interplanetary Transfer System Operations Commissioning Com		

## **Spacecraft overview**





# **Payload overview**

**AFC – Asteroid Framing Camera** Redundant visible cameras used for both GNC and science purposes, FOV: 5.5°x5.5°

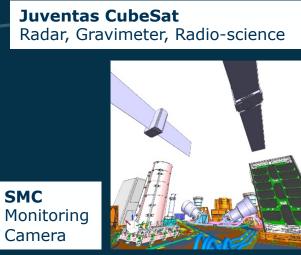


**HyperScout** Multispectral imager

> TIRI Thermal InfraRed (8-14 µm) with filter wheel

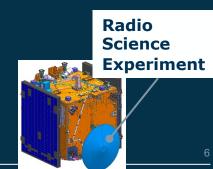
Milani CubeSat Multispectral imager Retroreflectors Dust analyzer Radio-science

> **PALT – Planetary Altimeter** Laser-range finder for science & GNC



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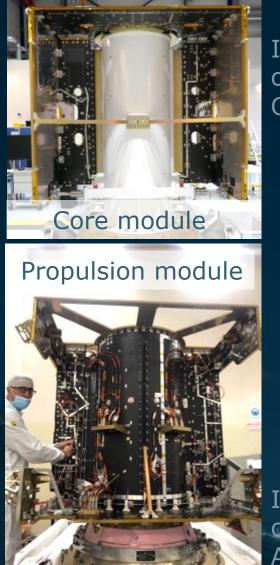
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# Hera integration flow





Integration ongoing at —— OHB

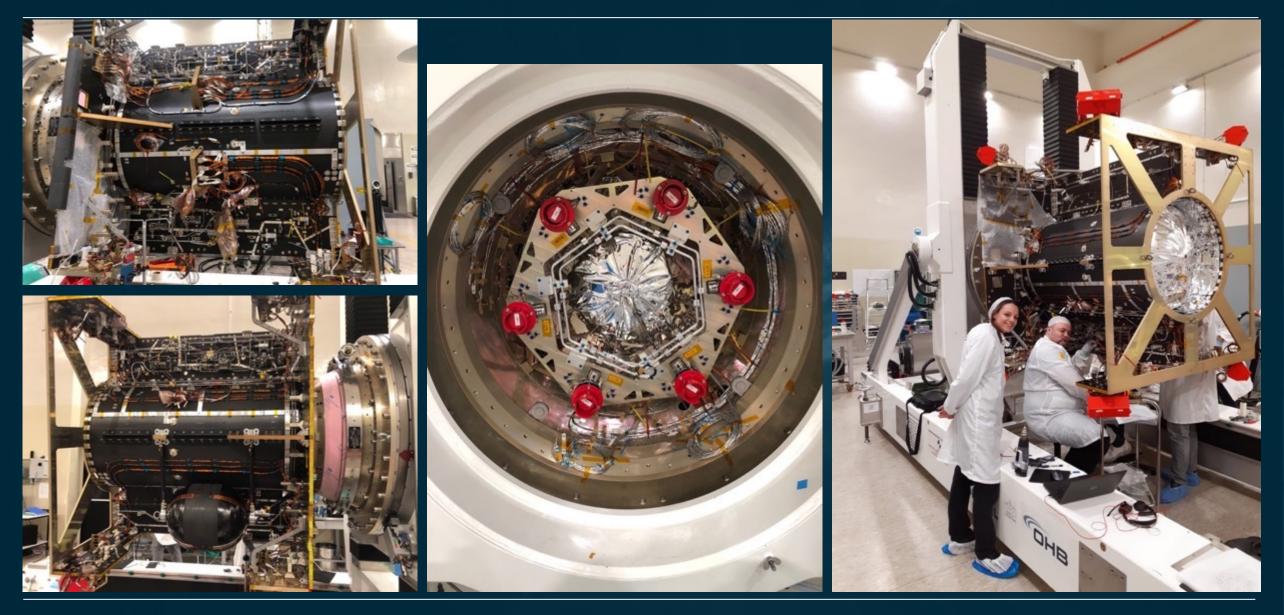
Integration ongoing at AVIO

Spacecraft ATB at OHB



# **Propulsion module (AVIO)**

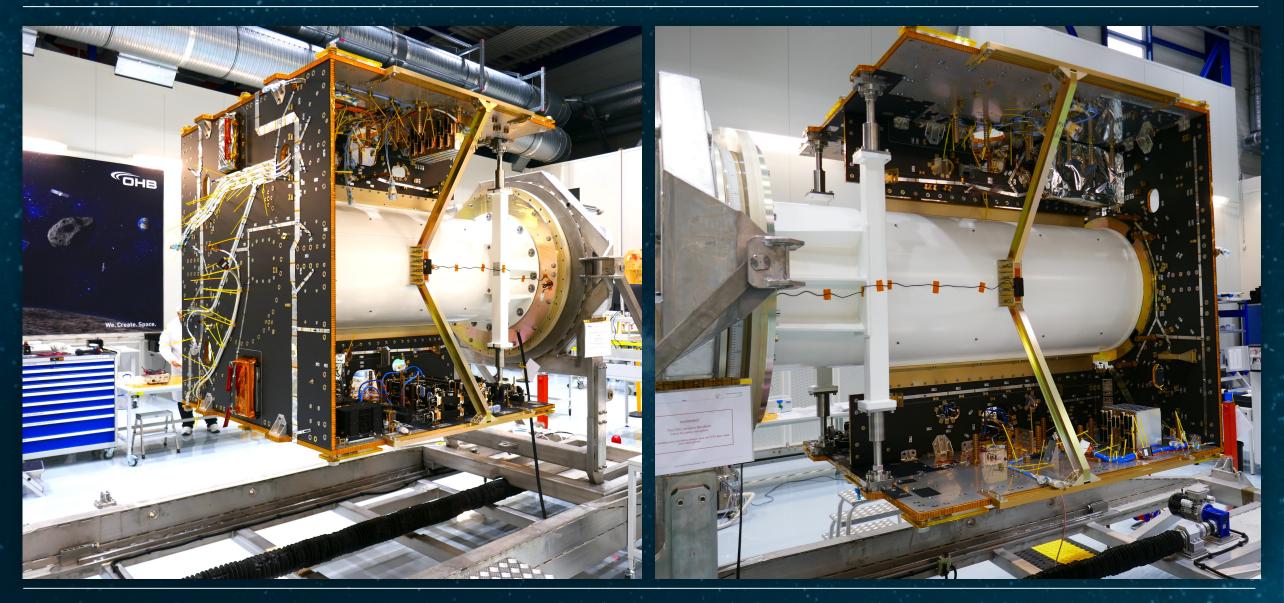




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# **Core module (OHB)**



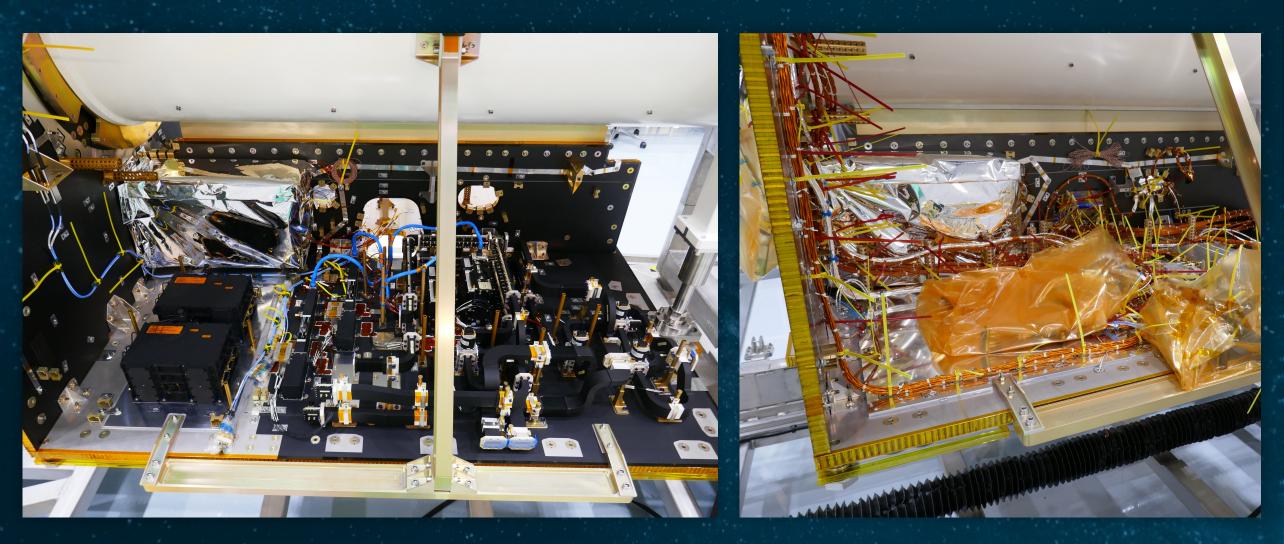


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# Core module (OHB)

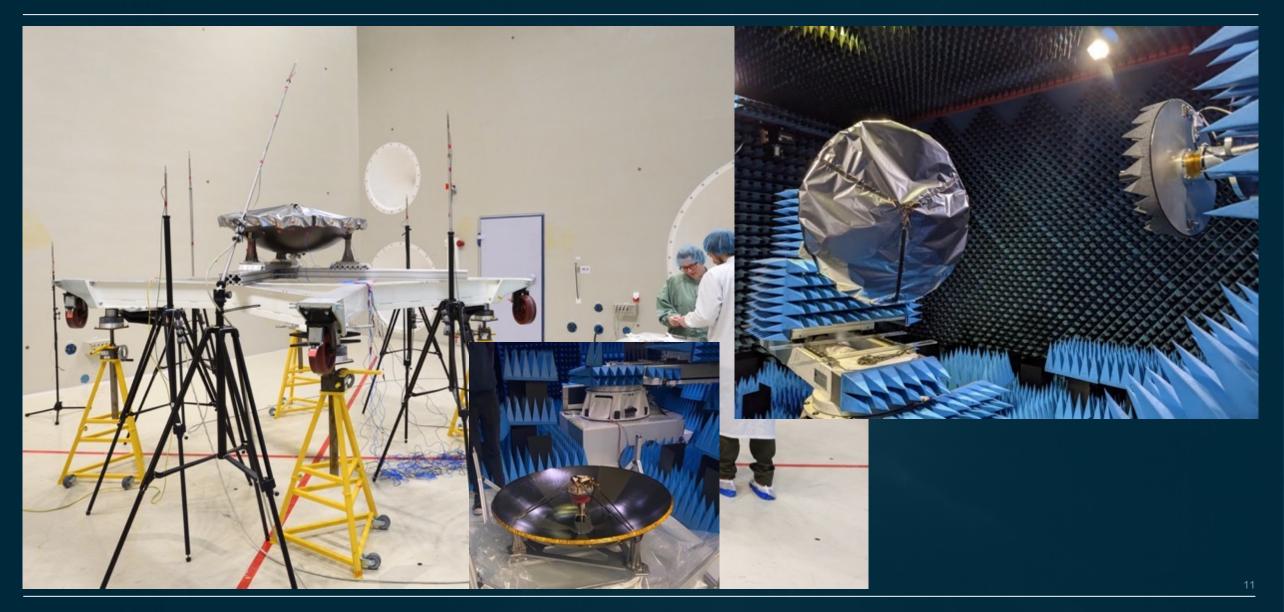




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# **Payload status**



### AFC

- Both flight units qualified and delivered to OHB for integration.
  Milani
- rEM fully tested with Hera spacecraft ATB, propulsion qualification completed
- Structural & thermal model and EM under assembly ongoing FM integration KO in June 2023

#### Juventas

- rEM tested with Hera, propulsion qualification ongoing
- Structural & thermal assembly ongoing
- FM integration KO in July 2023, payload FMs under integration

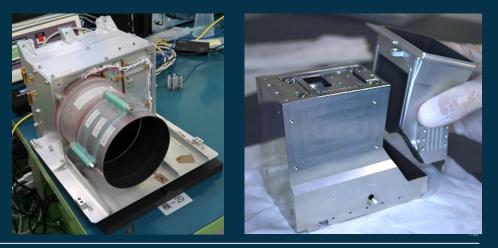
#### TIRI

- EQM EMC tests completed, vibration and TVAC to be performed
- FM integration started

### Hyperscout-H

- PFM integrated, qualification tests starting next week
- Engineering model completed, software debugging ongoing





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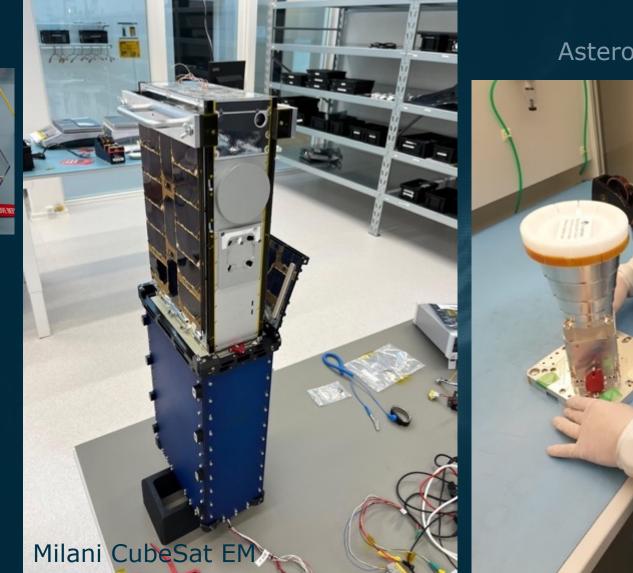
# Payload





### CubeSat deployer





### Asteroid Framing Camera



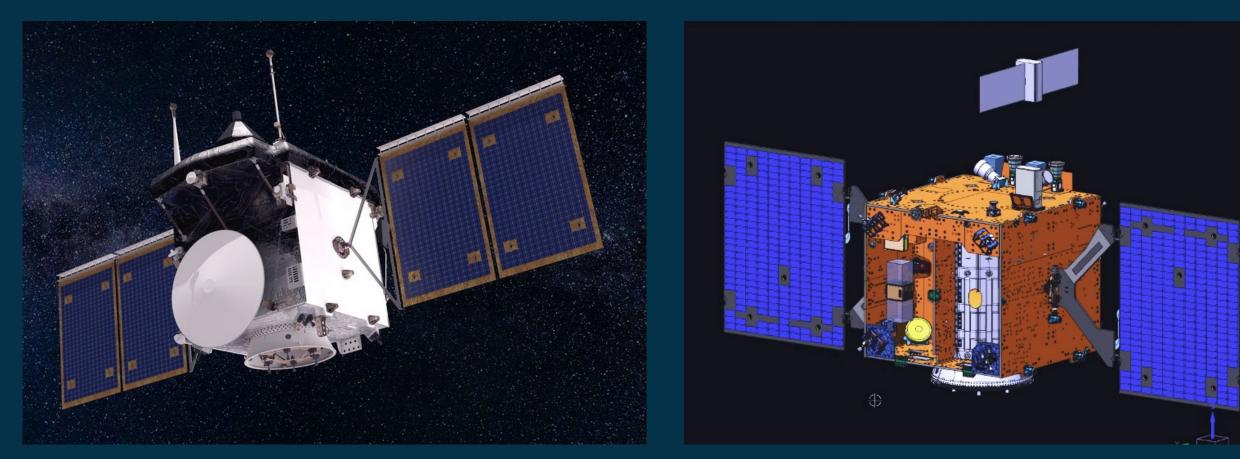


- All payloads delivered (including CubeSats)
- Propulsion module completed by AVIO and delivered to OHB
- Core module integrated at OHB
- Spacecraft PFM integration completion
- Ground Segment Implementation Readiness Review
- Mechanical and TVAC environmental test campaign at ESTEC
- CMOC PDR and KO implementation phase
- Launch contract signed with Space-X
- Payload operations plan by Hera Investigation Team

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## The future...





### **Comet Interceptor**

Implementation contract signed with OHB-Italy

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Phase A / B proposal under preparation by OHB System

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