

### PLATO News:

October 05, 2018

#### **ESA and OHB System AG formally signed the PLATO construction contract on October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at the International Astronautical Congress (IAC) in Bremen**

The contract covers the development and delivery of the satellite, including the testing phase leading to launch, support during the launch campaign, and the in-orbit commissioning phase.

OHB will collaborate with an existing industrial core team, including Thales Alenia Space (France and UK) and RUAG Space Switzerland. Thales Alenia Space, France, is responsible for the avionics as well as for the satellite positioning and orbit control, while Thales Alenia Space, UK, will integrate and test the satellite platform. RUAG Space will design and assemble the optical bench used by the 26 on-board cameras, which require very precise and ultra-stable relative alignments.



#### **ESA released the official PLATO Mission Logo**

Feel free to use it in all your PLATO related presentations, documents, emails.



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#### **Upcoming events:**

October-December:	Payload Preliminary Design Review (PL-PDR)
03.-05. December:	PLATO Theory Meeting, Cambridge, UK
05.-07. December:	PLATO Week 7, Cambridge, UK

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