

Piggyback payloads on the launch vehicles by JSC RSC Progress

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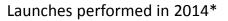
The PROGRESS Space-Rocket Centre Joint Stock Company (JSC SRC Progress) is a leading Russian enterprise and one of the world's space industry leaders, providing launches from 4 launching sites. Over 20 thousand highly skilled employees are occupied at the SRC Progress. The employees of the enterprise have created the Soyuz launch vehicle family, Earth remote sensing satellites and the Volga upper stage.

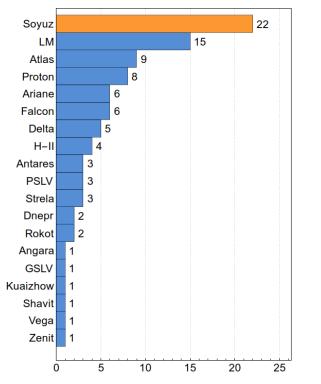




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- SRC Progress performs up to 20 launches a year.
- As of today more than 1,840 launches have been performed.
- Over 140 automated spacecraft have been launched under agreements with foreign customers since 1975.

* : Launches of Satellites in 2014. SRC "Progress" JSC, Scientific Department





Soyuz's success factors consist in the reliable design, proved manufacturing technique, high skill of employees, and efficient system of quality control at every step of manufacturing and operation. The potential of the Soyuz launch vehicle enabled the enterprise to develop its multiple modifications.

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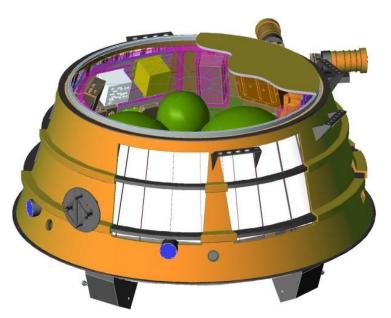


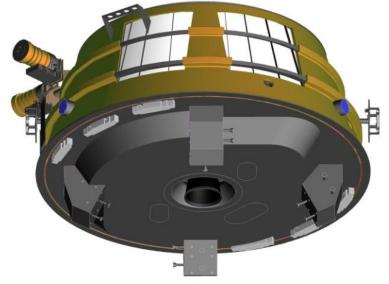
Volga Upper Stage

Launch vehicles: Soyuz-2-1a, -1b, and -1v

Capacity

LEO: up to 1,500 km SSO: up to 850 km

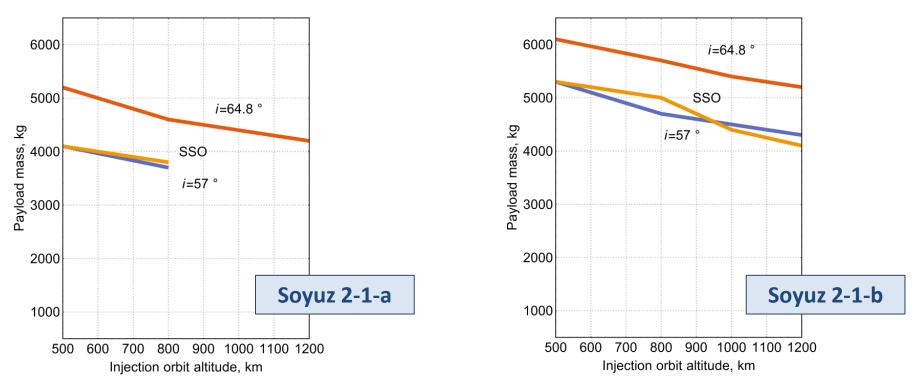






Soyuz-2 + Volga Upper Stage Performance

Vostochny cosmodrome



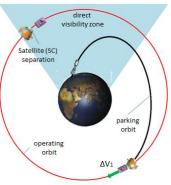
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Payload Standard Injection Scenario

Injection from a Closed Orbit

Single-burn injection pattern

Time before Main Engine ignition – at least 30 min Main Engine burn time $(\Delta V1)$ – up to 500s Time from the Upper Stage separation from LV to Payload separation – 60 to 120 min

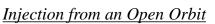


Double-burn injection pattern

Time before the first burn of the Main Engine – at least 30 min

The Main Engine first burn time $(\Delta V1) - up$ to 500 s Gap between the Main Engine first and second burns – 30 to 110 min

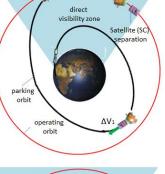
The Main Engine second burn time $(\Delta V2) - 50$ to 290 s Time from the Upper Stage separation from LV TO Payload separation – 60 to 120 min



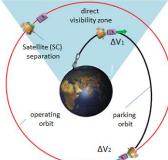
To avoid uncontrollable reentry of the LV upper stage, Payload is injected into an open orbit according to the scenario with the delta-V maneuver.

The Payload is transferred from the open orbit to the target orbit using the double-burn injection pattern. The ME first burn is done in 200s to shape a parking orbit with an apogee equal to the altitude of the target circular orbit, and perigee of at least 180km. Then, the target circular orbit is shaped with the second burn done in the apogee of the parking orbit.

Time from the Upper Stage separation from the LV to Payload separation makes from 60 to 120min.

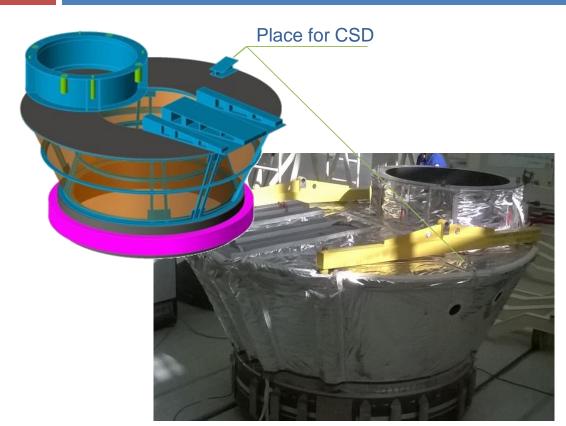


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Injection of Piggyback Payloads from the Volga Upper Stage Adapters



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The small satellites are arranged in the payload area under the fairing on the adapter. The following challenges are met:

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The First Launch from Vostochny





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