

EU Space Milestones: July 2026 Events & Astronomical Wonders

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1. Which significant European space event is scheduled to take place in Brussels from June 30th to July 2nd, 2026, focusing on Europe's space ambitions and the EU Space Act?

A) EU Space Days

B) The European Space Forum

C) ILA Berlin Airshow

D) Clean Space Days

2. In what city will the EU Space Days 2026 be held, showcasing the EU Space Programme's contributions?

A) Paris, France

B) Nicosia, Cyprus

C) Berlin, Germany

D) Rome, Italy

3. Which joint ESA and Chinese Academy of Sciences mission, designed to study the interaction between the solar wind and Earth's magnetosphere, is scheduled for a May 2026 launch?

A) Plato

B) Hera

C) SMILE

D) ExoMars

4. What is the name of the ESA mission, expected to arrive at the Didymos system by the end of 2026, to study the aftermath of NASA's DART mission?

A) BepiColombo

B) Hera

C) Cluster

D) EarthCARE

5. Which European space conference, running from June 30th to July 2nd, 2026, will co-locate with the European Space, Security and Defence Forum?

A) SAF Congress

B) EUROSATORY

C) The European Space Forum

D) ILA Berlin

6. In July 2026, the Moon will be near which two planets on consecutive days?

- A) Mars and Jupiter
- B) Saturn and Neptune**
- C) Venus and Mercury
- D) Uranus and Mars

7. The European Space Agency (ESA) and the European Commission are cooperating on the development of the In-Space Operations and Services for Infrastructure (ISOS) pilot mission. When is the signing of the joint declaration for this initiative taking place?

- A) June 10, 2026**
- B) July 1, 2026
- C) June 15, 2026
- D) July 5, 2026

8. Which celestial event, with its path of totality sweeping across the North Atlantic and Western Europe, is predicted for August 12, 2026?

- A) Perseid Meteor Shower
- B) Total Solar Eclipse**
- C) Lunar Eclipse
- D) Venus Transit

9. The EU's In-Space Operations and Services (ISOS) pilot mission aims to strengthen Europe's role in what sector of the space economy?

- A) Space Tourism
- B) Orbital Economy**
- C) Asteroid Mining
- D) Space Solar Power

10. Which ESA mission, focused on hunting for rocky planets in the habitable zones of other stars, is undergoing final preparation stages in May 2026?

- A) Gaia
- B) Euclid
- C) Plato**
- D) Cheops