

Press release

Space Mission: Research equipment with Gebrüder Weiss on its way to northern Sweden

Special transport for space mission in Kiruna underway

Berlin / Stockholm / Kiruna / Lauterach, November 8, 2022. Preparations are well underway for the Swedish Space Corporation's 15th space mission. On November 4, the Gebrüder Weiss container left Berlin for Sweden. During a short stopover in Stockholm, research equipment was loaded that will now be transported to Kiruna in northern Sweden, some 2,000 kilometers away. The base of the Swedish Space Corporation is located there. Gebrüder Weiss is supporting the 'SubOrbital Express' mission with its logistical expertise, having already demonstrated last year its transport capabilities in Israel during the simulation of a mission by astronauts to Mars.

About the mission:

The SubOrbital Express mission involves sending twelve scientific experiments with a rocket into space to study their behavior in a weightless environment. The tests on board have been provided by international research teams covering the fields of biomedicine, physics, astronomy and biology. The purpose of this mission is to gain insights relevant for research work and the work of astronauts in space.



Caption: The container for the space mission is en route to Kiruna in the north of Sweden. The logistics provider has, together with the research partner Fortis, given the container a look befitting of the mission. Here: The container leaving Berlin. (Source: Gebrüder Weiss / Florian Lorenz)



Caption: Rudolf Kiesel, truck driver at Gebrüder Weiss Nuremberg, doing a final check before departing from Berlin. (Source: Gebrüder Weiss / Florian Lorenz)

About Gebrüder Weiss

Gebrüder Weiss Holding AG, based in Lauterach, Austria, is a globally operative full-service logistics provider with about 8,000 employees at 180 company-owned locations. In the last fiscal year (2021), it posted annual sales of 2.5 billion euros. Its portfolio encompasses transport and logistics solutions, digital services, and supply chain management. The twin strengths of digital and physical competence enable Gebrüder Weiss to respond swiftly and flexibly to customers' needs. The family-run organization – with a history going back more than half a millennium – has implemented a wide variety of environmental, economic, and social initiatives. Today, it is also considered a pioneer in sustainable business practices.

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