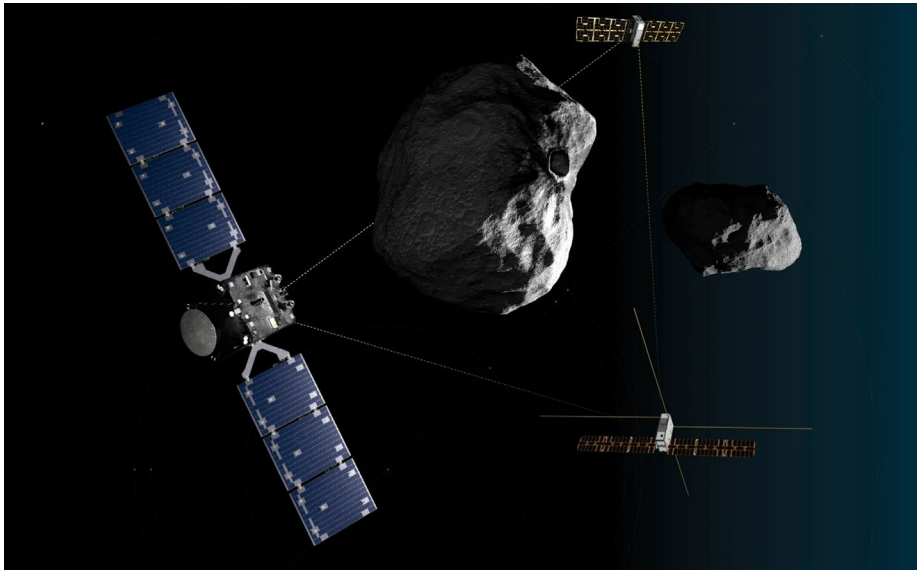


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### *SpaceX Hera Launch*

**Space agency/country:** SpaceX  
**Mission:** *Falcon 9 Block 5*

On 7 October 2024, the American space agency SpaceX launched its *Hera* spacecraft from Space Launch Complex 40 (Cape Canaveral) in Florida, USA. This launch is part of the *Falcon 9 Block 5* series. The *Hera* spacecraft was developed by the European Space Agency, and it is part of its Space Safety Program, which studies near-Earth asteroids on a colliding trajectory with Earth.

**For more information:**

[ESA continues Hera launch preparations amid Falcon 9 grounding - SpaceNews](#)  
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