

Intelsat Announces Successful Launch of Intelsat 36

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Expands MultiChoice's Leading Direct-to-Home Services in Sub-Saharan Africa

LUXEMBOURG--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Aug. 24, 2016-- Intelsat S.A. (NYSE: I), operator of the world's first Globalized Network, powered by its leading satellite backbone, today announced the successful launch of the Intelsat 36 satellite. Intelsat 36 was launched from French Guiana aboard an Ariane 5 launch vehicle. Liftoff occurred at 6:16 p.m. EDT. The satellite separated from the rocket's lower stage at 6:57 p.m. EDT, and the Intelsat launch team has confirmed signal acquisition.

Built for Intelsat by Space Systems/Loral (SSL), Intelsat 36 is designed to enhance Intelsat's media neighborhoods serving. Africa and the Indian Ocean regions. The Ku-band payload was built to support MultiChoice, the leading direct-to-home platform in South Africa. The C-band payload provides in-orbit resilience for Intelsat's leading video content distribution neighborhood at 68.5° E. Intelsat 36 will be collocated with Intelsat 20.

"Intelsat 36 is a testament to our dedication to working closely with our customers in Africa to support critical growing infrastructure needs in the region," said Stephen Spengler, Chief Executive Officer, Intelsat. "Having consistent and affordable access to informative and entertaining content is vital to a community and its citizens. Intelsat 36 will enable MultiChoice to extend high definition channels throughout the region via one of Africa's premier video neighborhoods. We are proud to once again partner with MultiChoice as they continue to deliver high quality and compelling educational and entertainment services to their customers throughout sub-Saharan Africa."

Intelsat 36 is the 58th Intelsat satellite launched by Arianespace.

Supporting Resources:

- Intelsat Regional Vice President for Africa, Brian Jakins and MultiChoice CEO South Africa, Mark Rayner, Discuss Intelsat 36 and its Impact on the African Media Landscape: https://youtu.be/VHfStMJO-mY
- Images for Intelsat 36: http://www.intelsat.com/global-network/satellites/fleet/intelsat-36/
- Steve Spengler on the Launch of Intelsat 33e and Intelsat 36: https://youtu.be/sipJgGZgMEs
- Intelsat's Media Services: http://www.intelsat.com/solutions/media/
- Intelsat's Video Neighborhoods: http://www.intelsat.com/solutions/media/distribution-solutions/video-neighborhoods/

About Intelsat

Intelsat S.A. (NYSE: I) operates the world's first Globalized Network, delivering high-quality, cost-effective video and broadband services anywhere in the world. Intelsat's Globalized Network combines the world's largest satellite backbone with terrestrial infrastructure and managed services to enable customers to drive revenue and reach through a new generation of network services. Thousands of organizations serving billions of people worldwide rely on the Intelsat Globalized Network to provide ubiquitous broadband connectivity, multi-format video broadcasting, secure satellite communications and seamless mobility services. The end result is an entirely new world, one that allows us to envision the impossible, connect without boundaries, and transform the ways in which we live. For more information, visit www.intelsat.com.

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