



Spektr-RG

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Russia has launched a **space telescope**, named Spektr-RG, in a joint project with Germany.

- It is intended to **replace Spektr-R**, known as the Russian **Hubble**. The Russian Space Agency, Roscosmos, lost control of the Spektr-R in January 2019.
- Spektr-R was launched in the year 2011 to observe **black holes**, neutron stars and magnetic fields, aiding understanding of cosmic expansion.
- Spektr-RG will take up similar duties but will also work on mapping X-Rays across the sky.