

- Status of Envisat / MERIS
- GMES Sentinel-3
- CoastColour

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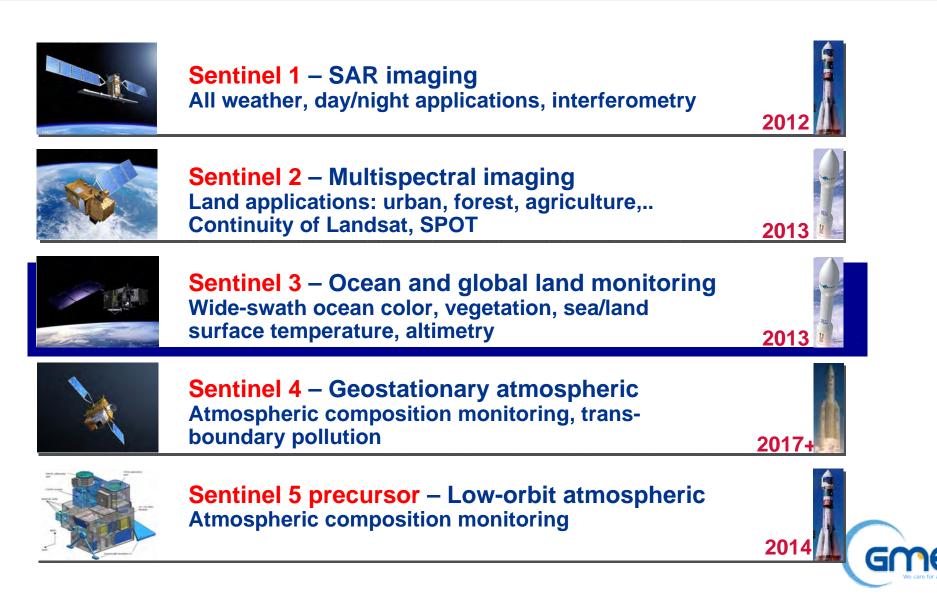
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Ocean and global land mission

Credit: Sentinel & GS development teams

GMES dedicated missions: Sentinels





Sentinel–3 overview

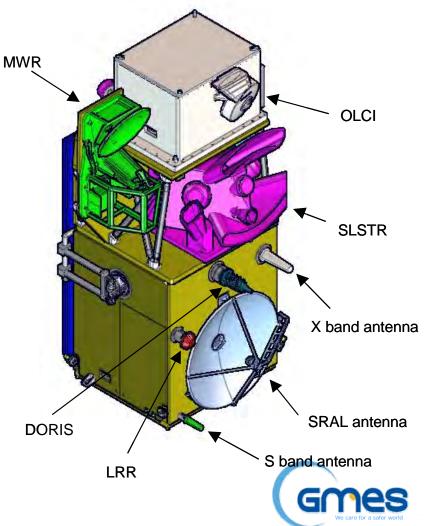


Sentinel-3 will provide an operational service for the collection of EO data for global sea and land applications over 15 to 20 years

- OLCI Ocean and Land Color Instrument at least at the level of quality of the MERIS
- SLSTR Sea & Land Surface Temperature Rad. at least at the level of quality of the AATSR
- Sea surface topography payload Ku-/C-band Synthetic Aperture Radar Altimeter at least at the level of quality of the Envisat RA

Operational mission

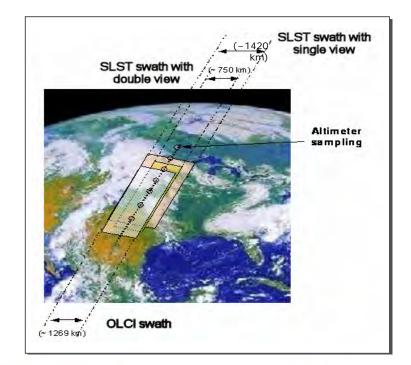
- High inclination (98.65°), Sun-synchronous LEO
- Average altitude: 814.5 km over geoid
- Repeat cycle: 27 days (14+7/27 orbits/day)
- Equatorial crossing time: 10:00 am
- Full performance achieved with 2 satellites in orbit
- 7 years design life time, consumables for 12 years

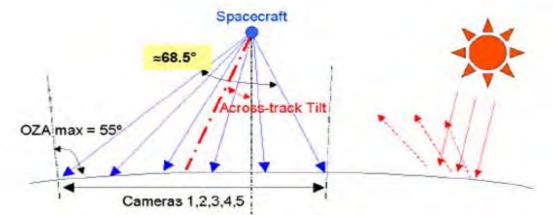


OLCI Overview



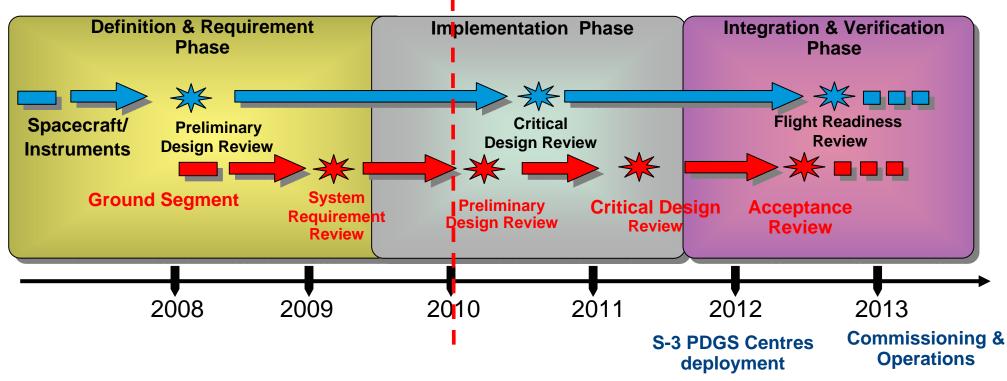
- Pushbroom imaging spectrometer similar to MERIS
- 5 fan-shaped cameras arranged cross-track, tilted by ~12° (west)
- 21 spectral bands
 15 MERIS plus 400, 673.75, 764.375, 767.5, 940, 1020nm
- Radiometric accuracy: absolute: < 2%, rel: 0.1%
- FOV 68.6°, broader swath ~1300km
- Spatial resolution 300m at SSP
- 2 spectralon & 1 sun doped diffuser
- 2-day global coverage (2 satellites)
- Overlap with SLSTR
- Improved L2 products





Sentinel-3 Project Logic





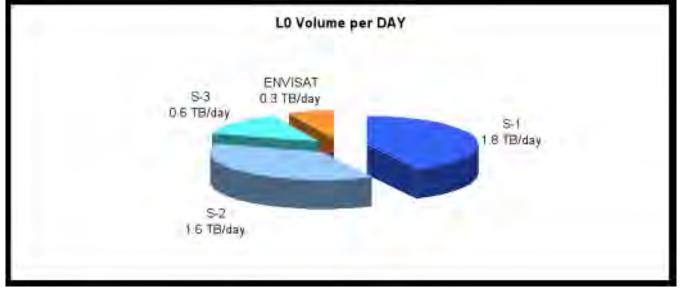
Satellite/Instrument issues:

- risk of system mass over-shoot; study mass reduction options; ensure compatibility with VEGA, Rockot launcher
- consolidation of the system energy balance and the instruments power consumption/thermal control
- start of the manufactoring of the first set of spacecraft and instrument hardware.



Sentinels Payload Data Ground Segments: Drivers

- esa
- Sentinel Data Policy: free and open access to Sentinel data to all users
- High data rates & on-ground volumes to be managed efficiently



- Initial development is organised to support the B-series as a natural upgrade
- Sentinel Missions are considered operational:

→Ground Segment to be developed as an integral component of the GMES multi-mission Payload Data Ground Segment (PDGS)

→Emphasis on high reliability for both near-real-time data provision and access to off-line and historical multi-mission data



Sentinel Data Policy



ESA & EC in charge of the definition of the principles and the implementation scheme

Free and open access to all Sentinel data to all users

Objective

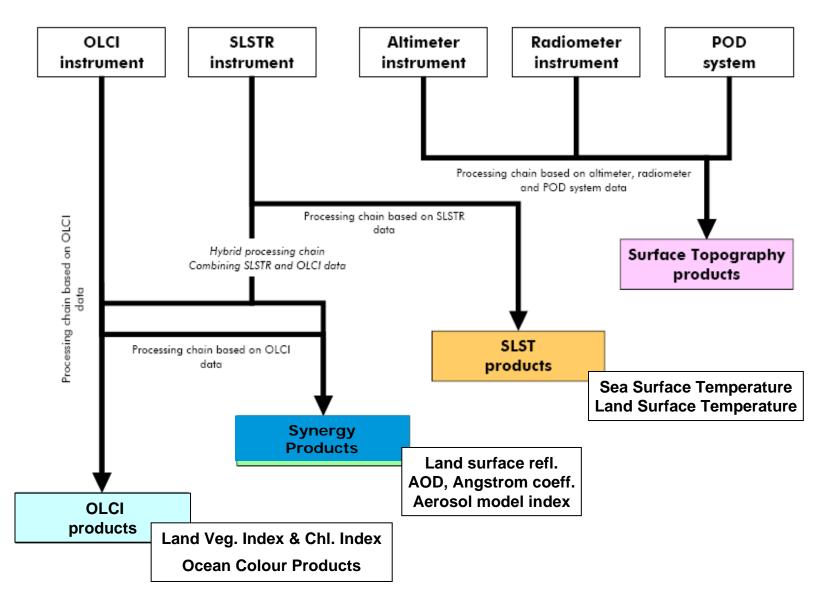
- Maximising the beneficial use of EO data & corresponding information services in support of climate change initiatives and for the implementation of environmental policies
- Continue interntl. trend for free & open data access in line with GEO data sharing principles

In practice

- Anybody can access Sentinel data; no difference between public, commercial, scientific use and in between European and non-European users
- Applicable to all Sentinels (1-5) and related Ground Segments
- Licenses are free of charge
- Online access with simple user registration

Joint ESA/EC principles for the Sentinel Data Policy approved by ESA member states (Sep 2009) To be approved by EC as part of Regulation of the Europ. Parliament & the Council (end 2010)

Sentinel-3 Data processing Chains







L2 Products: OLCI



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List of L2 Products: Marine & Inland Waters

OLCI Water- leaving reflectance (16 bands) OLCI Water Inherent Optical Properties

- Total backscattering coefficient
- Total absorption coefficient
- Phytoplankton absorption coefficient
- CDM absorption coefficient
- Humic material absorption coefficient

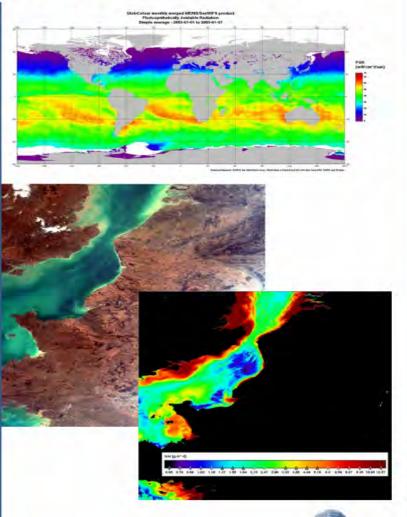
OLCI Ocean Colour products

- Algal pigment concentration
- Total Suspended Matter concentration
- Diffuse Attenuation coefficient
- Heated layer depth
- Water transparency (Secchi depth)

OLCI Atmosphere by-products

- Photosynthetically Active Radiation
- Aerosol optical depth
- Aerosol Angstrom exponent
- Integrated Water vapour column

+ per pixel error characterisation





S-3 PDGS Development milestones



Level0/Level1

- Oct 2009 CDR S-3 Ground Processor Prototype (GPP) for L0, L1 CDR System Performance Simulator (SPS) Successfully passed → new Specs and ATBDs
- Apr 2010 GPP/SPS Key Inspection
- Sep 2010 OSAR → End of implementation phase

Level 2

- Oct 2009 Phase 1 completed with successful Preliminary Design Review
 ATBDs, Product Trees, DPMs, IODDs
- Nov 2009 Phase 2 kicked off
 - → Detailed specifications Prototype implementation Validation
- Apr 2010 Critical Design Review
- ESA to produce Sentinel (1-5) Data Product Handbooks (focus on operational users in UN and national organisations)

