



Update on ISRO's International Cooperation



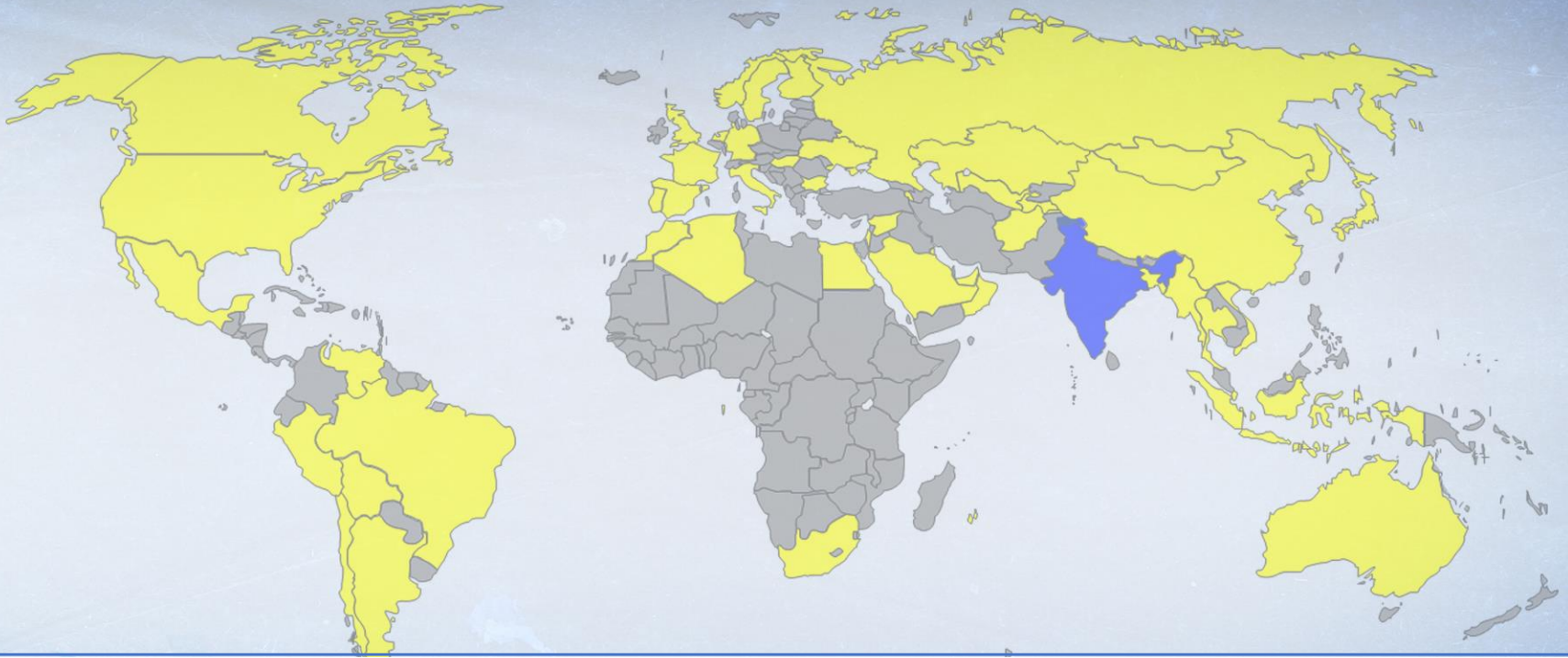
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ISRO's International cooperation – the spread

Areas: RS, Satcom, SatNav, TTC, exploration, space law & capacity building

About 226 Agreements with 54 countries & 5 MN bodies



Countries: Afghanistan, Algeria, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Bolivia, Brazil, Brunei, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, China, Egypt, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Indonesia, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Myanmar, Norway, Oman, Peru, Portugal, Russia, Sao Tome & Principe, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Syria, Tajikistan, Thailand, The Netherlands, UAE, Ukraine, UK, USA, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam, Venezuela & Tunisia.

Multi-national bodies: EC, ESA, ECMWF, SAARC & EUMETSAT

International Cooperation (IC) Strategy



IC for enhancing capacity of Indian space programme

- Advancing Programmatic priorities.
- Augmenting Database
- Widening ISRO's ground station networks
- Bettering the products and services
- Creating platforms for inflow of international expertise in newer areas
- Crafting commercial opportunities

IC for aligning with global perspectives

- Participating in formulation of global/
regional space policies

IC for contributing to other nations

- Strategic 'Space' in bilateral relations

ISRO's Growing International Relations

Now partnering with space-faring nations

2000
&
beyond

PSLV full flight with **AGILE/ Italy** (2007); **6 Foreign instruments in Chandrayaan-1** (2008); **Satellite building with Foreign partner – W2M** (2008); **Joint mission with French Space Agency** (2011 Megha Tropiques; 2013 SARAL); Feb-2017: **104 satellites in a single mission**

1990s

Launch of **German and Korean** satellites by PSLV (1999)

1980s

Launch of **APPLE** by **France** (1981); **INSAT-1A** by **USA** (1982)
First Indian in Space with **USSR** (1984); Launch of **IRS-1A** by **USSR** (1988)

1970s

Remote Sensing Experiment with **USSR – USA** (1972-76)
Launch of **ARYABHATA** by **USSR** (1975); **SITE -Television Expt. with USA** (1975-76) **STEP - SATCOM Expt. with France – Germany** (1977-79)

1960s

TERLS with **USSR-USA-France** (1962)

ISRO's International cooperation – Highlights (1/2)

Achieved

Planned/Ongoing

Joint Missions

- France (Megha-Tropics, SARAL)
- Russia (YOUTHSAT)

- USA (NISAR)
- France (TRISHNA)
- Japan (EO/ Lunar mission)

Payload Accommodation

- USA, UK, Germany, Sweden, Bulgaria (Chandrayaan-1)
- Italy (OCEANSAT-2)
- Canada (ASTROSAT)

- France (Argos in OCEANSAT-3)
- USA (LRA, HySI, DFS)

Ground stations for ISRO

- Brunei (TTC)
- Indonesia (TTC)
- Mauritius (TTC & IRIMS)

- Chile, Panama (TTC)
- Brunei, Indonesia, Australia, Russia, France, Japan (IRIMS)

ISRO's International cooperation – Highlights (2/2)

Achieved/ On-going

Planned

Sharing of EO data

- Europe/EUMETSAT (Met. & Oceanographic data)
- Brazil & USA (Resourcesat-2)

- EC (Resourcesat-2)
- NASA/NOAA (ScatSAT-1)
- Australia BOM

EO Experiment (Cal/Val)

- USA & Europe (Oceansat-2; OCM & OSCAT)
- Australia & Canada (RISAT-1)

- USA (ScatSAT-1)

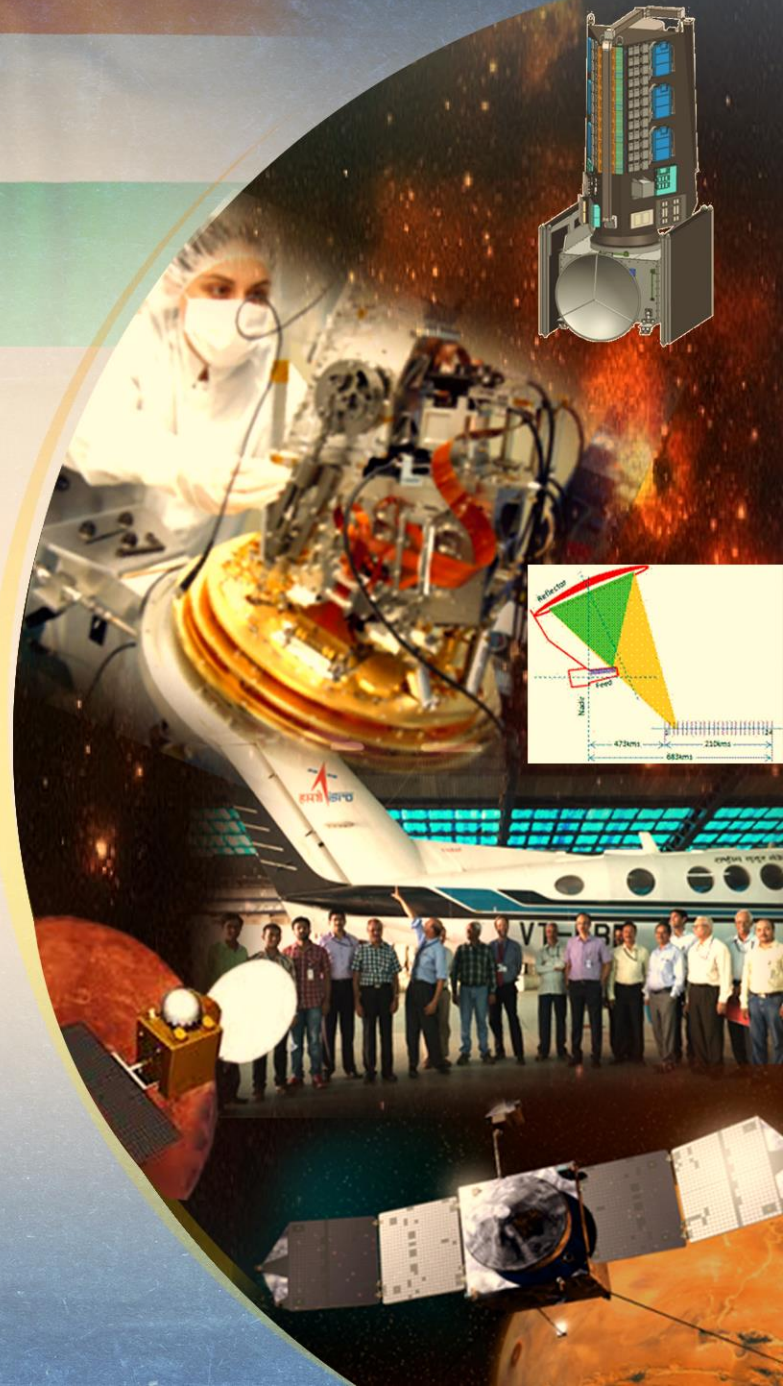
Professional Exchange & JWG

- USA (Airborne Campaign: AVRIS, SAR) France (Ka-band propagation)
- PESEP; Caltech;
- INPSWG; INHWG; INHSWG;
- ICPEWG; ICLVEWG; ICHSPWG; IRHSJWG

India – USA Space relations

On-going activities

- **NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar (NISAR)**
- **NASA's LRA** in Chandrayaan-2
- **Air-borne campaign with hyperspectral imager**
- **ISRO – NASA Working Groups on 'Planetary Sciences', 'Heliophysics' & 'HSP'**
- **DSN support for MOM & Chandrayaan-2**
- **Prof. Satish Dhawan Endowed Fellowships**
- **Professionals Exchange Programme**
- **LANDSAT 7/8 – RESOURCESAT-2 data exchange**
- **Launch of US satellites by Indian launch vehicle**
- **Discussions are on:**
 - **IDSN Cross support**
 - **Instrument development & accommodation in ISRO satellites (Hyperspectral, DFS, Trig-NG)**



Regional Cooperation - Satellite for South Asia

South Asia Satellite Launched on May 5, 2017



Bangladesh

Bhutan

Maldives

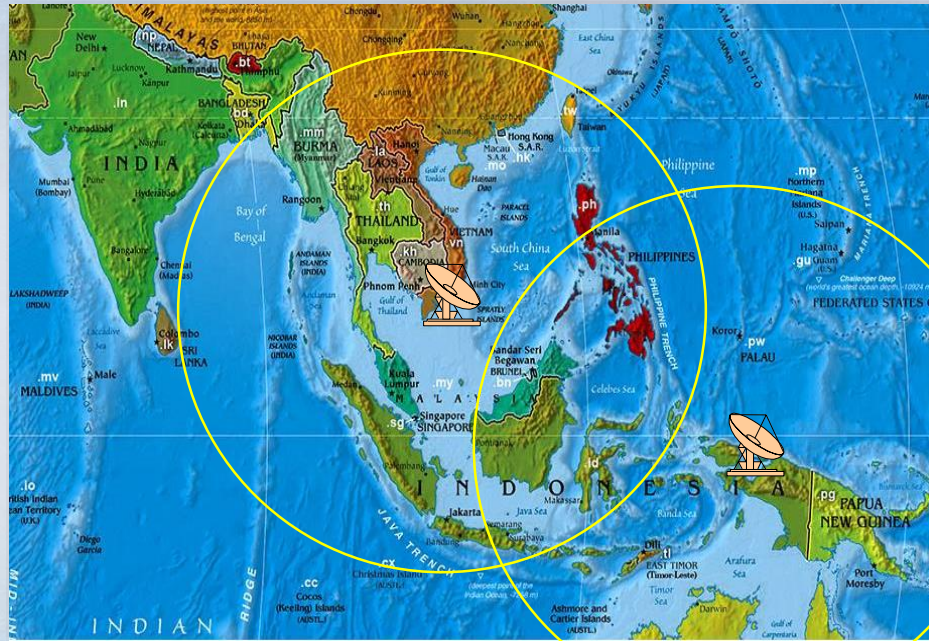
Sri Lanka

Nepal

- ❑ **Announcement at 18th SAARC Summit in Kathmandu in Nov 2014.**
- ❑ **Conference on “Satellite for the SAARC region and Space Technology Applications” June 22, 2015 - New Delhi – full SAARC participation.**
- ❑ **Afghanistan, Bhutan, Bangladesh, Maldives, Nepal and Sri Lanka signed agreement for orbit frequency coordination.**
- ❑ **Carries 12 Ku-band transponders for dedicated services and common services.**
- ❑ **Applications possibilities:** Television/ DTH service (12 to 15 channels), VSAT Services, eGovernance, Banking, Cellular backhaul, DMS, TM/ TE network



Regional Cooperation - India-ASEAN space cooperation



- To provide IRS data and Training to ASEAN
- New station in HCM & augmentation in Biak
- Heads of Agencies Meet in June 2012 at Bangalore
- RF Noise Survey in Oct 2015
- Framework Agreement with Vietnam in Sep 2016
- Training on 'Small Satellites Engineering' in Nov -Dec 2016
- ISRO-NRSD/MONRE meeting in Jan 2017
- ISRO-NRSD IA in Jan 2018



BRICS RS Satellite Constellation

STEP1: Virtual constellation with existing RS satellites

STEP 2: Actual constellation

Agency-level cooperation agreement is under finalization.

Planned contributions:

- AEB and CNSA : **CBERS-04**
- AEB : Cuiaba Station
- Roscosmos: **Kanopus-V1.**
- ISRO: **Resourcesat-2; Shadnagar station**
- CNSA : **GF-1 and ZY-3/02; Sanya Station**
- SANSa: Hartebeesthook Station



CBERS 04						Kanopus-V1		Resourcesat-2			GF-1			ZY-3/02	
5	10	20	40	80	73	2.5	12	5.8	23.5	56	2	8	16	27	6
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Multi-lateral relations

- **UNCOPUOS** – Office bearers; **LTSSA**; **UNISPACE+50**
- **International Charter Space and Major Disasters**
- **APRSF's Sentinel Asia** – Data provider and Analyser node; APRSAF 14 & 24 (2017)
- **IAF** – Committee members; 58th IAC in 2007
- **IAA** – Commission members; Subsidiary office; HSP Symposium Jan-2020
- **COSPAR**–Scientific Assembly in 2012 at Mysore
- **CEOS** – Plenary in October 2012 at Bangalore; contributes for various virtual constellations
- **CGMS** – Member since 2015; Plenary in 2018
- **ISEF, IADC, GEO, ISECG, ICG, EC...**

Weather observation network in Bhutan, Nepal & Bangladesh as part of the “Severe Thunderstorms: Observations and Regional Modeling (STORM)” of SAARC

Search and rescue support (>20 years) to Bangladesh, Bhutan, Maldives, Nepal, Seychelles, Sri Lanka and Tanzania under **COSPAS-SARSAT programme**



Capacity building

Indian Institute of Remote Sensing (IIRS) at Dehradun

- Offers 8-weeks course on RS & GIS under MEA's Indian Technical Economic Cooperation (ITEC)

UN affiliated Centre for Space Science and Technology Education in Asia and the Pacific (CSSTEAP), Dehra Dun (Nov 1, 1995)

- Short-term and 9-months PG Diploma Courses
- 5 Themes: RS & GIS; SATCOM, SATMET, Space Science & GNSS
- Uses facility & expertise of IIRS, SAC, PRL

More than **2800** officials from **109** Countries are offered training by IIRS & CSSTEAP



UNNATI Programme Batch 1 at URSC - INDIA



Online applications for 2nd Batch:
June 01-July15, 2019
Registrations opened

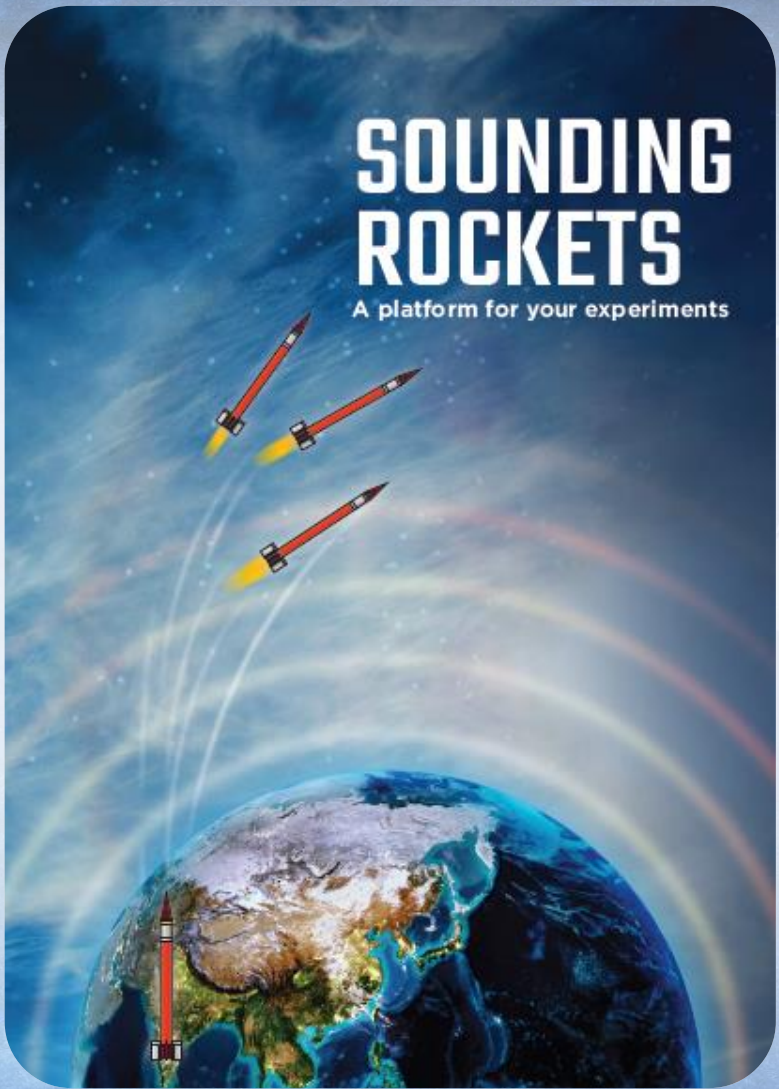
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30 Participants from 17 Countries:

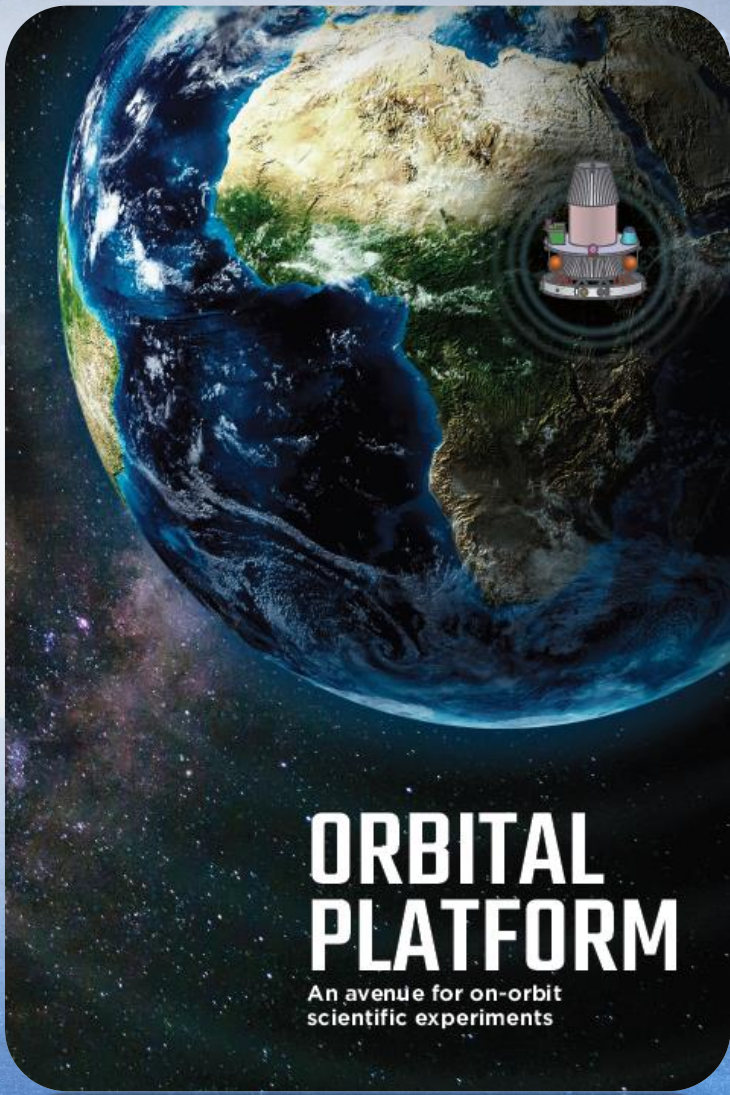
Algeria, Argentina, Azerbaijan, Bhutan, Brazil, Chile, Egypt, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Myanmar, Oman, Panama, Portugal



Experimental Opportunities

An illustration showing three sounding rockets being launched from the Earth's surface. The rockets are orange and black, with yellow flames at their bases. They are ascending into the sky, leaving white smoke trails. In the background, a rainbow is visible against a blue sky. The Earth is shown at the bottom of the frame, with a small rocket on the ground.

**SOUNDING
ROCKETS**
A platform for your experiments

An illustration of an orbital platform in space. The platform is a cylindrical structure with various instruments and antennas. It is positioned in orbit around the Earth, which is shown in the background. The Earth is partially obscured by the platform, and the space is filled with stars and the Milky Way galaxy.

**ORBITAL
PLATFORM**
An avenue for on-orbit
scientific experiments

Commercial relations

Building Satellites

Two satellite contracts from Europe in alliance with EADS Astrium

Launch Services

PSLV Launches;
297 satellites of 33 countries



W2M, 2008



HYLAS, 2010

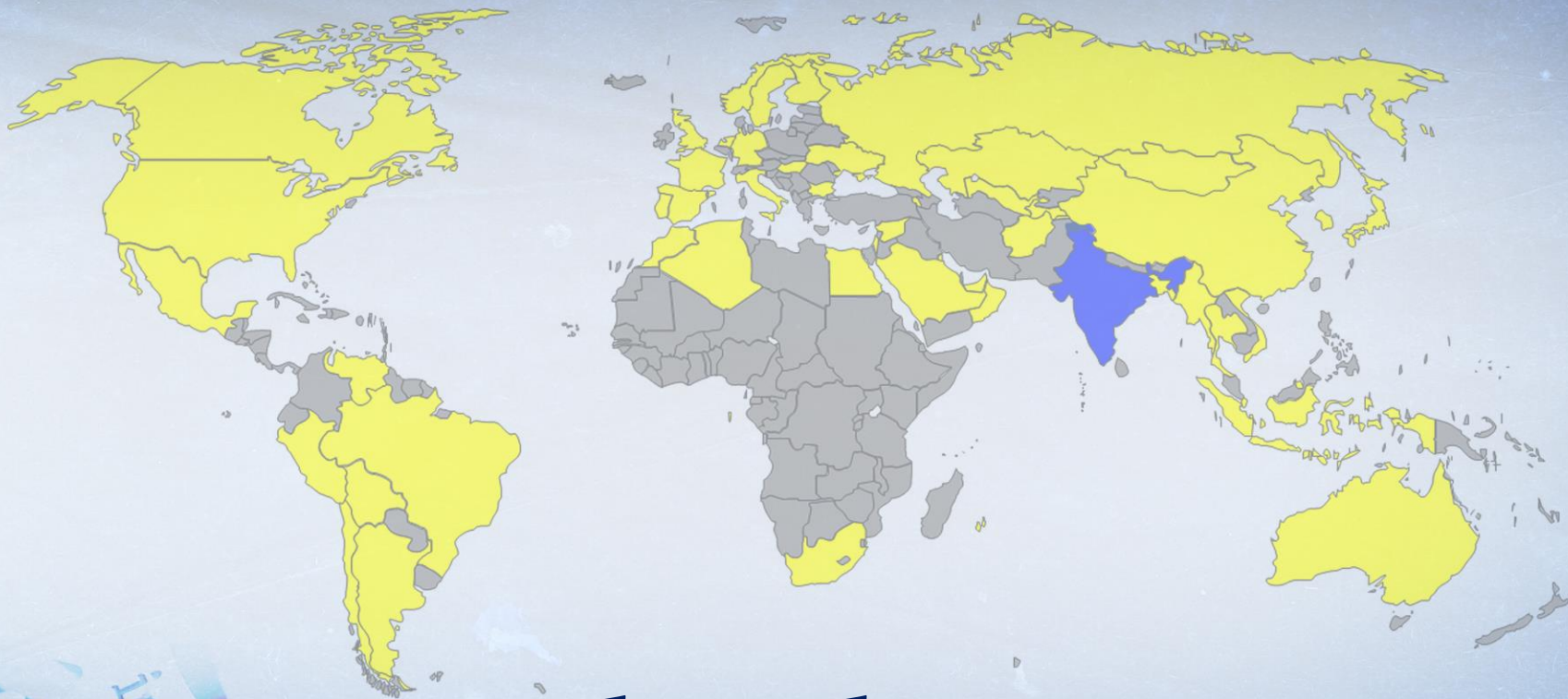


Global reach of IRS

IRS data marketed through Foreign Stations & Resellers

Countries	No. of Satellites
USA	190
Canada & UK	12 each
Germany	11
Singapore	8
South Korea	6
Algeria, Belgium, France, Italy, Japan, Switzerland	4 each
Austria, Indonesia, Finland, Lithuania & Netherlands	3 each
Denmark, Israel & Spain	2 each
Argentina, Australia, Chile, Colombia, Czech R, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Norway, Slovakia, Turkey & UAE	1 each





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