A satellite view of the Earth, showing the Japanese archipelago and surrounding oceans. The text is overlaid on the image.

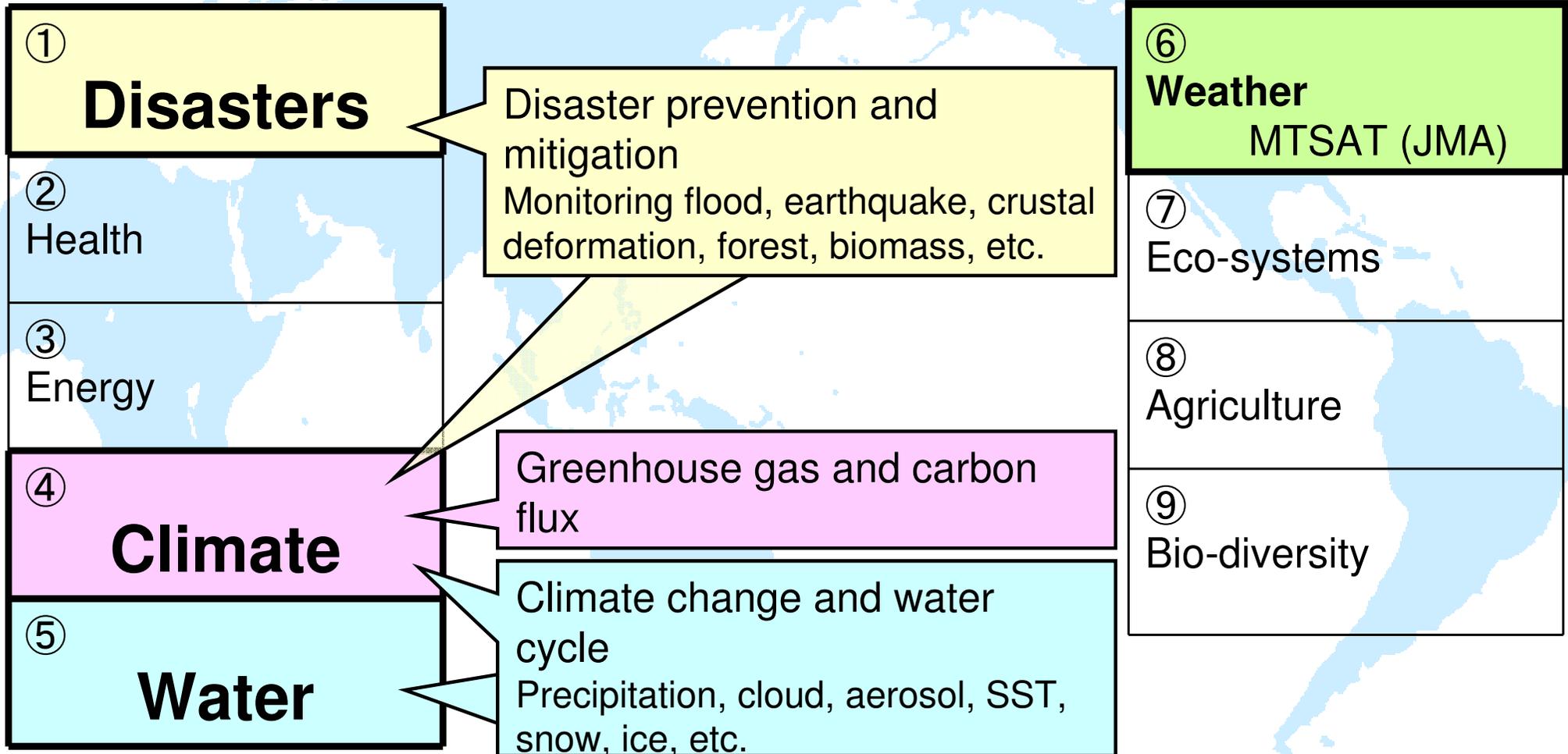
JAXA's Contributions to the Climate Change Monitoring

June 7, 2011

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Japanese Main Activities of Earth Observation

GEOSS 10 years implementation plan

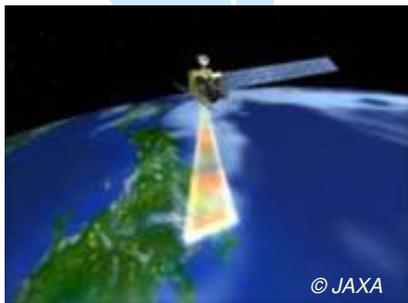


Advanced Land Observing Satellite (ALOS)



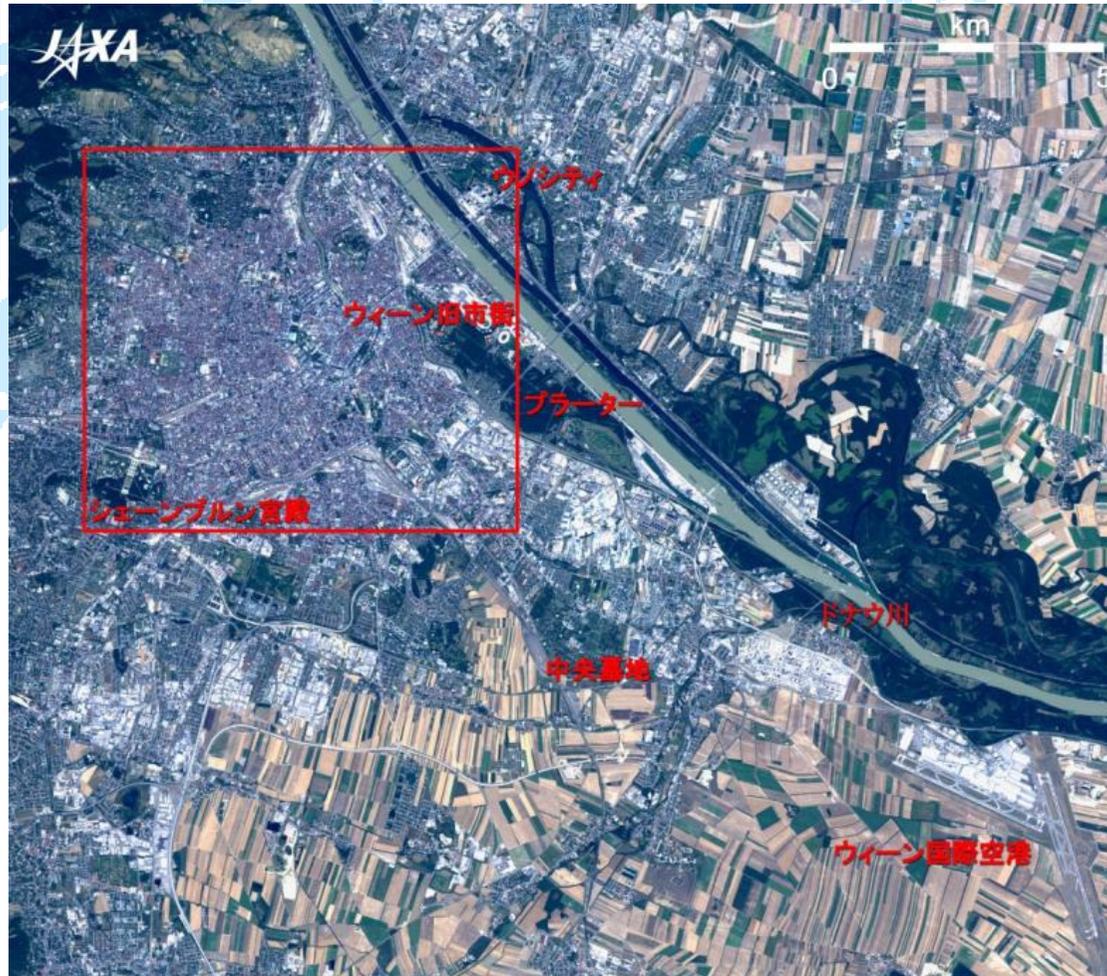
ALOS

- Disaster monitoring
- Cartography
- Regional observation
- Resources surveying

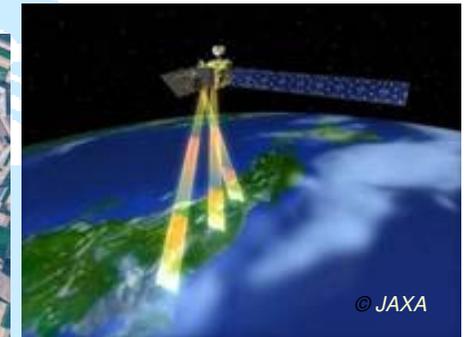


AVNIR-2

Advanced Visible and Near Infrared Radiometer type 2



ALOS AVNIR-2 image over Vienna observed on July 27, 2007



PRISM

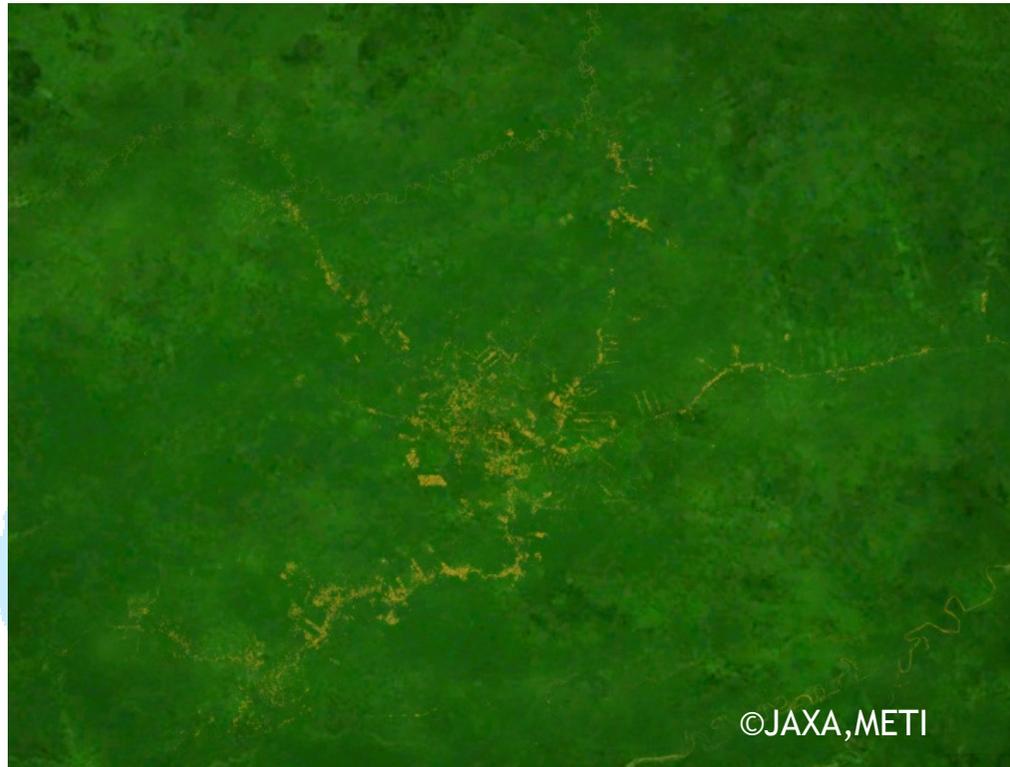
Panchromatic Remote sensing Instrument for Stereo Mapping



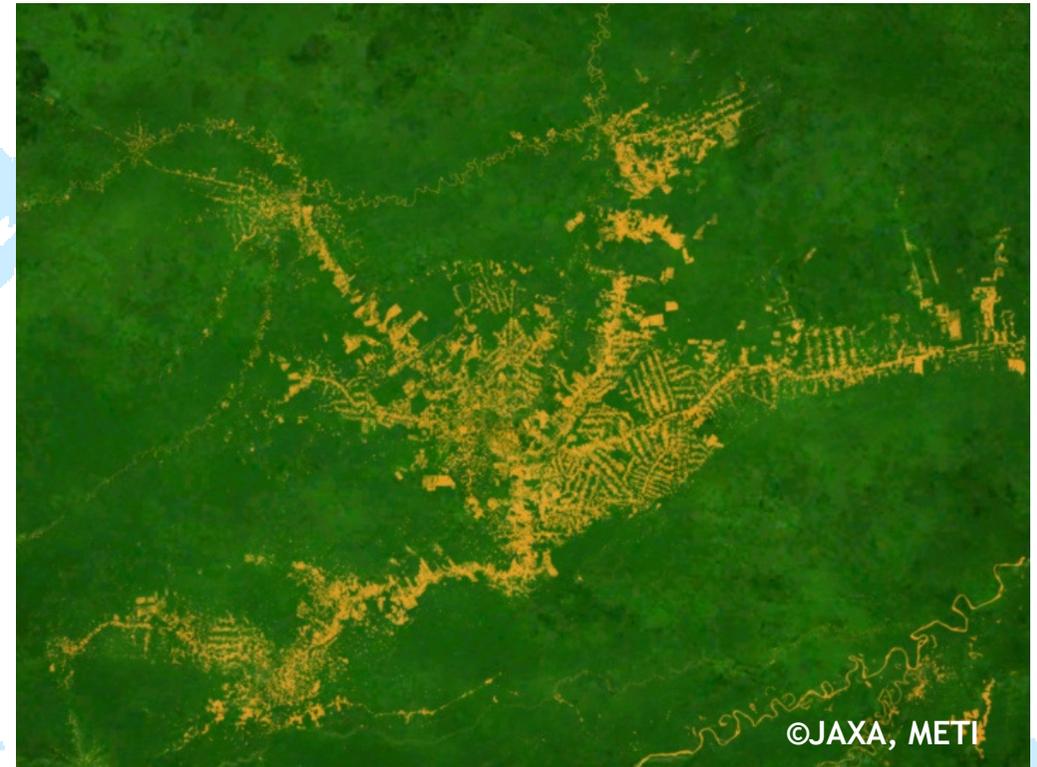
PALSAR

Phased Array type L-band Synthetic Aperture Radar

Monitor the Forest in Amazon (illegal logging)



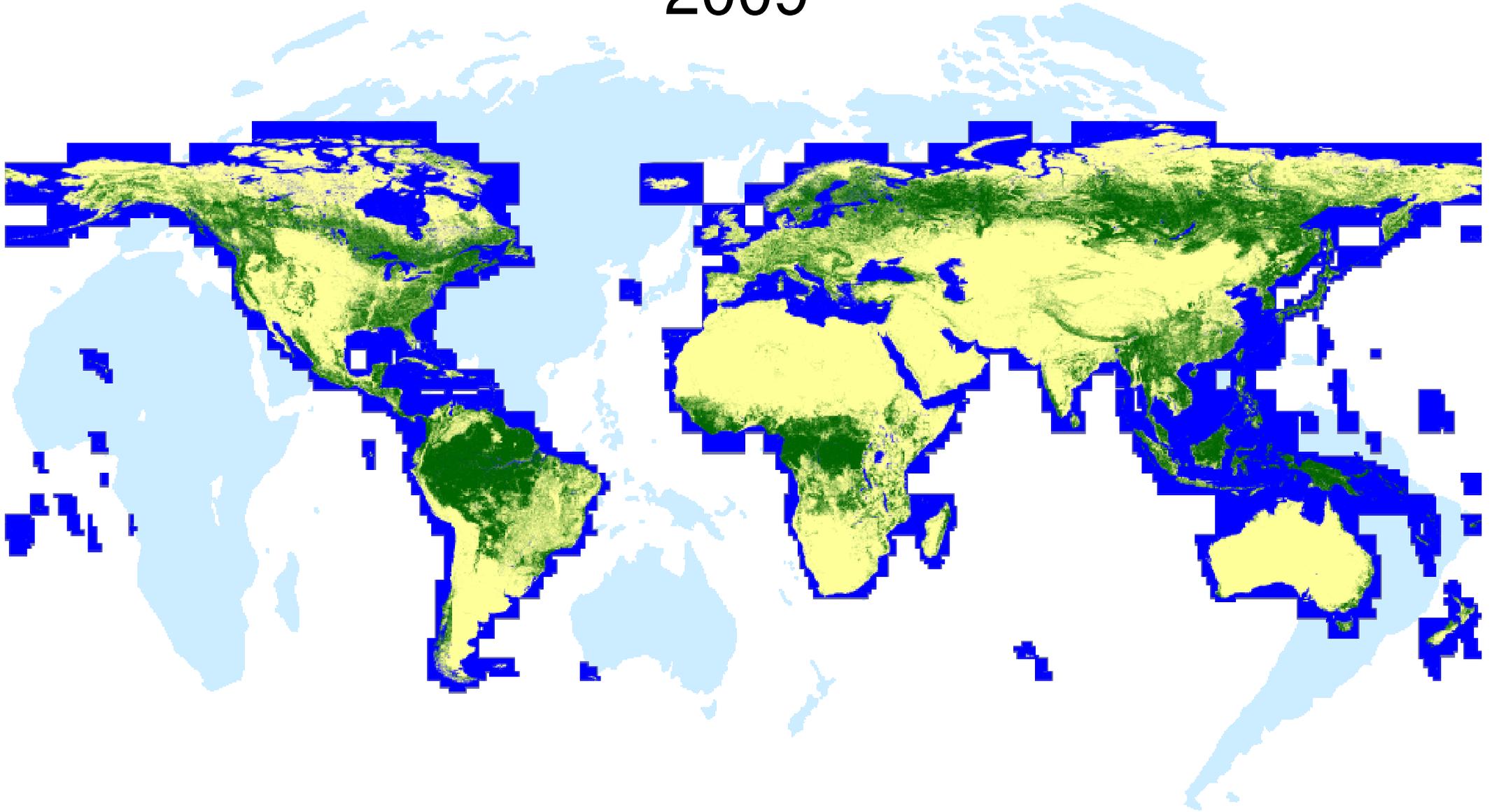
1995 (JERS-1)



2007 (ALOS)

- Within seven days after the data acquisitions, JAXA provides the **quickly processed SAR images to IBAMA.**
- The data are being utilized for the **illegal deforestation monitoring.**
- JAXA initiates **REDD+ cooperation using ALOS with INPE** last November. JAXA and INPE will **verify the utilisation of the SAR onboard ALOS to monitor tropical deforestation.**

PALSAR 10m Global Forest/Non-Forest Map 2009



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ALOS to ALOS-2 and ALOS-3

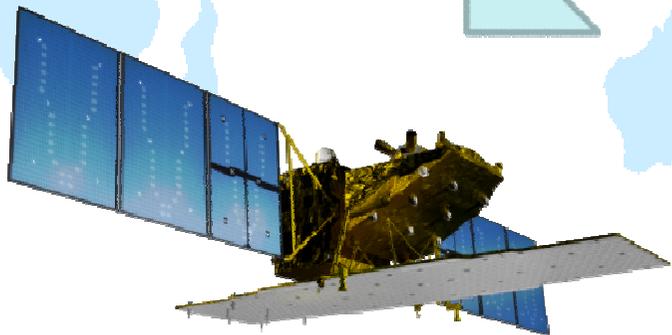
ALOS Jan. 2006-May 2011



PALSAR

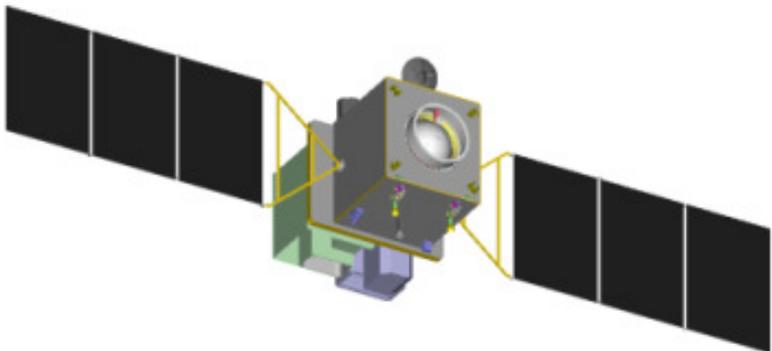
PRISM
AVNIR-2

This block contains an illustration of the ALOS satellite, which has a long, segmented solar panel array. Below the satellite, there are two boxes: one labeled 'PALSAR' and another containing 'PRISM' and 'AVNIR-2'. The entire block is set against a light blue world map background.



ALOS-2 (SAR satellite)
Launch 2013

This block features an illustration of the ALOS-2 satellite, which is a Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) satellite. It has a more compact body and a shorter solar panel array compared to ALOS. Below the illustration, the text reads 'ALOS-2 (SAR satellite)' and 'Launch 2013'. A large light blue arrow points from the ALOS satellite block down to this one.



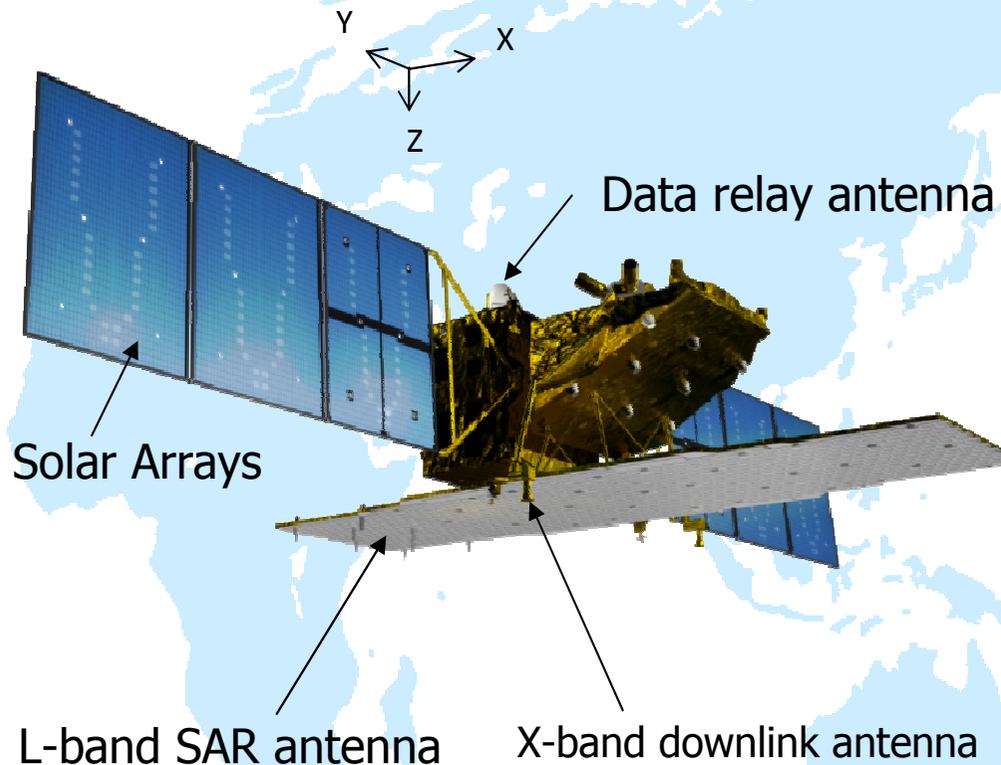
ALOS-3 (Optical satellite)
Launch 2015

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ALOS-2 satellite

Phase C/D

ALOS-2 in-orbit configuration



Specification

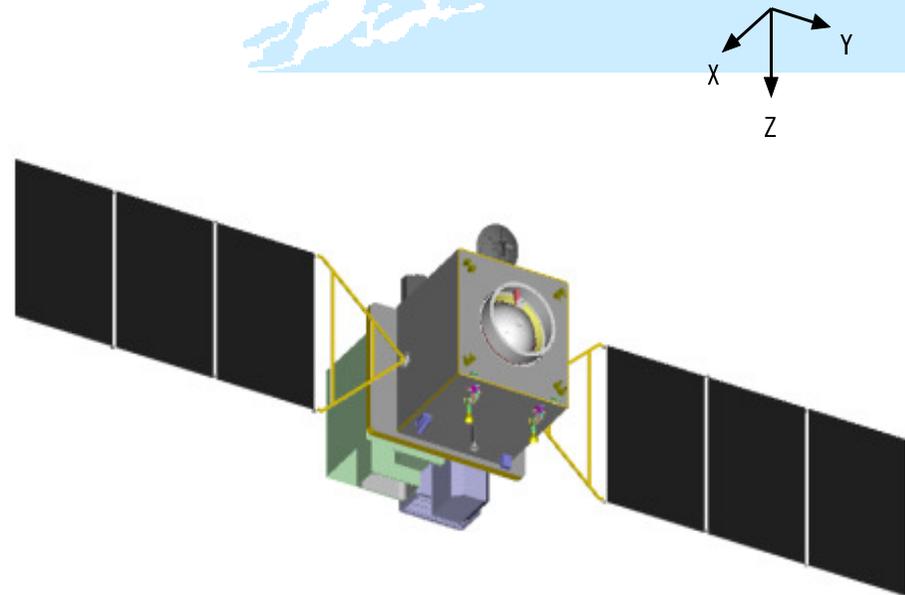
Observation mode	Stripmap: 3 to 10m res., 50 to 70 km swath ScanSAR: 100m res., 350km swath Spotlight: 1 × 3m res., 25km swath
Orbit	Sun-synchronous orbit Altitude: 628km Local sun time : 12:00 +/- 15min Revisit: 14days Orbit control: $\leq \pm 500\text{m}$
Life time	5 years (target: 7 years)
Launch	JFY2013, H-IIA launch vehicle
Downlink	X-band: 800Mbps(16QAM) 400/200Mbps(QPSK) Ka-band: 278Mbps (QPSK)

Experimental

Compact InfraRed Camera (CIRC)

ALOS-3

Phase A



ALOS-3 in-orbit configuration

ALOS-3 mission

**Panchromatic observation
0.8 m GSD and 50km wide swath**

**Stereo images by nadir-looking and
backward-looking panchromatic
imagers**

Multi-spectral(4 bands) observation

**Near real-time data transmission
using data relay satellite**

Status: Phase-up review planned in 2011

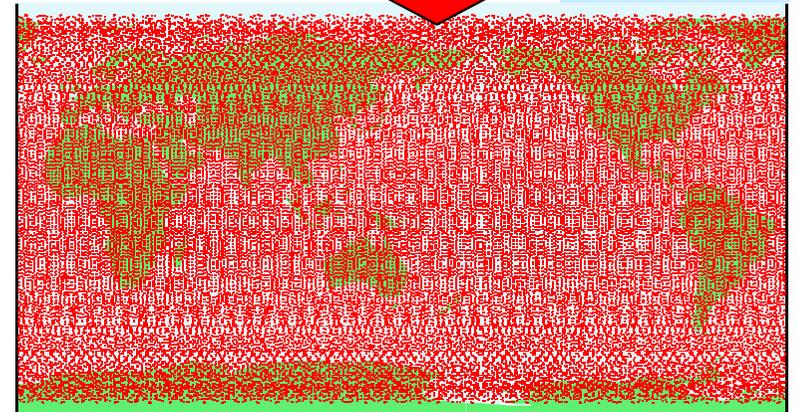
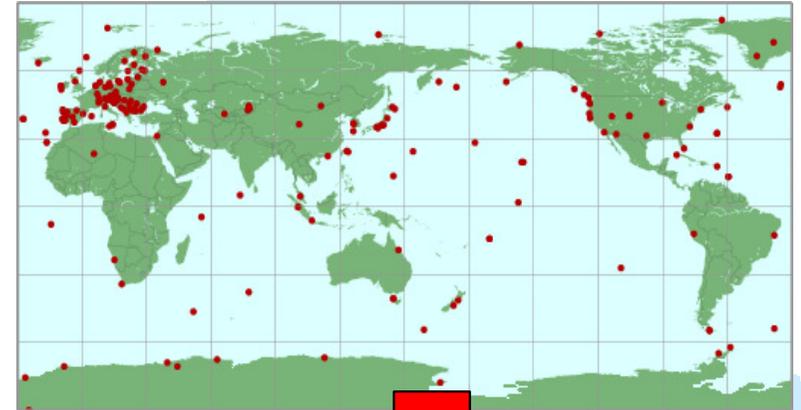
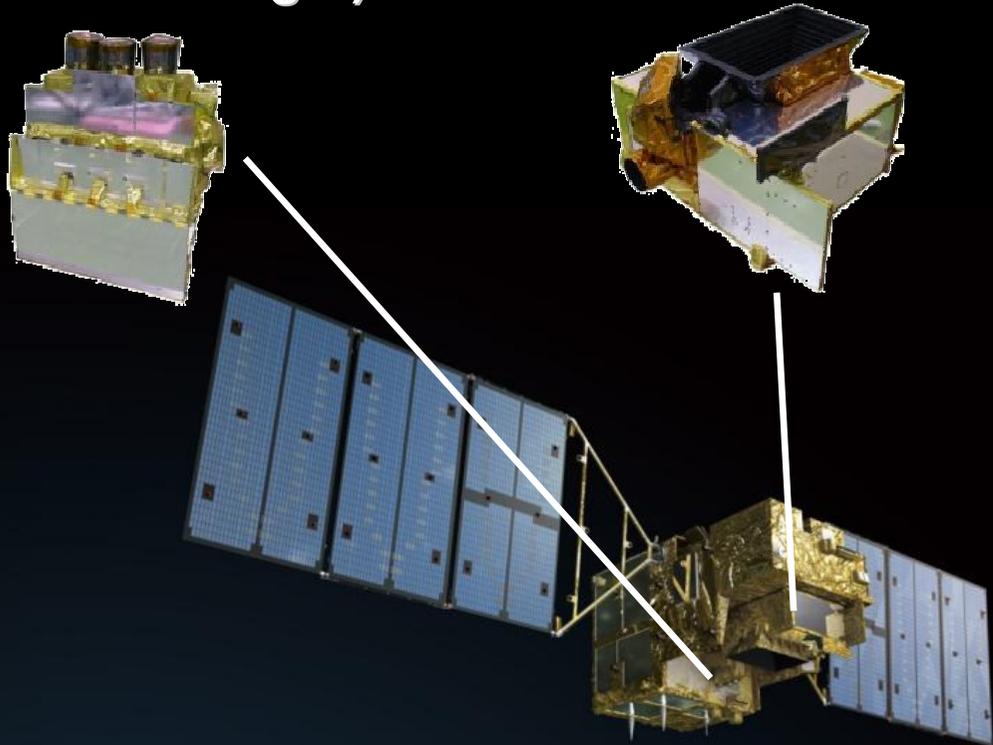
Greenhouse Gases Observing Satellite (GOSAT) (1)

GOSAT enables global (with 56,000 points) and frequent (at every 3 days) monitoring CO₂ and CH₄ column density. (Launched in Jan 2009)

Current Ground-based Observation Points (320pts)
Provided by WMO WDCGG

**TANSO-CAI
(Cloud and
Aerosol Imager)**

**TANSO-FTS
(Fourier Transform
Spectrometer)**

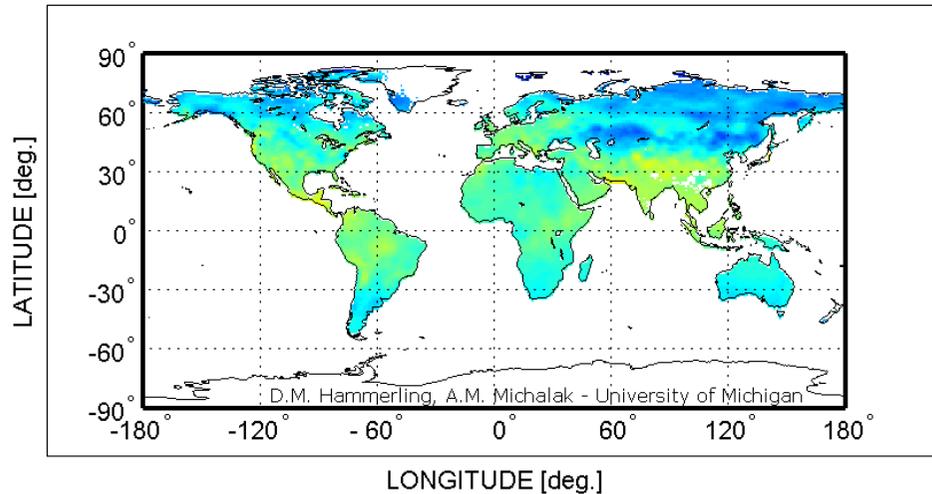


Increase of Observation Points using
GOSAT (56,000pts)

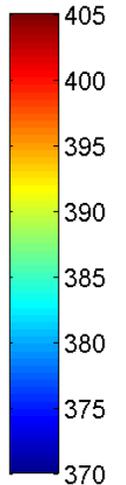
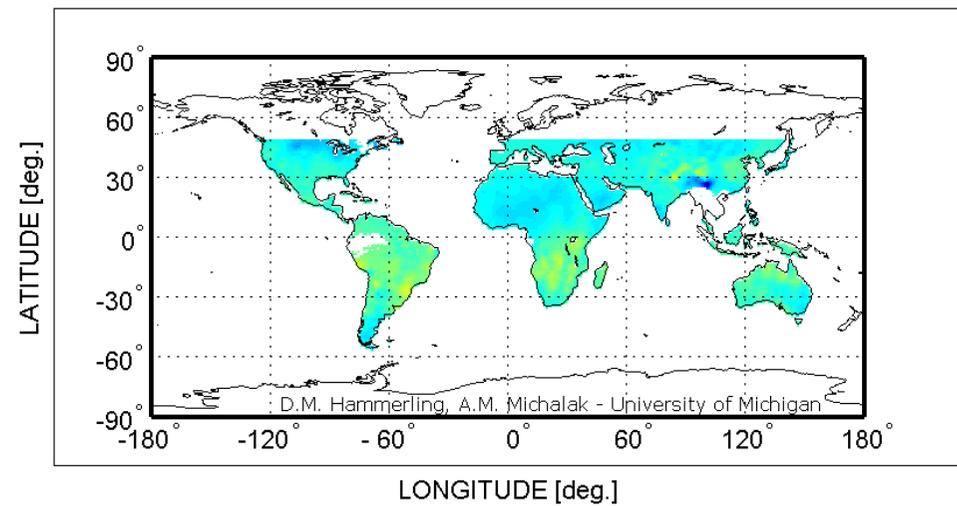
Greenhouse Gases Observing Satellite (GOSAT) (2)

CO₂ column averaged dry air mole fraction
processed by ACOS team

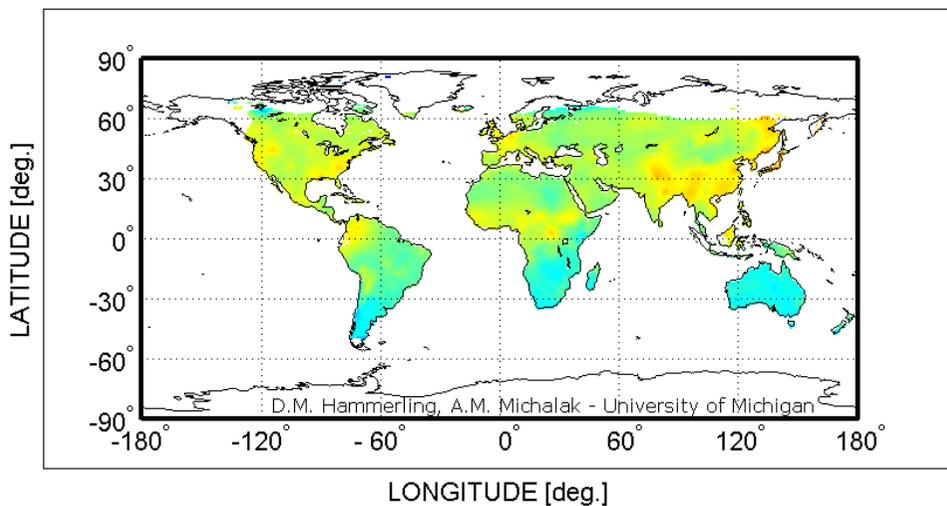
2009/07



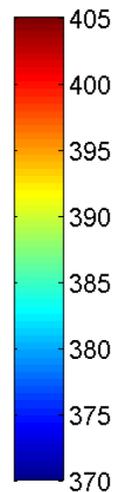
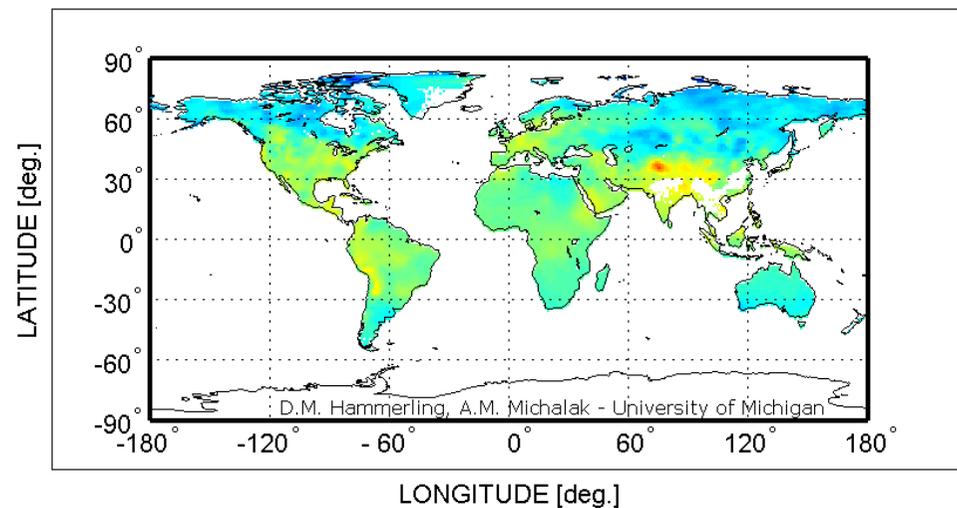
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REDD+ and Satellite Observation

Observation from Space will benefit to the REDD/REDD+ framework in the area of the development of MRV (Measuring, Reporting and Verification).

Measurement

→ Forest monitoring by SAR

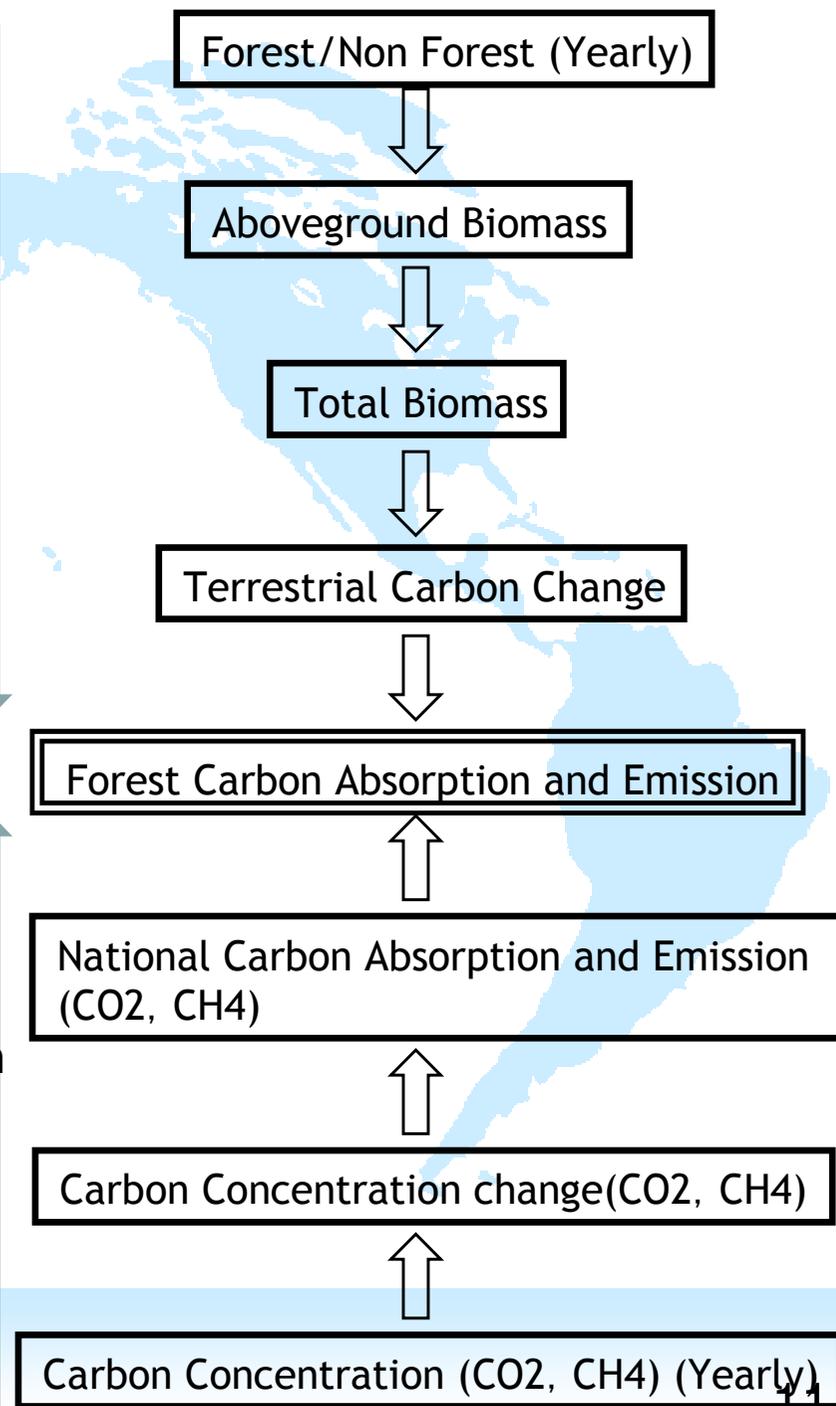
Reporting

Verification

→ GHG observation by FTS

Measuring

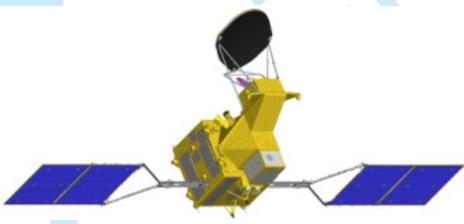
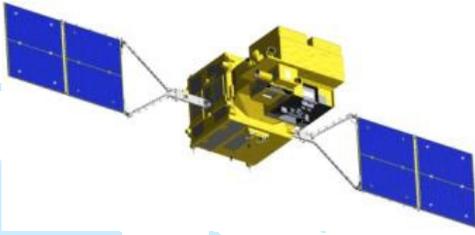
Verification



Global Change Observation Mission (GCOM) (1)

Main Mission

- Establish and demonstrate **the global and long-term Earth observing system** (contribute to GEOSS)
- Contribute to improvement of **climate change prediction** in concert with climate model research institutions

	GCOM-W	GCOM-C
Orbit	Type : Sun-synchronous orbit Altitude : 699.6 km (A-Train) Inclination : 98.2 degrees Local sun time : 13:30±15min	Type : Sun-synchronous orbit Altitude : 798 km Inclination : 98.6 degrees Local sun time : 10:30±15min
Satellite overview		
Mission life	5 years	
Launch vehicle	H2A launch vehicle	
Instrument	AMSR 2 (Advanced Microwave Scanning Radiometer-2)	SGLI (Second Generation Global Imager)
Launch	JFY 2011 (GCOM-W1)	JFY 2014 (GCOM-C1)



GCOM-W1 EMC Test

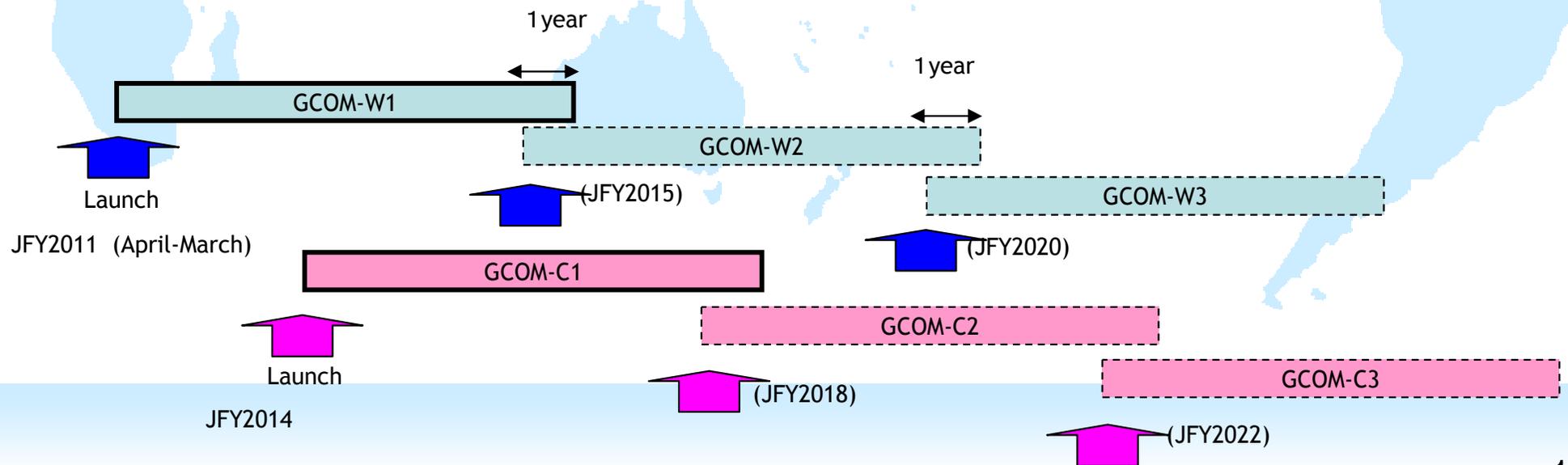


GCOM-W1 in A-Train

GCOM-W1 participates to “A-Train”, afternoon orbit constellation led by NASA.

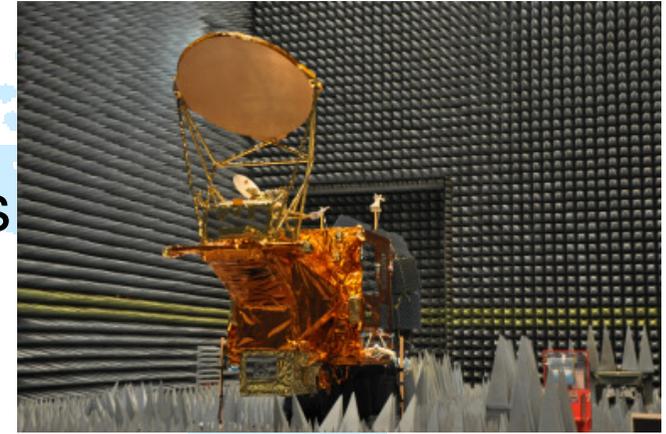
GCOM Mission (2)

- GCOM consists of **GCOM-W** and **GCOM-C** series:
 - GCOM-W with **AMSR2** (Advanced Microwave Scanning Radiometer2) and its follow-on will contribute to the observations related to global water and energy circulation.
 - GCOM-C with **SGLI** (Second-generation Global Imager) and its follow-on will contribute to the surface and atmospheric measurements related to the carbon cycle and radiation budget.
- GCOM is a long-term mission to observe more than 10 years:
 - Three consecutive generations of satellites with one year overlap in orbit enables over 13 year-observation in total.



GCOM-W1 status

- First satellite of GCOM series 15 years long-term observation program
- AMSR-2: Passive Microwave with six bands between 7 to 89 GHz
- 99 % of the global observation in two days
- The 3rd RA has been finished in last March
- Cooperation with NOAA is under discussion
- Participate the A-train
- Initial electrical performance and mechanical environment tests (vibration, acoustic etc.) completed End of Feb, 2011.
- The thermal vacuum test in this summer.
- To be launched in early 2012 by H-IIA sharing with KOMPSAT-3 (minimum impact of the earthquake)



Electric Magnetic Compatibility Test
(November 2010)



Vibration Test
(January 2011)

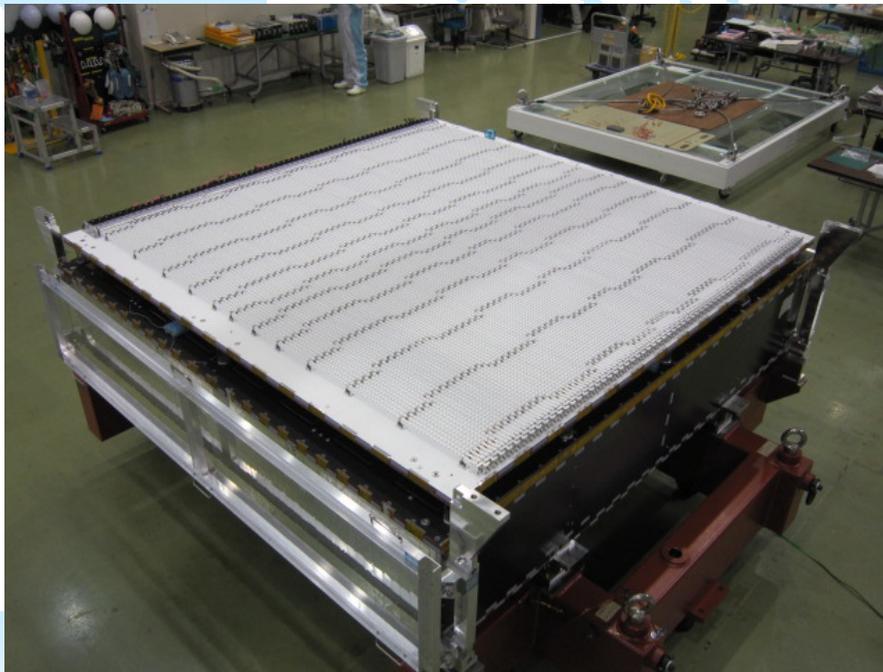
GPM/DPR (Dual-frequency Precipitation Radar)

■ JAXA's primary contribution in GPM

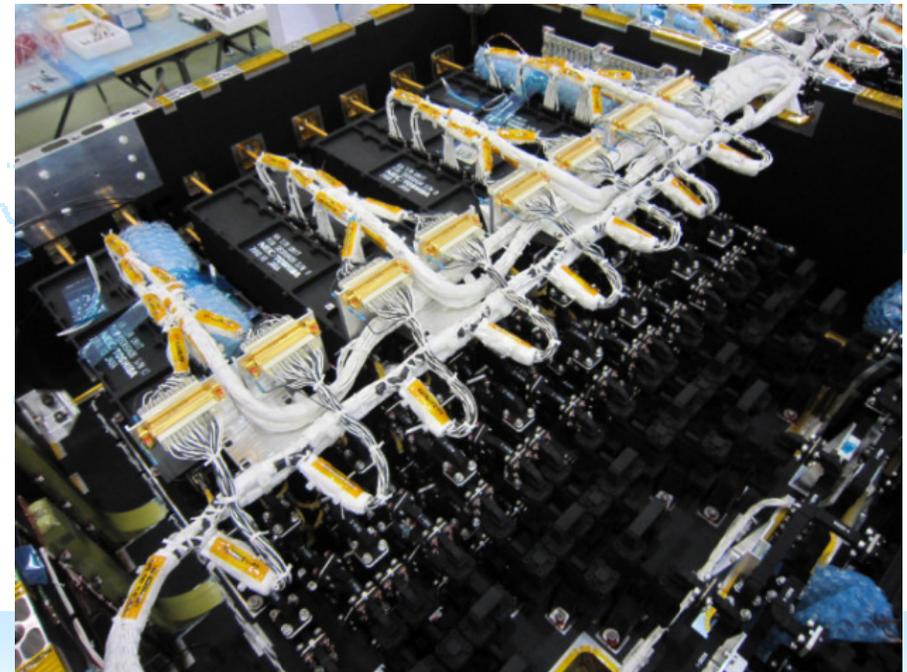
- ✓ **Development of the DPR** (Dual-frequency Precipitation Radar) onboard the GPM core observatory
- **Delivered to NASA** for integration to the GPM core observatory **in late October, 2011.**
- ✓ **Launch of the GPM core observatory by H-IIA in 2013**
- ✓ Joint development of the **GPM standard algorithm** with NASA

■ Characteristics and the role of the DPR

- ✓ **High sensitivity**
 - 0.7 mm/Hr (PR on TRMM) → 0.2mm/Hr (DPR on GPM)
- ✓ **Dual frequency (Ku-band and Ka band) matched beam observation**

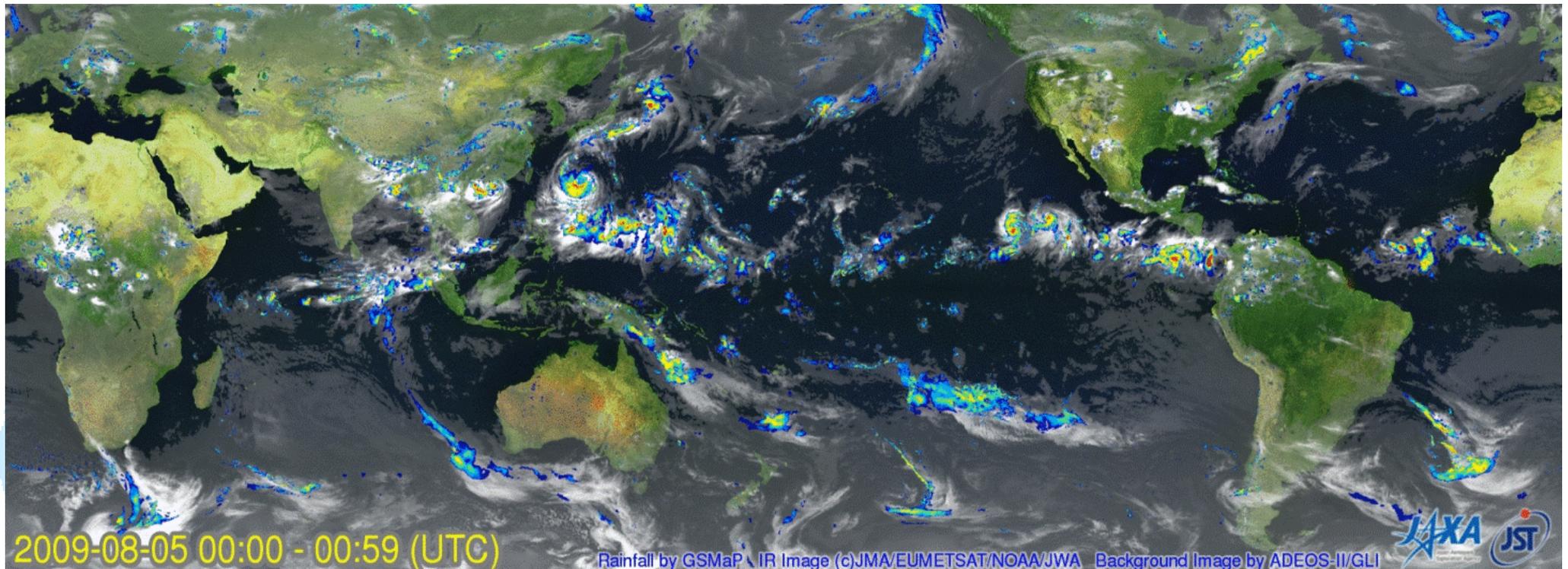


KuPR PFM



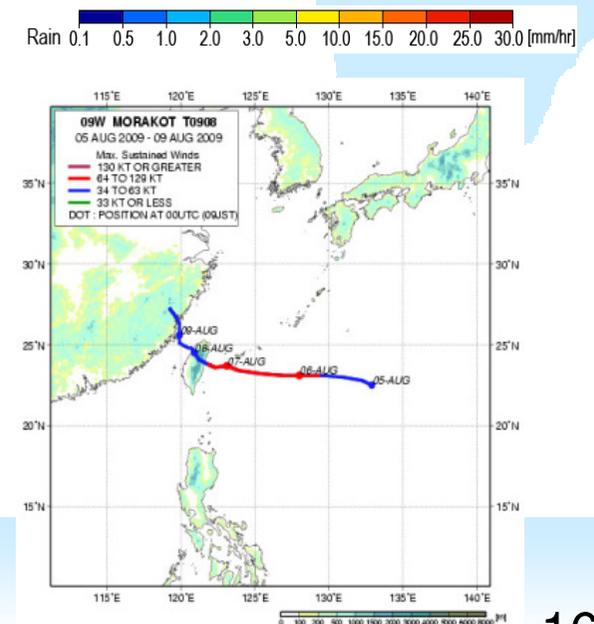
KaPR PFM under integration

Global Rainfall Map in Near Real Time



Typhoon MORAKOT (09W): Aug. 5 - 10, 2009 (Big impact in Chinese Taipei)

- Global rainfall map merging TRMM, AMSR-E and other satellite information
- Available 4-hour after observation, hourly update
- <http://sharaku.eorc.jaxa.jp/GSMaP/>



Earth CARE/Cloud Profiling RADAR

International cooperation mission [ESA and Japan](#) (JAXA/NICT)

- ◆ JAXA's contribution to EarthCARE
 - Provide **Cloud Profiling Radar** (94GHz Doppler Radar) to ESA **in Nov 2013**
 - Ground Segment in Japan for CPR processing and archive all EarthCARE products for JAXA users
 - Jointly organize Europe/Japan Science Team to develop high level products
- ◆ CPR characteristics
 - **Very high sensitivity** (-35dBZ) to **observe most of clouds**
 - **Doppler measurement capability in cloud**
(-10~+10 m/s, < 1m/s accuracy)
 - Very fine co-registration with EarthCARE/ATLID(LIDAR) to keep ideal synergy observation

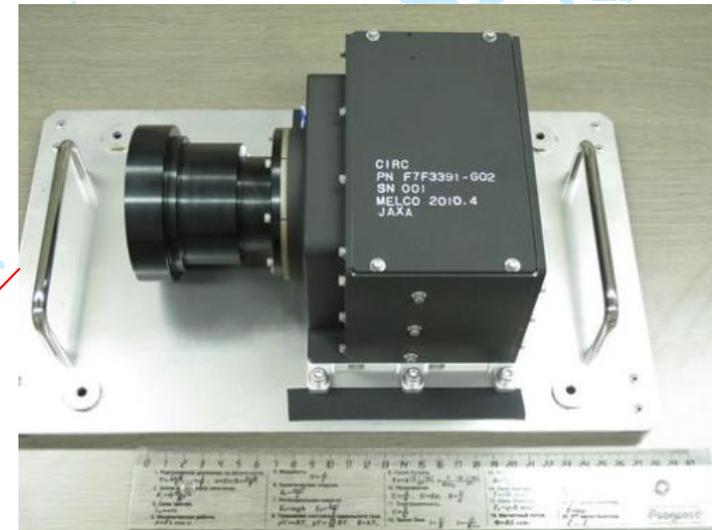
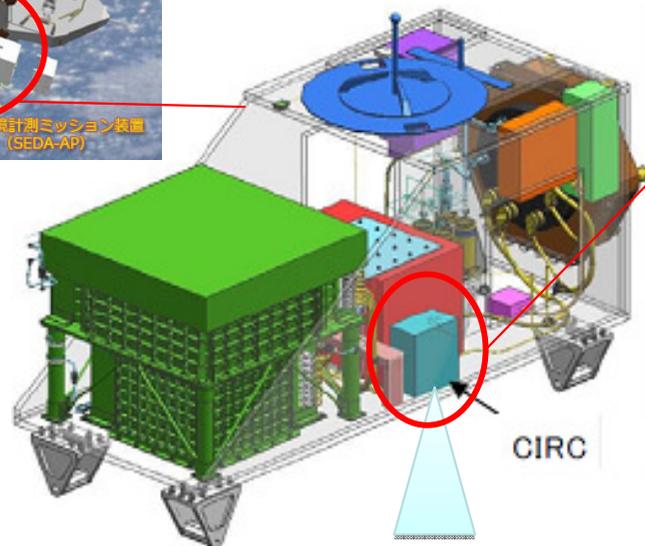


CPR Engineering Model

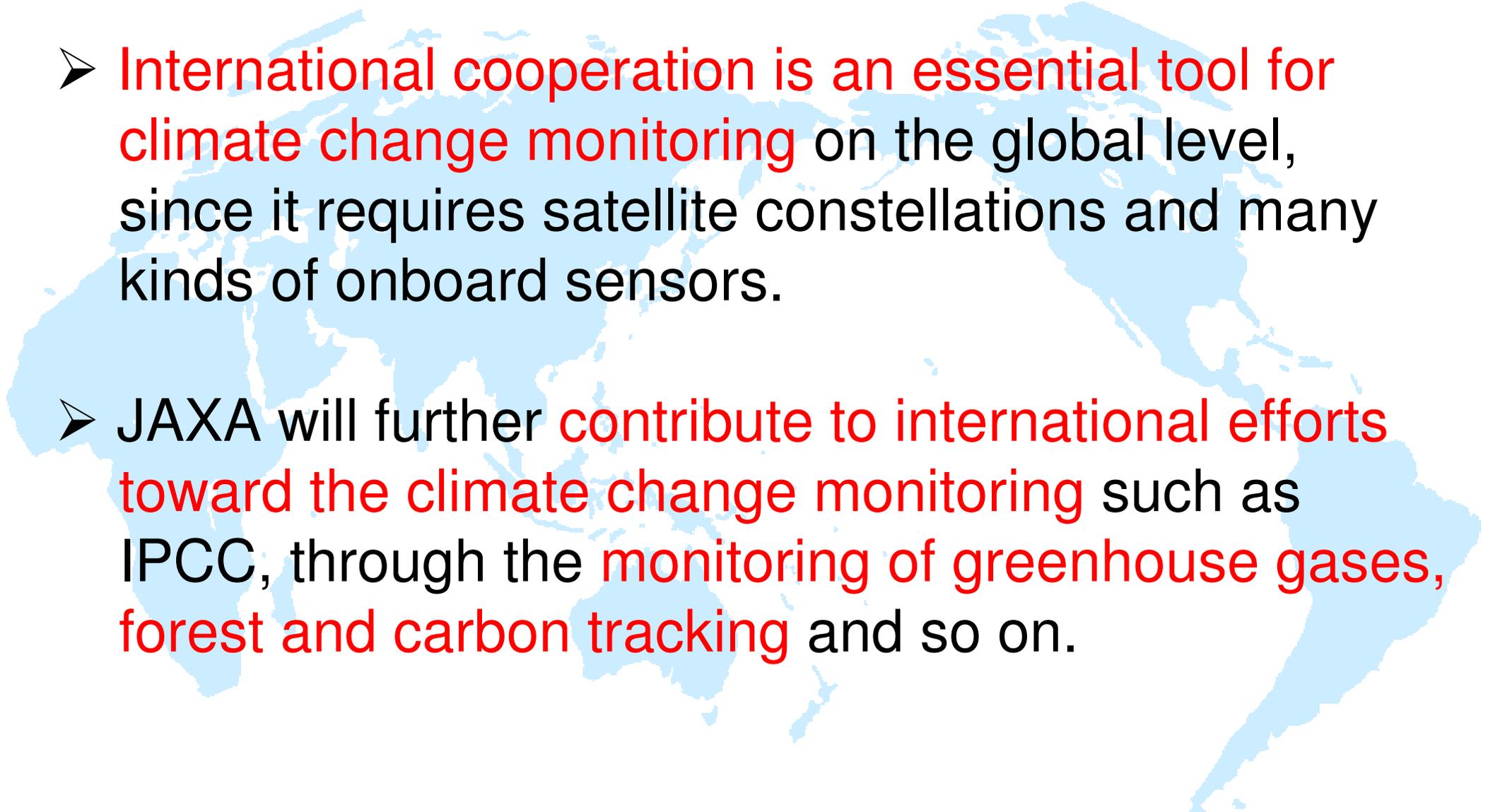
Earth Observation utilizing ISS

JAXA promotes Earth Observation missions following SMILES such as:

- Live broadcasting of global phenomena by astronauts onboard ISS
- Kibo Exposed Facility payloads
 - Compact InfraRed Camera (CIRC)
 - CO2 Lidar, Doppler lidar, etc.



Summary

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- International cooperation is an essential tool for climate change monitoring on the global level, since it requires satellite constellations and many kinds of onboard sensors.
 - JAXA will further contribute to international efforts toward the climate change monitoring such as IPCC, through the monitoring of greenhouse gases, forest and carbon tracking and so on.