

# Sentinel-3 OLCI and SLSTR

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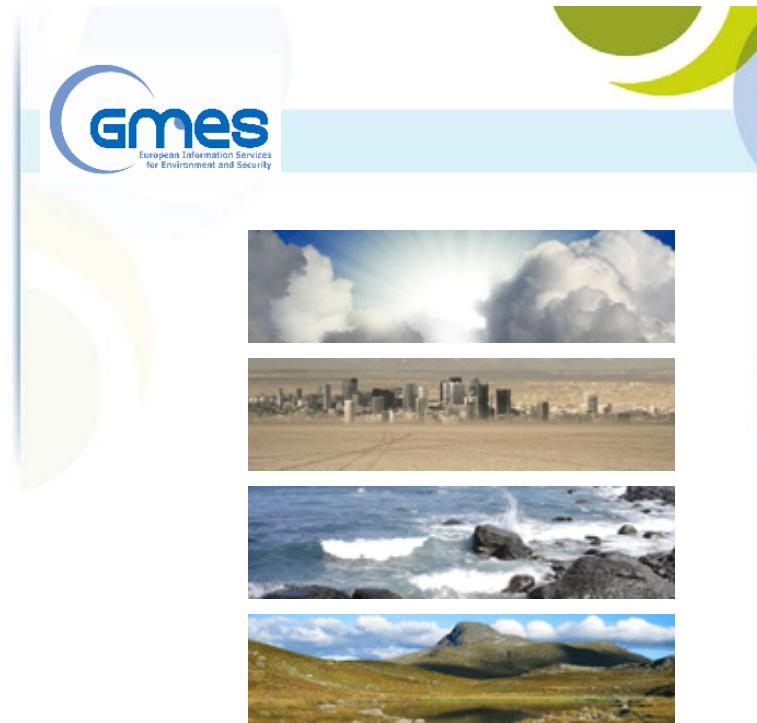
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- Overview of User Requirements
- Overview of OLCI instrument
- Overview of SLSTR instrument
- Current activities
- Timeline
- Summary



## GMES Observational Infrastructure

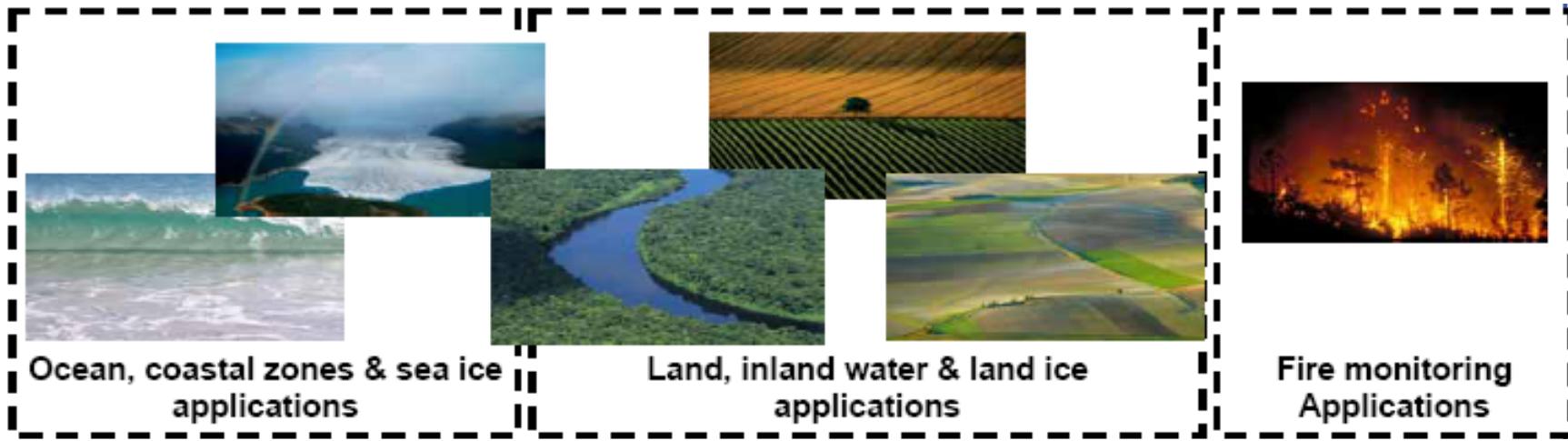
- The GMES initiative federates a wide range of observations from space and *in situ* infrastructures.
- The space component :
  - Shall ensure sustainable provision of satellite derived Earth observation data to all GMES services.
  - Shall ensure that the architecture of the component is derived from service requirements
- ESA and EUMETSAT are two main European actors in this area who play the major role in co-ordination, implementation and operating the GMES space infrastructure.

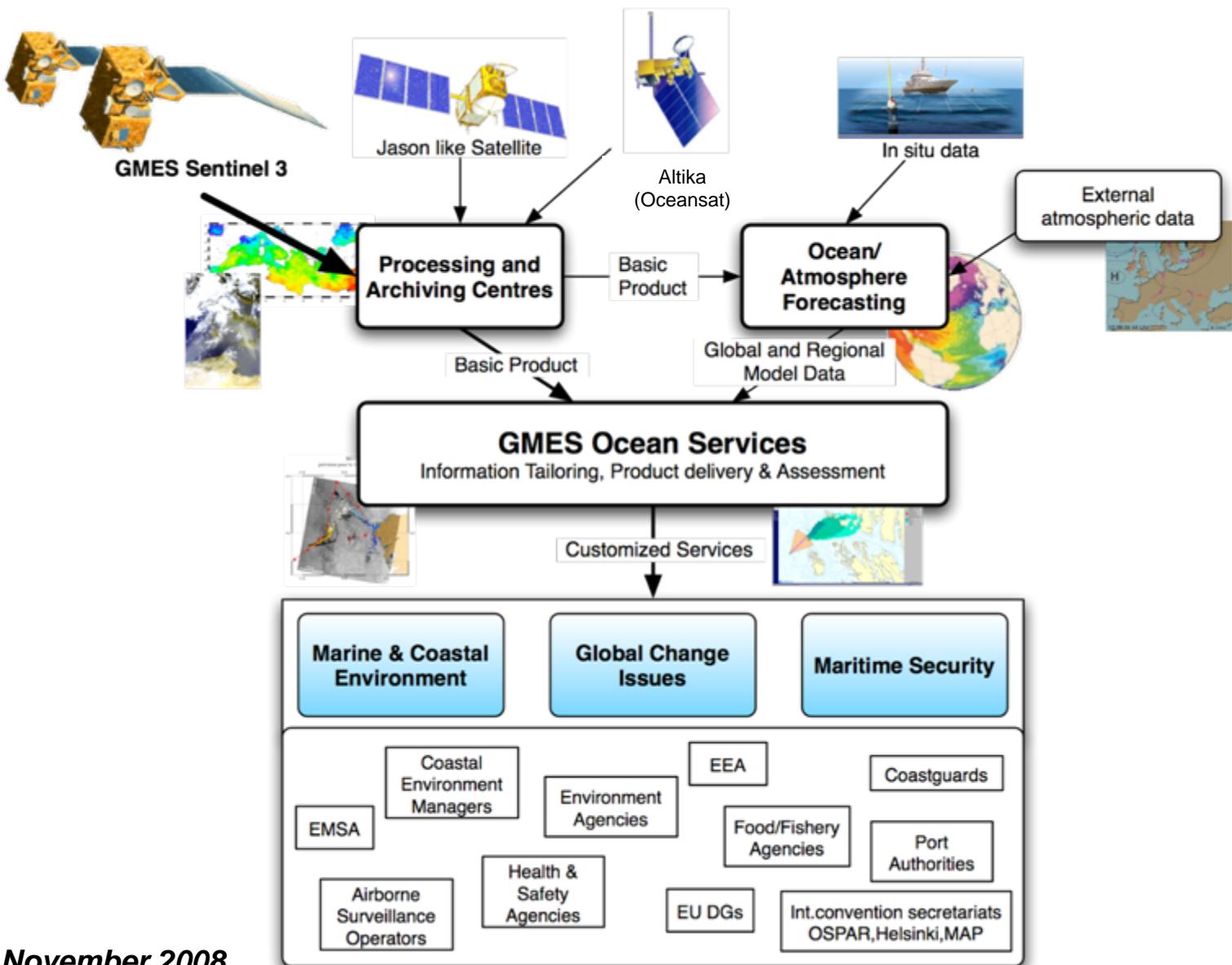


## GMES Sentinel-3 Mission Overview

- **ESA is currently developing 3 satellite systems forming part of the Space Component of GMES programme (Global Monitoring for Environment and Security):**
  - S1: C-band SAR,
  - S2: Multispectral high resolution optical imager,
  - S3: Wide-swath, low resolution VIS - IR spectroradiometers and a radar altimeter package.
- **Each Sentinel mission has stringent revisit, coverage and mission life cycle requirements (>15 years), which require the deployment of several satellites for each mission.**

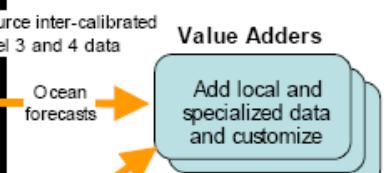
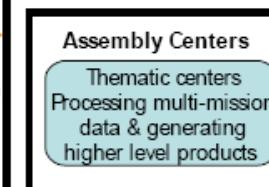
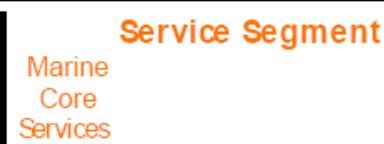
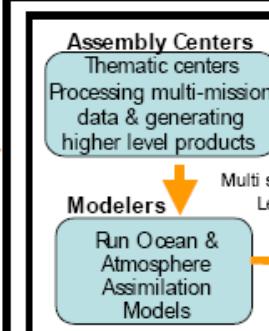
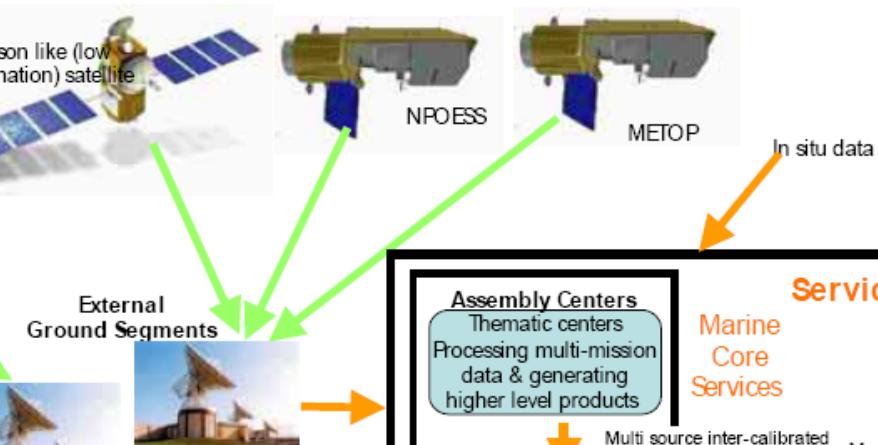
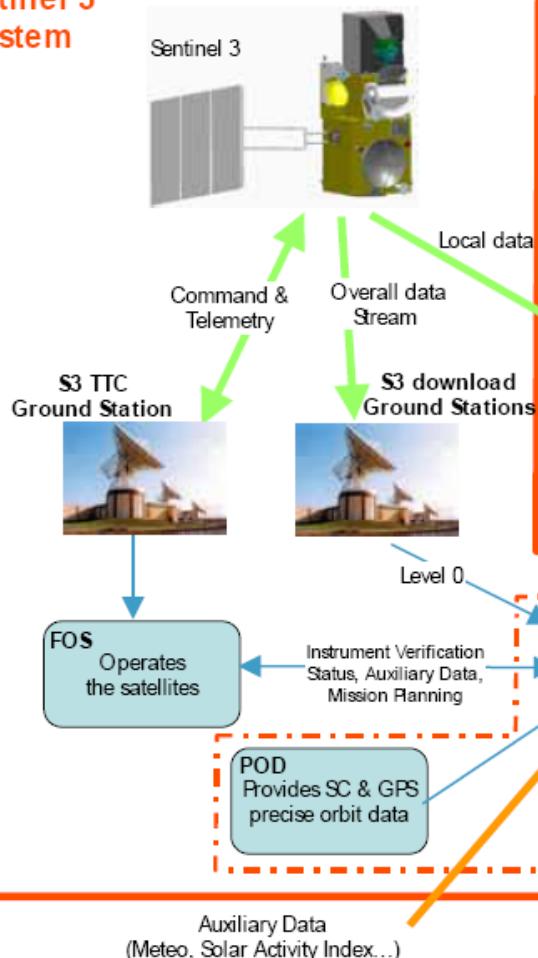
# Key user communities for Sentinel-3 data and services





## Mission Context

### Sentinel 3 System



## Marine Services

| GMES Initial Service                  | S-3 Requirement  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Marine and Coastal Environment</b> | sea-surface topography<br>mesoscale circulation<br>water quality<br>sea-surface temperature<br>wave height and wind<br>sediment load and transport<br>eutrophication |
| <b>Polar Environment monitoring</b>   | sea-ice thickness<br>ice surface temperature   |
| <b>Maritime Security</b>              | ocean-current forecasting<br>water transparency<br>wind and wave height  |
| <b>Global Change Ocean</b>            | global sea-level rise<br>global ocean warming<br>ocean CO <sub>2</sub> flux  |

## Land Services

| GMES Initial Service                            | S-3 Requirement   |
|---|---|
| <b>Global Change Land</b>                       | forest cover change mapping<br>soil degradation mapping |
| <b>Land cover &amp; Land use change</b>         | land use mapping<br>Vegetation indices                  |
| <b>Forest Monitoring</b>                        | forest cover mapping                                    |
| <b>Food Security early warning</b>              | regional land-cover mapping<br>drought monitoring       |
| <b>Humanitarian Aid</b>                         | land use mapping  |
| <b>Air Pollution (local to regional scales)</b> | aerosol concentration                                   |
| <b>Risk Management (flood and fires)</b>        | burned scar mapping<br>fire detection                   |

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Land Colour  
Instrument

Sea and Land  
Surface  
Temperature  
Radiometer

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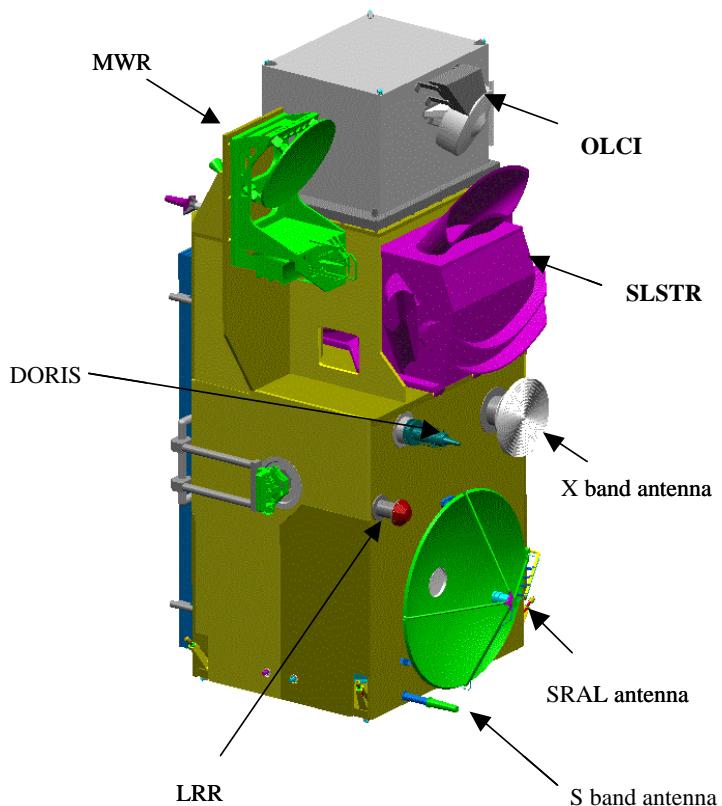


## Orbit characteristics

- Average altitude ~815 km
- LTDN between 10 – 10:30
- Near-Polar frozen Sun-Synchronous (98.6 deg. inclination)
- 27 days exact repeat cycle
- 4 day global coverage (optical mission) with 1 Satellite (less than 2 days with two Satellites)

## Main satellite characteristics

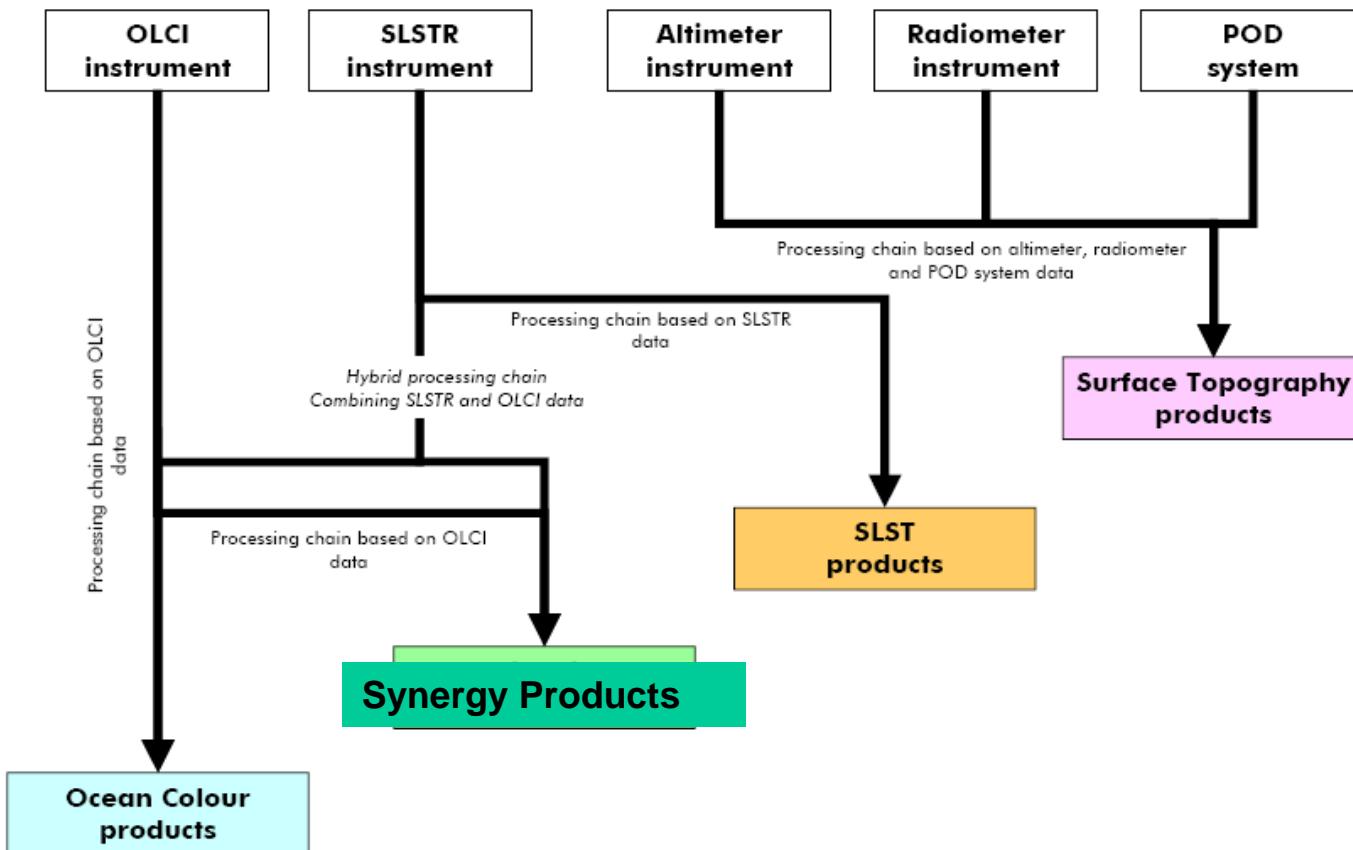
- 1198 kg maximal mass
- Volume in 3.89 m x 2.202 m x 2.207 m
- Average power consumption of 1100 W
- 7.5 years lifetime (fuel for 5 add. years)
- Large cold face for optical instruments thermal control
- Modular accommodation for a simplified management of industrial interfaces
- Launch second half 2012



## Observation Data Management

- 200 Gb of observation data per orbit
- Space to ground data rate of 450 Mb/s
- 1 contact per orbit
- 3h timeliness

# Sentinel-3 Data Chains

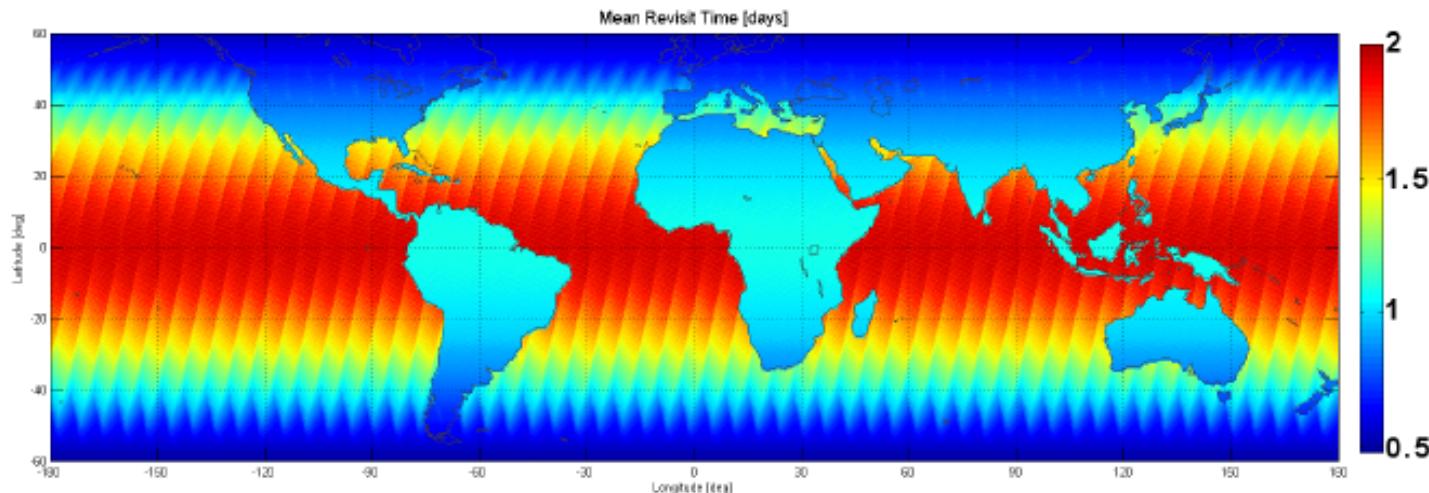


# User Requirements: OLCI

| <b>Parameter</b>   | <b>Range</b> | <b>Accuracy<br/>Case 1 water</b> | <b>Accuracy<br/>Case 2 water</b> |
|--|--------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Marine Reflectance [at 442 nm]   | 0.001 – 0.04 | $5 \times 10^{-4}$               | $5 \times 10^{-4}$               |
| Water leaving radiance $L_w(\lambda)$ (atmospherically corrected)<br>[mW/cm <sup>2</sup> /μm/Sr] | 0.0 – 1.0    | 5%                               | 5%                               |
| Photosynthetically available radiation, PAR [ $\mu\text{mol quanta}/\text{m}^2/\text{s}$ ]       | 0 – 1400     | 5%                               | 5%                               |
| Diffuse attenuation coefficient (or turbidity), K [ $\text{m}^{-1}$ ]                            | 0.001 – 0.1  | 5%                               | 5%                               |
| Chlorophyll, Chl [mg/m <sup>3</sup> ]  | 0.001 – 150  | threshold 30 %<br>goal 10 %      | threshold 70 %<br>goal 10 %      |
| Total Suspended Matter [g/m <sup>3</sup> ]   | 0.0 – 100    | threshold 30 %<br>goal 10 %      | threshold 70 %<br>goal 10 %      |
| Coloured Dissolved Organic Material (CDOM) ( $a_{412} [\text{m}^{-1}]$ )                         | 0.01 – 2     | threshold 50 %<br>goal 10 %      | threshold 70 %<br>goal 10 %      |
| Harmful Algae Bloom [mg/m <sup>3</sup> ]<br>(same req. as Chlorophyll)                           | 0.1 – 100    | threshold 30 %<br>goal 20 %      | threshold 70 %<br>goal 30 %      |

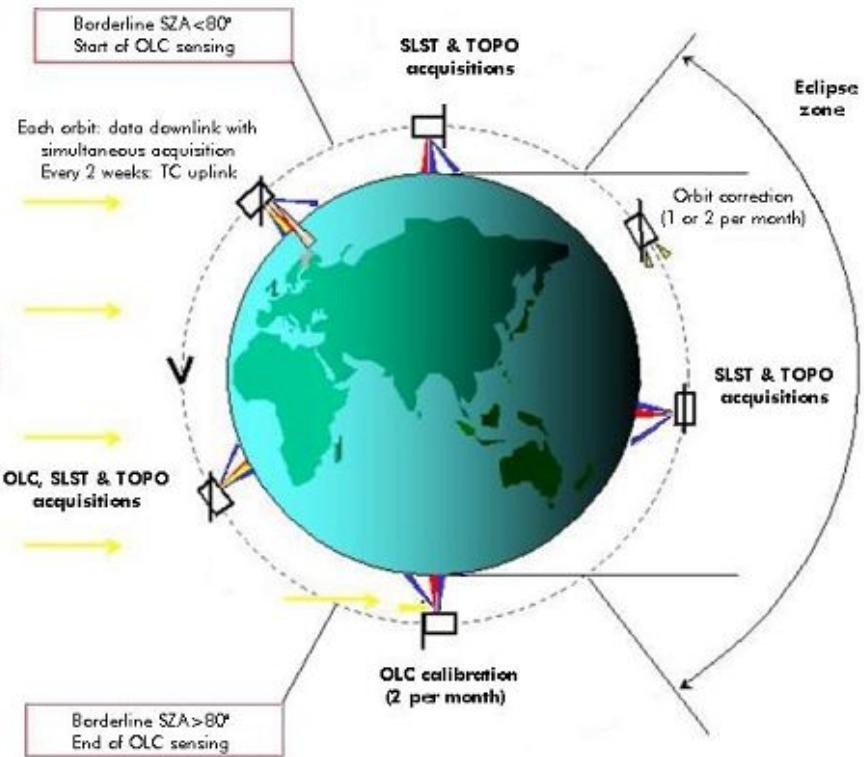
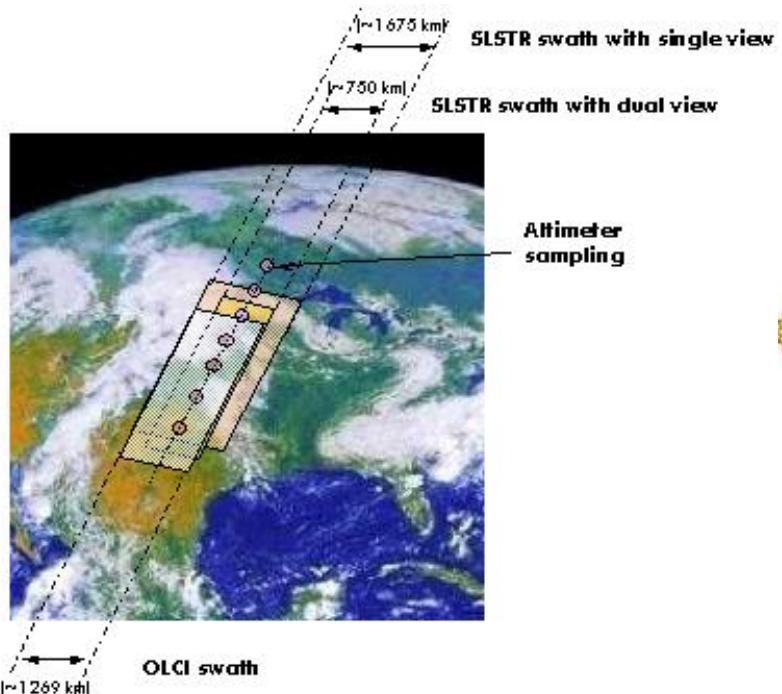
## OLCI mean revisit time in 2 satellite configuration

| Requirements  |      | 1 S/C | 2 S/C @ 180° |
|---|------|-------|--------------|
|   | SEA  | -     | 2.0          |
| Max. of Longitude-Averaged Mean Rev. Time (LAMRT <sub>MAX</sub> ) | LAND | -     | 2.0          |
| Max. of Longitude-Averaged Maximum Rev. Time                      | SEA  | 3.8   | 1.9          |
|   | LAND | 2.2   | 1.1          |
|   | SEA  | 4.0   | 2.0          |
|   | LAND | 3.5   | 2.0          |



**OLCI mean revisit time with 2 S/C (after one full repeat cycle)**

## Data Acquisition Geometry



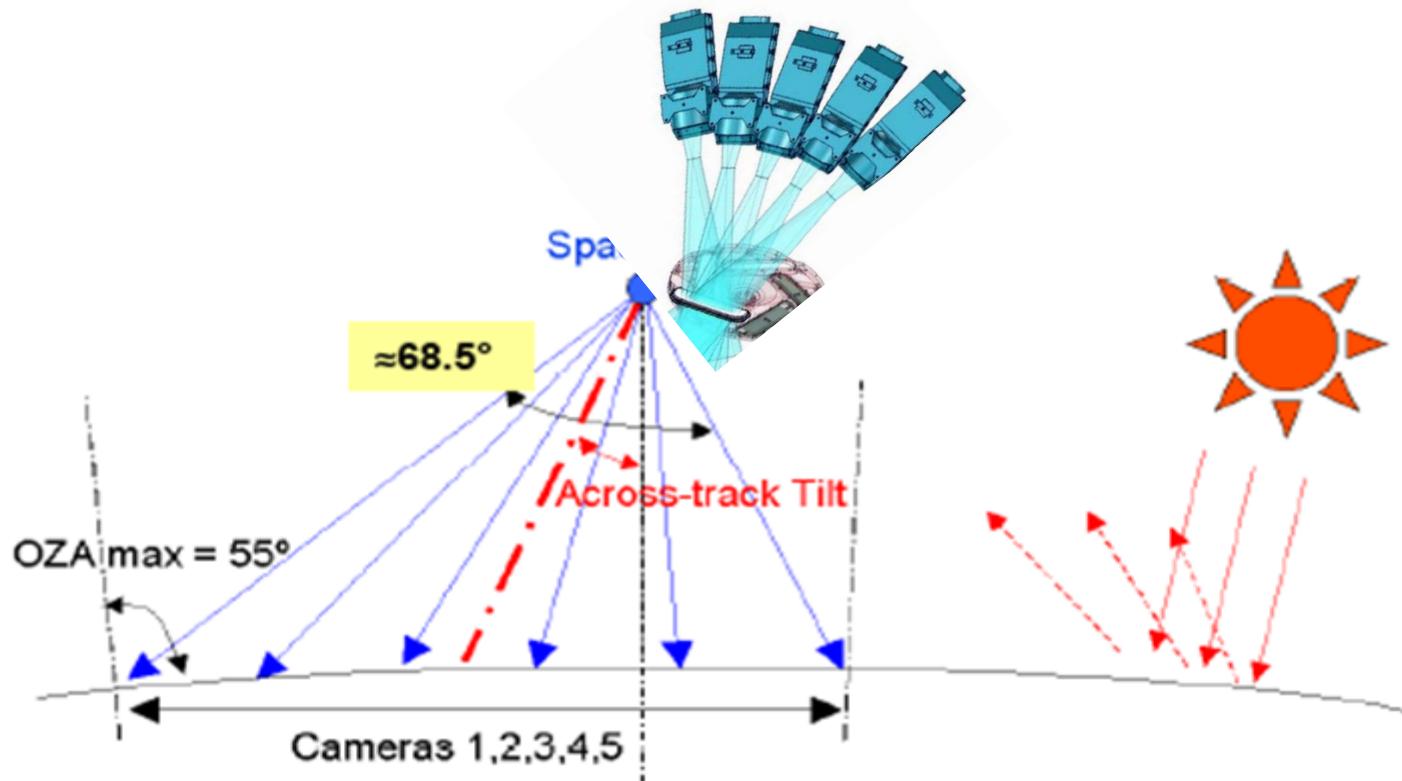
**Instrument operations are repetitive according to the satellite position**

- SLSTR incl. nadir & backward view
- OLCI FOV optimised to avoid sun glint
- SLSTR & OLCI will be available as L1C co-registered product
- SLSTR (IR channels) and TOPO are always acquiring data

## Ocean & Land Color Instrument (OLCI)

### VIS-NIR programmable imaging spectrometer:

- 5 cameras in fan-shaped form,
- overall instrument FoV is 68.5 degrees, i.e., ~1300km
- instrument assembly tilted by about 12 deg across-track away from Sun avoiding sun-glint effects.



## Technical:

### Basic set-up:

5 fan-arranged Camera Optical Sub Assemblies (COSA),

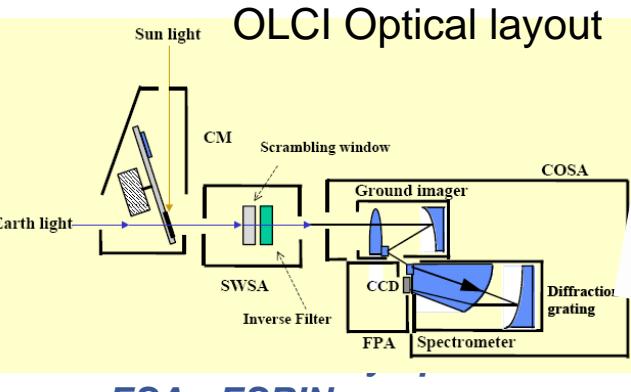
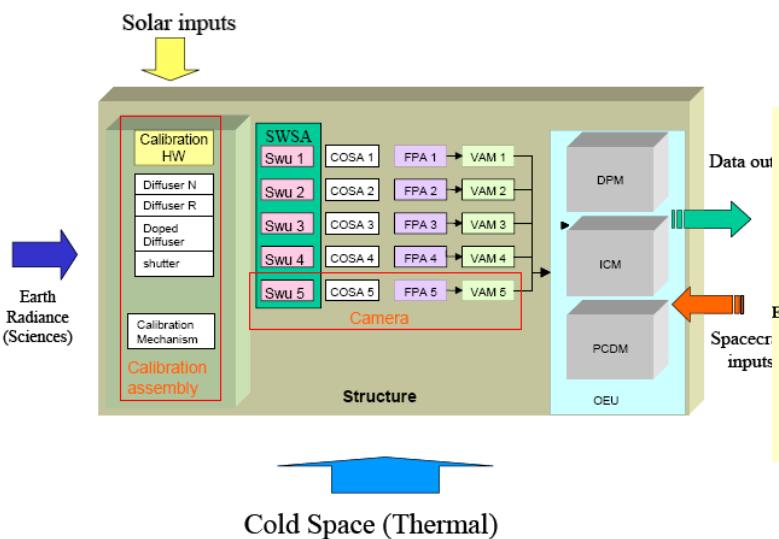
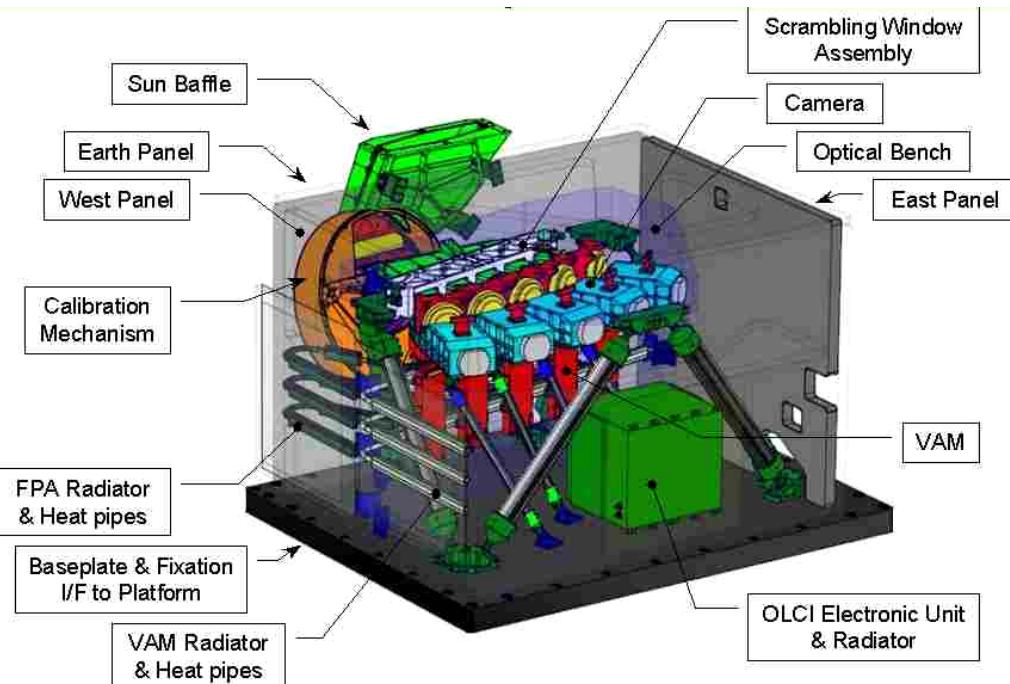
5 Focal Plane Assemblies (FPA),

1 Scrambling Window Assembly (SWA),

5 Video Acquisition Modules (VAM),

1 OLCI Electronic Unit (OEU) managing all the instrument functions,

1 calibration assembly allowing a radiometric and spectral calibration.





| Band # | $\lambda$ center | Width | Lref                            | Lsat radiance |                                 | SNR         |
|--------|------------------|-------|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|-------------|
|        | nm               | nm    | W/(m <sup>2</sup> .sr. $\mu$ m) | Lsat/Lmax     | W/(m <sup>2</sup> .sr. $\mu$ m) | [ $\cdot$ ] |
| O1     | 400              | 15    | 62.95                           | 0.8           | 413.5                           | 2188        |
| O2     | 412.5            | 10    | 74.14                           | 1             | 501.3                           | 2061        |
| O3     | 442.5            | 10    | 65.61                           | 0.8           | 466.1                           | 1811        |
| O4     | 490              | 10    | 51.21                           | 0.8           | 483.3                           | 1541        |
| O5     | 510              | 10    | 44.39                           | 0.8           | 449.6                           | 1488        |
| O6     | 560              | 10    | 31.49                           | 1             | 524.5                           | 1280        |
| O7     | 620              | 10    | 21.14                           | 0.8           | 397.9                           | 997         |
| O8     | 665              | 10    | 16.38                           | 0.8           | 364.9                           | 883         |
| O22    | 673.75           | 7.5   | 15.70                           | 1             | 443.1                           | 707         |
| O9     | 681.25           | 7.5   | 15.11                           | 0.8           | 350.3                           | 745         |
| O10    | 708.75           | 10    | 12.73                           | 0.8           | 332.4                           | 785         |
| O11    | 753.75           | 7.5   | O23                             | 767.5         | 2.5                             | 7.58        |
| O12    | 761.25           | 2.5   | O14/15                          | 778.75        | 15                              | 9.18        |
| O13    | 764.375          | 3.75  | O16/17                          | 865           | 20                              | 6.17        |
|        |                  |       | O18                             | 885           | 10                              | 6.00        |
|        |                  |       | O19                             | 900           | 10                              | 4.73        |
|        |                  |       | O20                             | 940           | 20                              | 2.39        |
|        |                  |       | O21                             | 1020          | 40                              | 3.86        |

additional bands still subject to change for better app/s, SNR/s and data-rates.

MERIS heritage

OLCI new bands  
20th November 2008



### Spectro-radiometric performance req.:

|  |                             |
|--|-----------------------------|
| <b>Absolute radiometric accuracy</b>                 | < 2%                        |
| <b>Stability (during day time part of the orbit)</b> | < 0.1%                      |
| <b>Spectral misregistration</b>                      | < 0.0014 μm                 |
| <b>Inter-channel spatial co-registration</b>         | < 0.4 FR SSD (400 - 900 nm) |
| <b>Inter-channel radiometric accuracy</b>            | < 1%                        |
| <b>Out-of-band signal</b>                            | < 1%                        |
| <b>Polarization sensitivity</b>                      | < 0.01                      |

### Geometric performance req.:

- **FOV:** 68.4°
- **Sampling Distance (in km):**

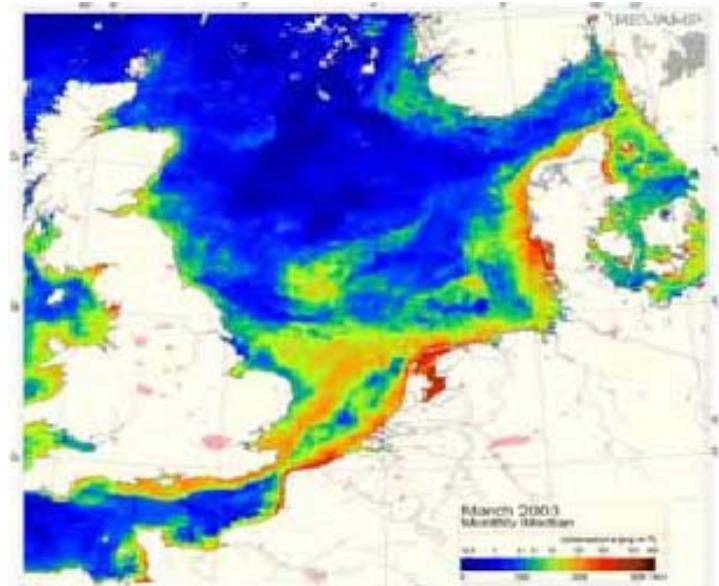
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|--------------|-----|-----|----|
| Open Ocean   | 1.2 | 1.2 | RR |
| Coastal Zone | 0.3 | 0.3 | FR |
| Land         | 0.3 | 0.3 | FR |
- **Distortion** < 1.4 %
- **Modulation Transfer Function (MTF) Nyquist)** > 0.28 (at

Close heritage to MERIS (spectral bands and radiometric performances)

Improvement of MERIS performances:

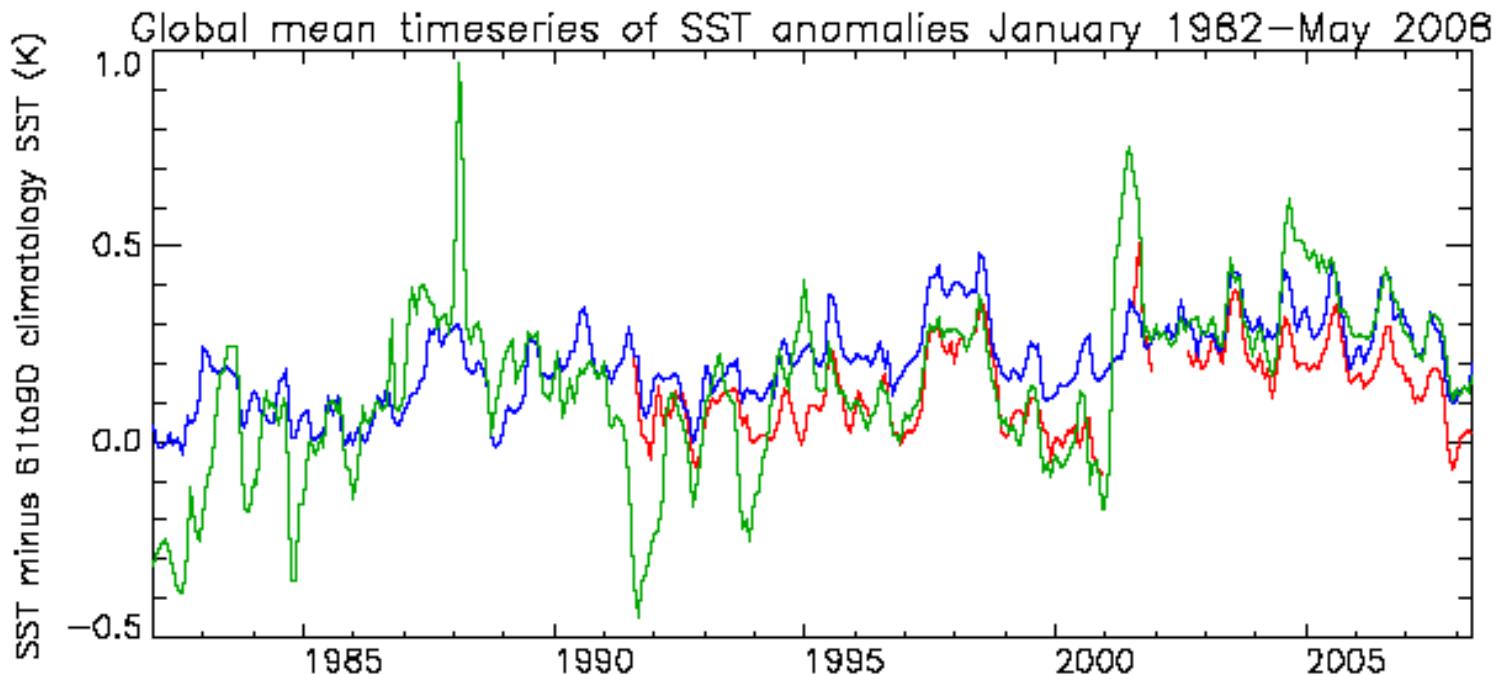
- number of spectral bands (from 15 to 21)
- Reduced sun glint by camera tilt in west direction
- Full Resolution (FR, 300m) also over land/ocean,
- Reduced Resolution (RR, 1200m) over Ocean binned on ground (L1B)
- improved stray light characterisation
- improved coverage Ocean < 4 days, Land < 3 days (MERIS eff. 15 days!)
- Timeliness: 3 hours NRT Level 1 product
- 100% overlap with SLSTR
- Trying to derive instrument uncertainty estimates

=> improved L2 products (e.g., **Cla, HAB, Transparency, Sediment loading, Turbidity, NDVI, MGVI, MTCI, faPAR, LAI**)



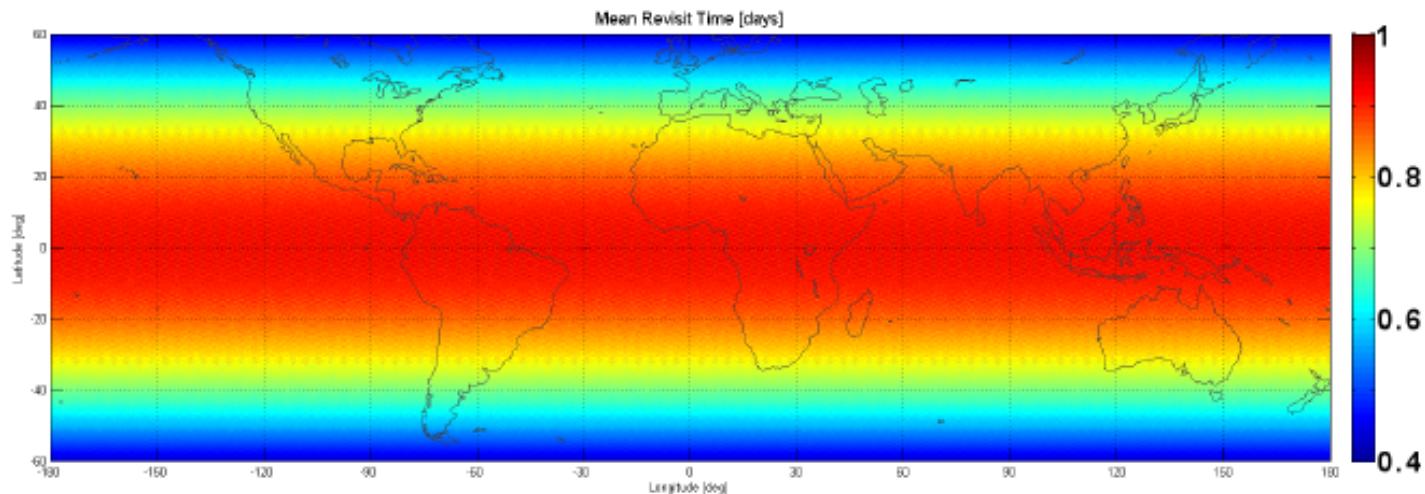
*Chlorophyll Atlas of the North Sea (MERIS)*

## User Requirements: SLSTR



## SLSTR revisit time in 2 satellite configuration

|  | Nadir View |       | Dual View |       |
|--|------------|-------|-----------|-------|
|  | 1 S/C      | 2 S/C | 1 S/C     | 2 S/C |
| <b>Requirements</b>  | -          | 1.0   | -         | 4.0   |
| <b>Max. of Longitude-Averaged Maximum Rev. Time [days]</b> | 2.6        | 0.6   | 3.5       | 1.5   |
| <b>Max. of Longitude-Averaged Mean Rev. Time [days]</b>    | 1.0        | 0.5   | 1.9       | 0.9   |



**SLSTR Dual View mean revisit time with 2 S/C (after one RC)**

20<sup>th</sup> November 2008

*Medspiration/GlobColour symposium*  
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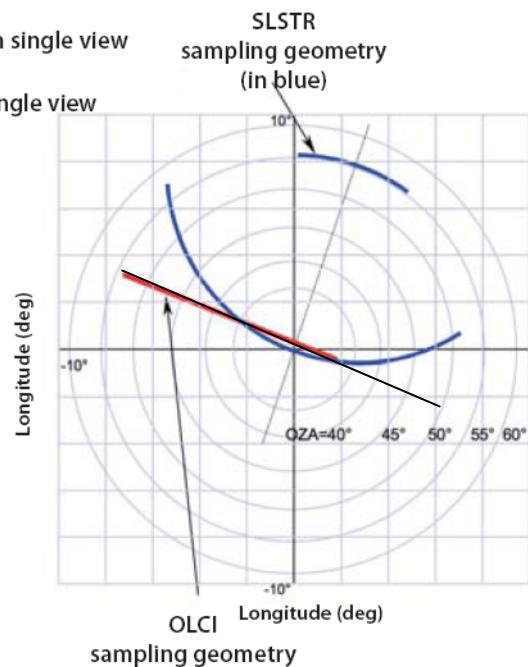
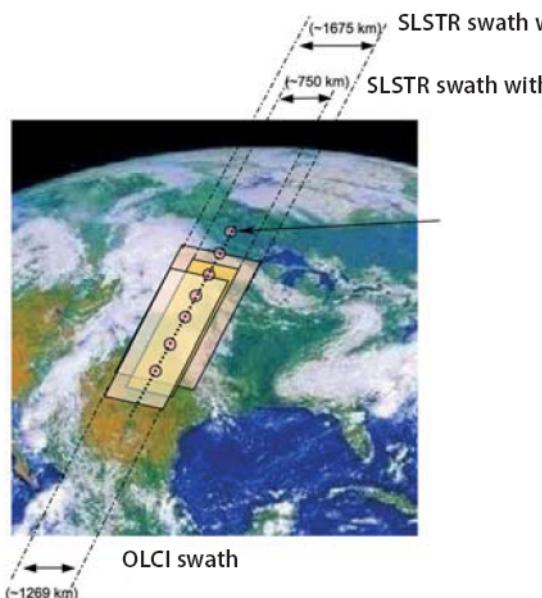
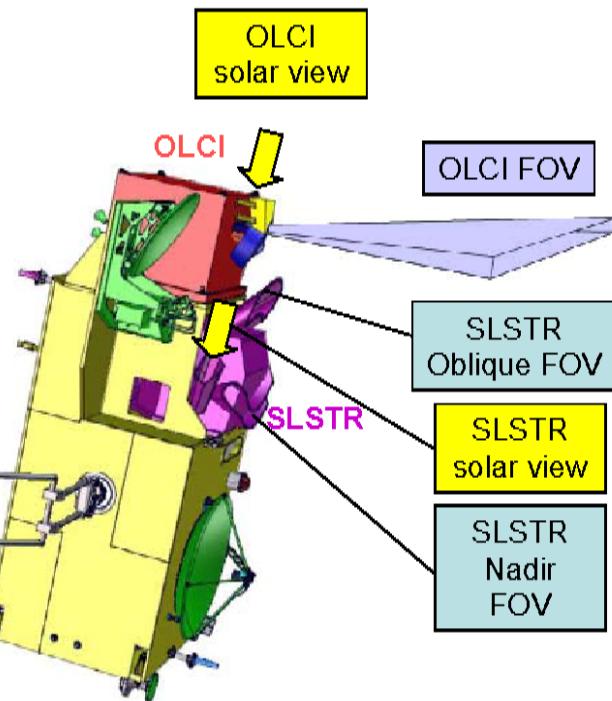
## Sea and Land Surface Temperature Radiometer (SLSTR)

### SLSTR Objectives

- Strong heritage from A(A)TSR (spectral channels and rad. performances)
- Continue high precision IR SST series from A(A)TSR!
- Land Surface Temperatures
- Surface albedo over water/land
- Synergy between OLCI and SLSTR (new products)
- For Level 2 products, same or better performance as ENVISAT
- Support of VEGETATION-type products (option)
- IR channels adapted to support Fire Monitoring (option)

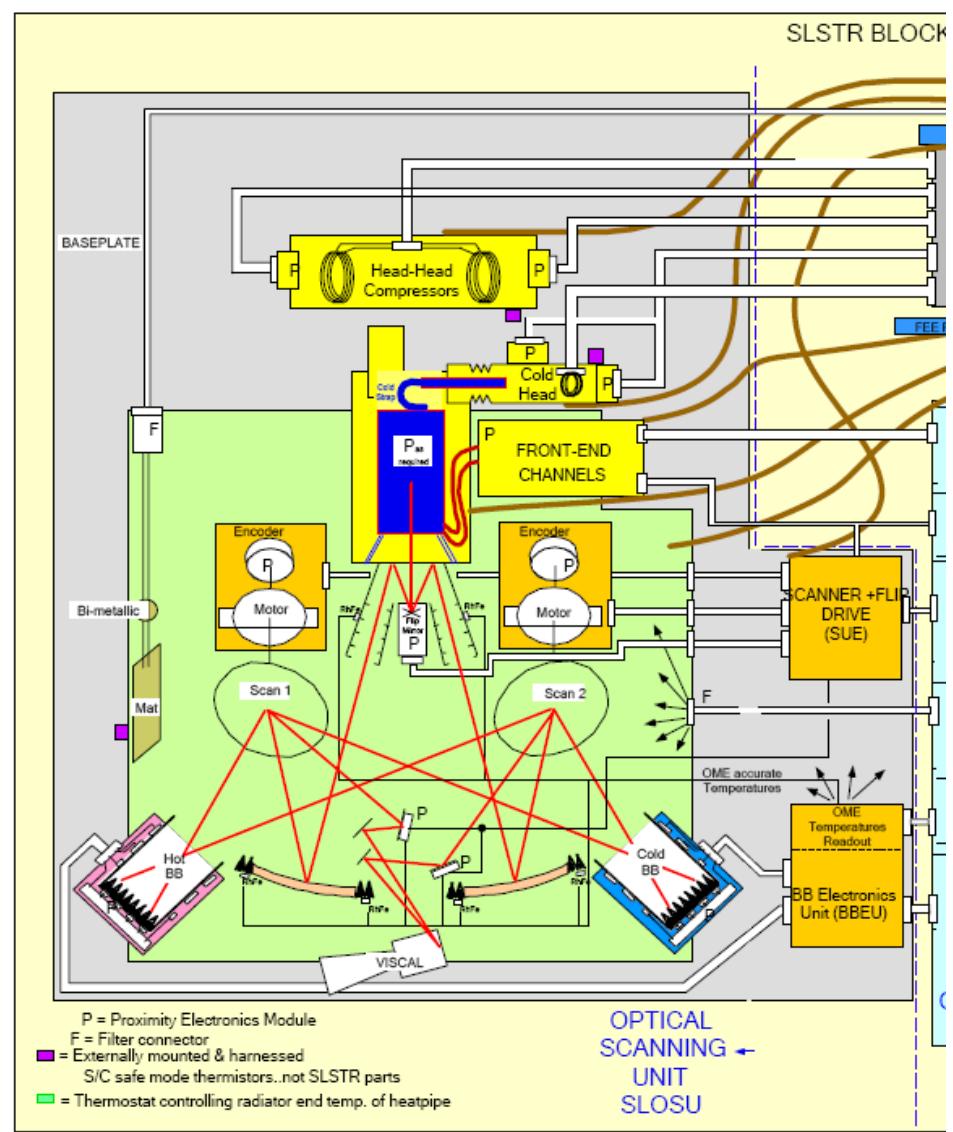


- **2 observation views (dual view):**
  - Near-nadir view: FOV allowing a swath: ~1700km
  - Inclined view with an OZA of 55°, i.e., swath: ~750km
    - looking in backward direction
- **On ground resolution:**
  - 500 m (solar, 0.55-2.2μm)
  - 1000 m (TIR, 3.7/10.95/12μm)
- **Inter-channel spatial co-registration: < 0.1 SSD**

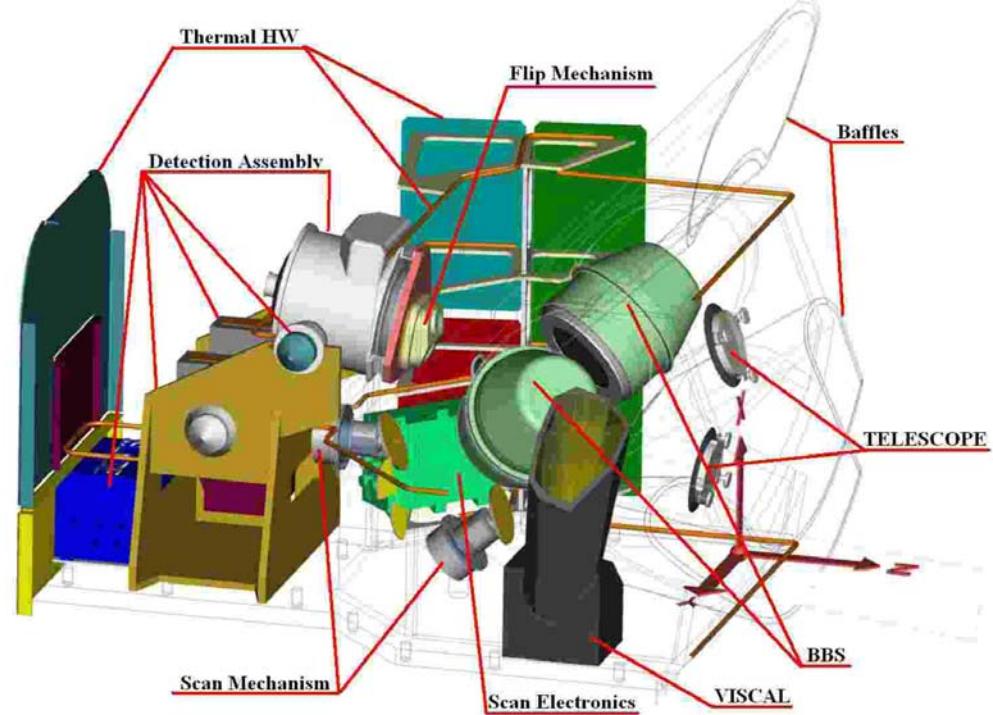
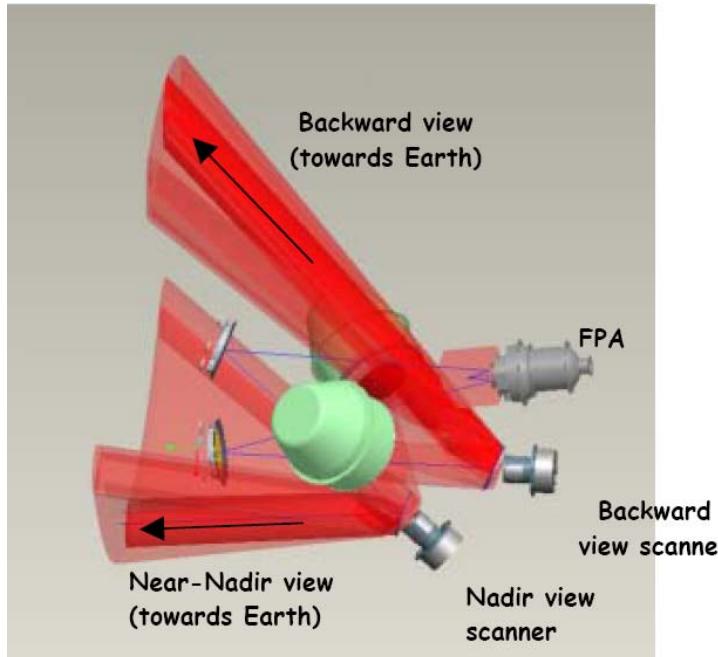


# SLSTR Instrument

- 2 Blackbodies
- 2 scan mirrors
- 1 flip mirror
- viscal
- Cooled detectors
- Dedicated fire channels



## SLSTR Instrument Principle

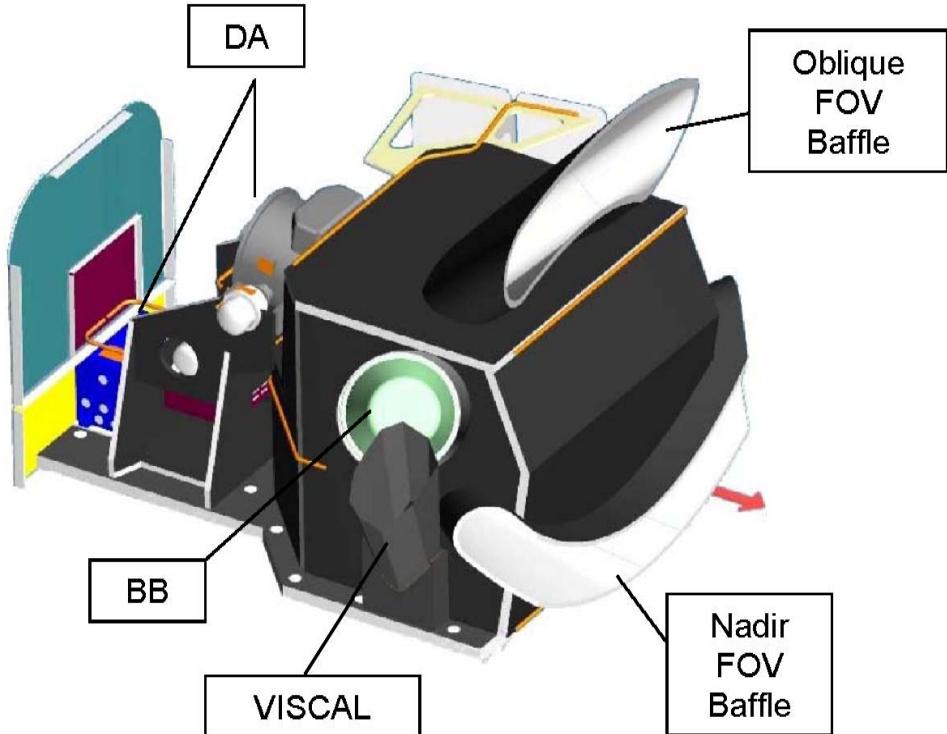


- dual view, each having its own scanner (flat scan mirrors)
- scan of 2 x Earth and calibration sources (BBS, VISCAL)
- views are seen by the front collecting and refocusing optics (Primary Mirrors)
- recombination optics to bring 2 optical paths into a single set of Focal Plane Assemblies (FPA) after a common field plane used as intermediate field stop
- FPA consists of a cryogenically cooled dewar, hosting the 6 (SW)IR and 3 VIS bands



## Technical:

- 7 AATSR & 2 additional bands (1.375 , 2.2 $\mu$ m)
- NEDT < 0.08K (TIR)
- SNR = 20 (solar @ L<sub>min</sub>)
- Absolute accuracy < 2-5%, 0.2K
- Radiom. Stability < 0.1%, 0.08K
- Polarisation sensitivity < 0.07



Compared to AATSR:

- 3 instead of 1 mechanism (2 scanners and one flip mechanism)
- More complex front-end and electronics
- New detector technology (multiple pixels)
- Trying to derive instrument uncertainty estimates

## Sea & Land Surface Bands

- absolute rad. accuracy (S1-S6) : <5% (EOL) <2% (BOL)
- absolute rad. accuracy (S7/8/9) : 0.2 K
- polarisation sensitivity < 0.07 (S1-S6) or < 0.10 (S7/8/9)
- stability (S1-S6): <0.1%
- stability (S7/8/9): <0.08K

| Band | $\lambda_{center}$ [ $\mu\text{m}$ ] | $\Delta\lambda$ [ $\mu\text{m}$ ] | SNR [-] / Ne $\Delta$ T [mK] | SSD [km] |
|------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|----------|
| S1   | 0.555                                | 0.02                              | 20                           | 0.5      |
| S2   | 0.659                                | 0.02                              | 20                           | 0.5      |
| S3   | 0.865                                | 0.02                              | 20                           | 0.5      |
| S4   | 1.375                                | 0.015                             | 20                           | 0.5      |
| S5   | 1.61                                 | 0.06                              | 20                           | 0.5      |
| S6   | 2.25                                 | 0.05                              | 20                           | 0.5      |
| S7   | 3.74                                 | 0.38                              | 80 mK                        | 1.0      |
| S8   | 10.95                                | 0.9                               | 80 mK                        | 1.0      |
| S9   | 12                                   | 1.0                               | 80 mK                        | 1.0      |

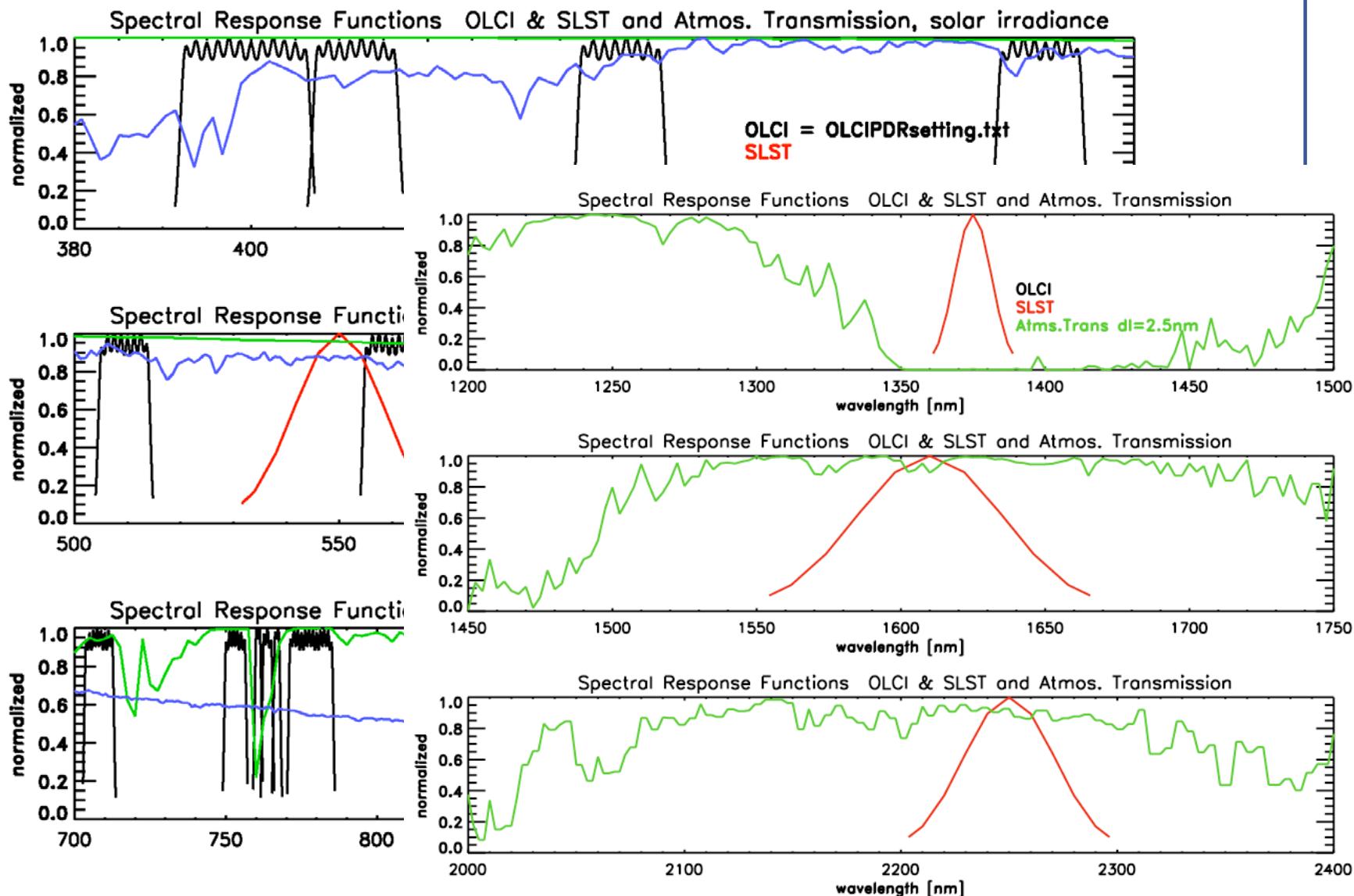
## Active Fire Bands

| Band | $\lambda_{center}$ [ $\mu\text{m}$ ] | $\Delta\lambda$ [ $\mu\text{m}$ ] | Tmax [K] | SSD [km] |
|------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|----------|
| F1   | 3.74                                 | 0.38                              | 500      | 1.0      |
| F2   | 10.95                                | 0.9                               | 400      | 1.0      |

AATSR heritage  
SLSTR new bands

final decision on F1 & F2  
implementation after PDR

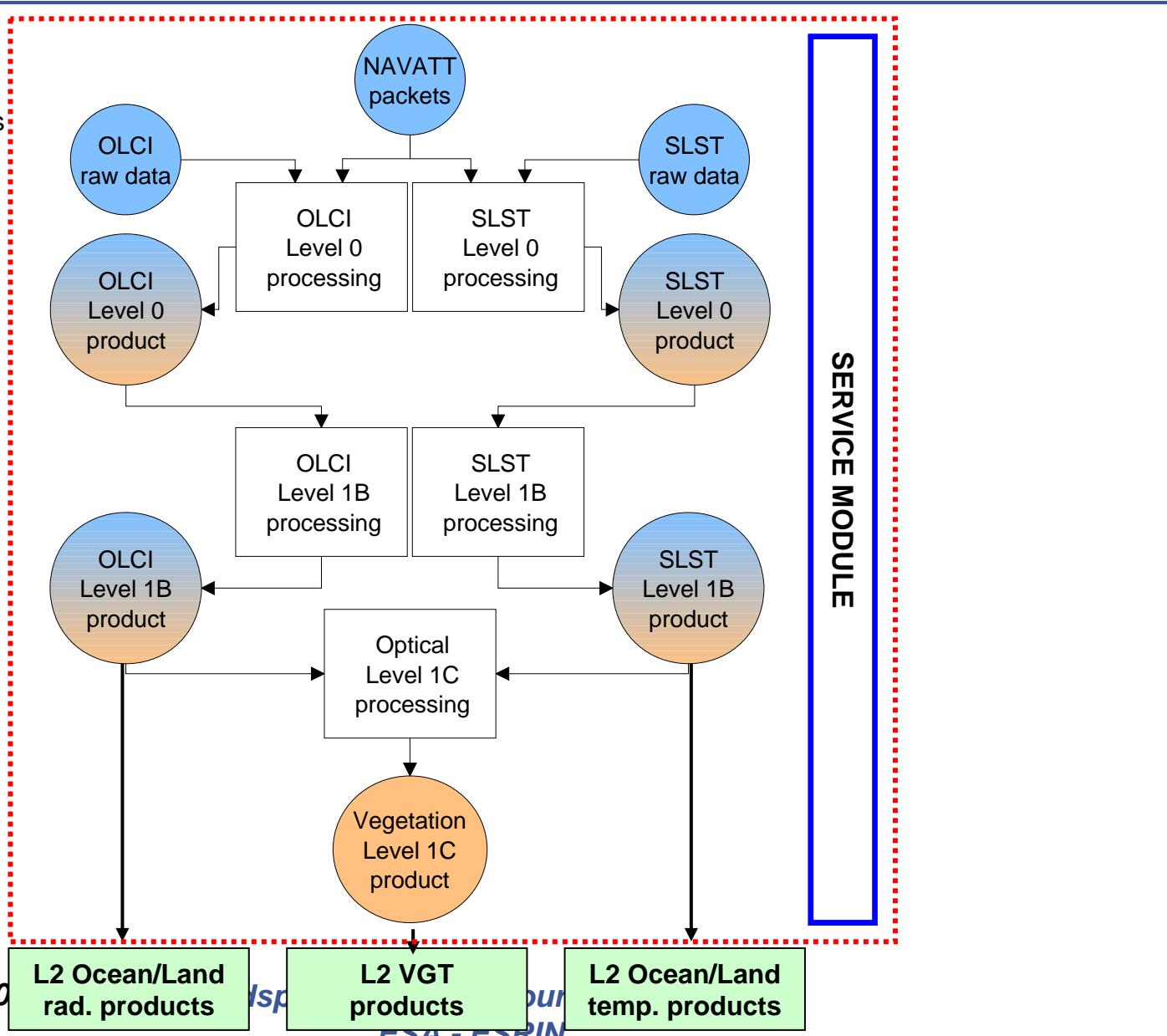
## OLCI/SLSTR solar bands



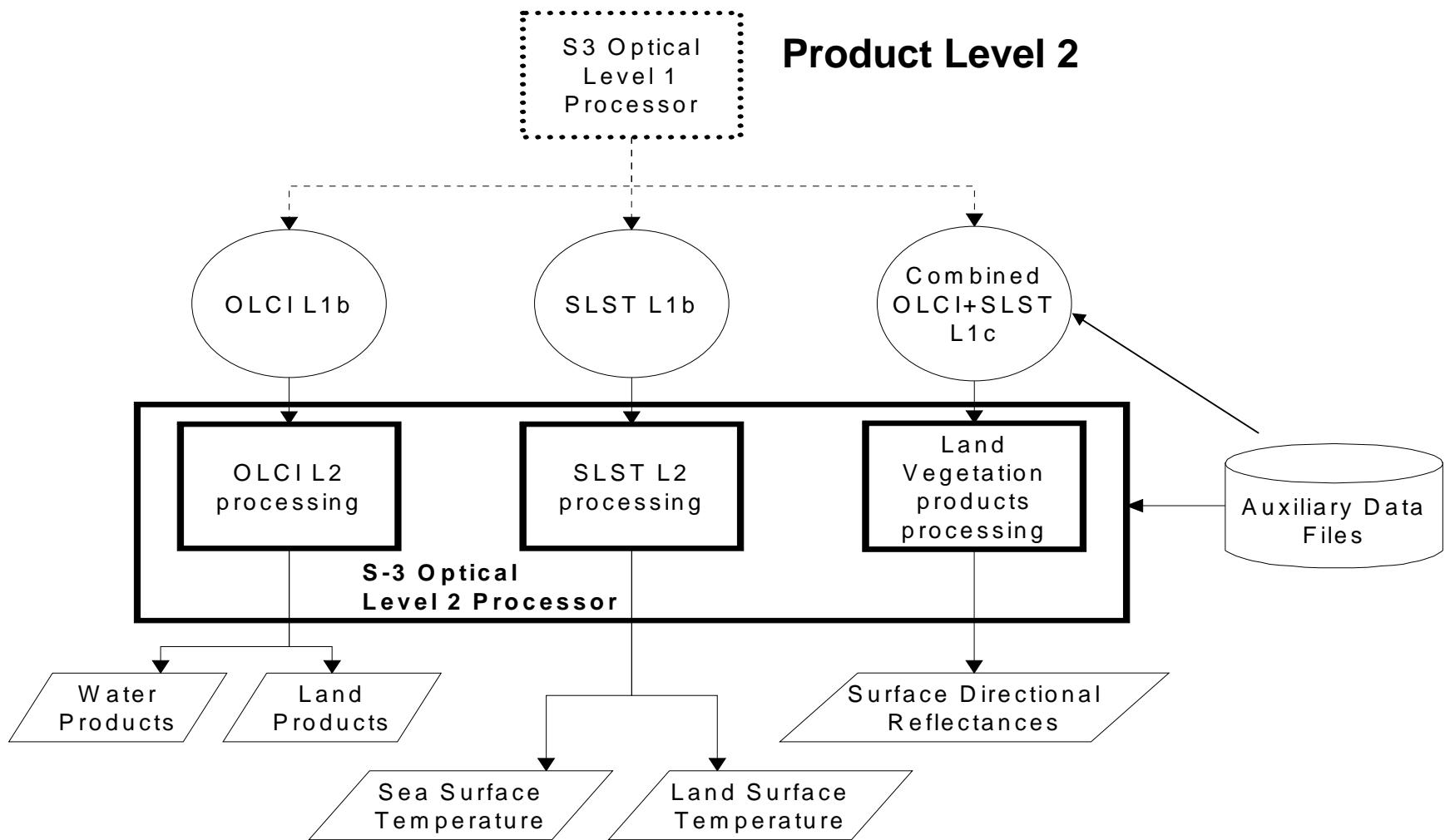
- To develop a prototype for the final operation processor generating Level 1-2 products

-- to test overall instrument performance:

-> part of a larger Instrument Performance Simulator



## Product Level 2

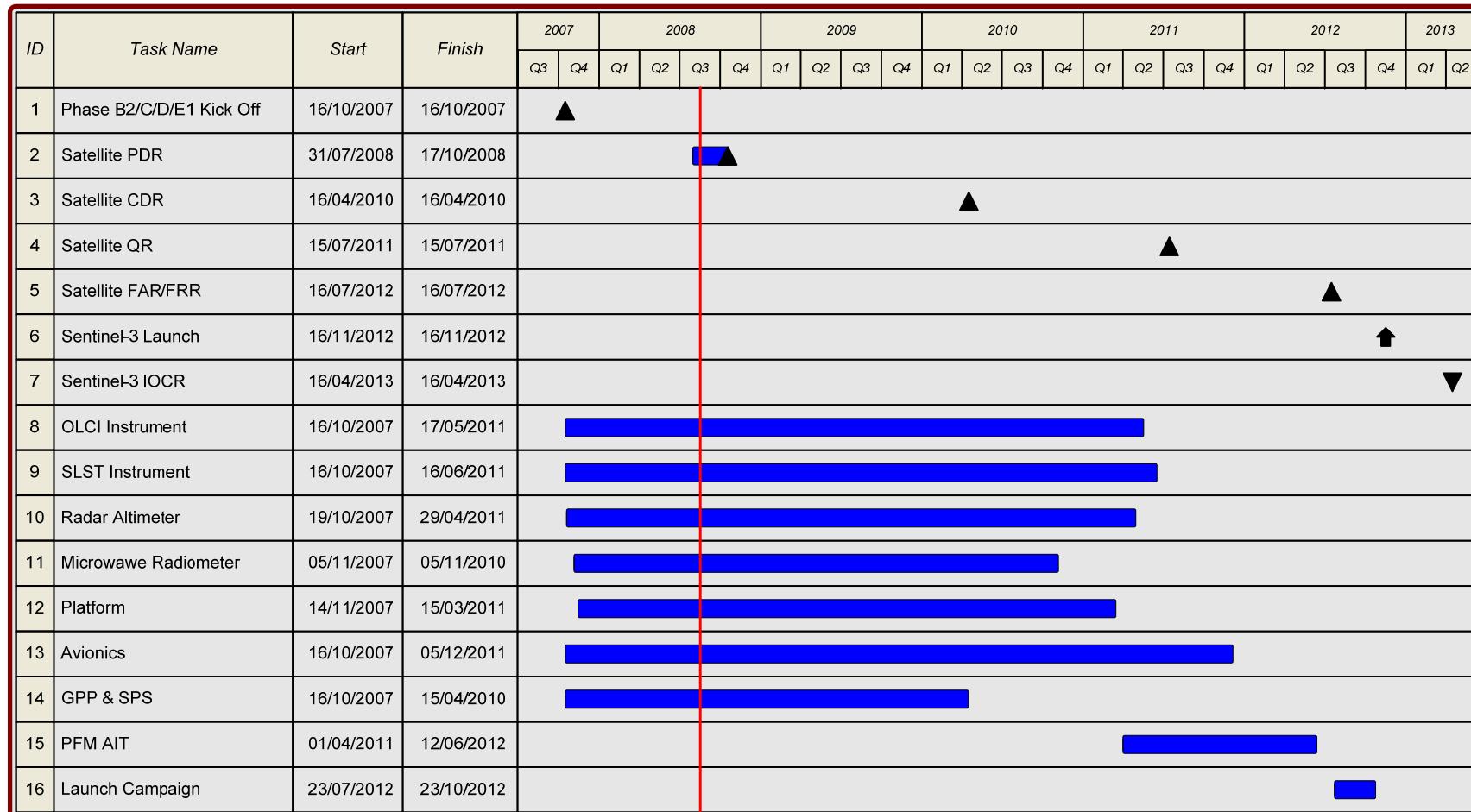


## Sentinel-3 Status: General

- **Sentinel-3 Prime Phase B2 Kicked-Off on 16<sup>th</sup> of October 2007**
  - All other Industrial Core and Key Partners (17) Kicked-Off by the end of November 2007
- Cooperation agreement between ESA and the EC signed in Feb 2008: approx 45% of Segment 1 (up to Sentinel's FAR) financed by EC
- Main Contract signed between ESA and TAS-F on 14<sup>th</sup> of April
- Definition of remaining procurements on-going
  - Need to setup about 110 subcontracts(!)
  - Process amended to reflect requirements coming from the

Preliminary Design Review ongoing  
review of all requirement for instruments and satellite platform

# Sentinel-3 Schedule Summary



## Summary

GMES Sentinel-3 is a series of operational satellites that will guarantee access to an uninterrupted flow of robust global data products.

Together with the other Sentinels, this mission will fulfil the monitoring needs of the GMES marine and land services and climate research communities.

The improved design of the optical payload and the respective data products will allow a data continuity the next decade to come.

Working on developing instrument level uncertainty estimates

### Next steps:

|               |                          |
|---------------|--------------------------|
| OLCI PDR:     | 15-Oct-2008 (close out)  |
| Sat PDR:      | End Oct-2008 (close out) |
| PDR of SLSTR: | End-2008 (in progress)   |
| Sat CDR:      | Apr-2010                 |
| Sat FAR:      | 2012                     |