



# Land Surface Temperature Monitoring LSTM Mission

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# The Sentinel family grows

From a family of 6

To a family of 12



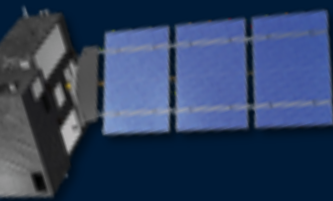


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Combating  
Climate Change

CO2M



LSTM



Food Security and  
Water Management

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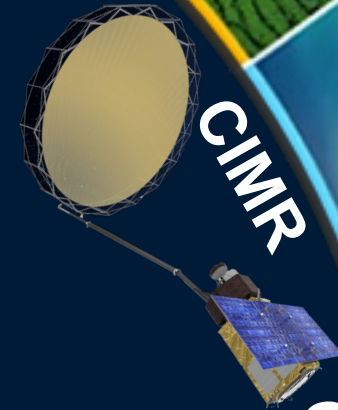
Monitoring Land  
and Natural Resources

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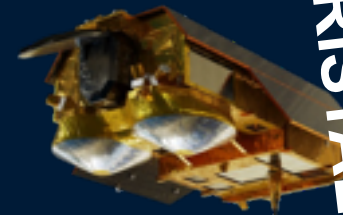


Strengthening  
Copernicus Space  
with the Sentinel  
Expansion Mission  
observations

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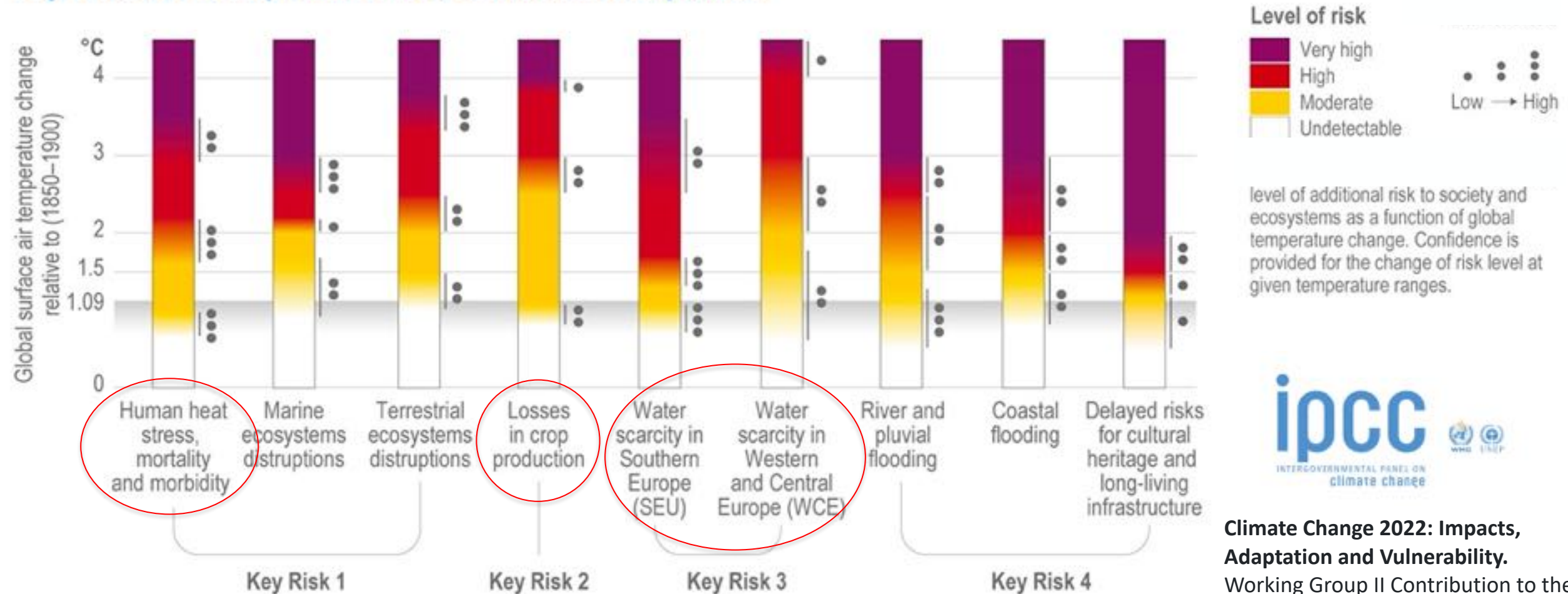


Safeguarding  
the Arctic



# Climate Change Impact & Adaptation

## Key risks for Europe under low to medium adaptation



Climate Change 2022: Impacts, Adaptation and Vulnerability. Working Group II Contribution to the IPCC Sixth Assessment Report

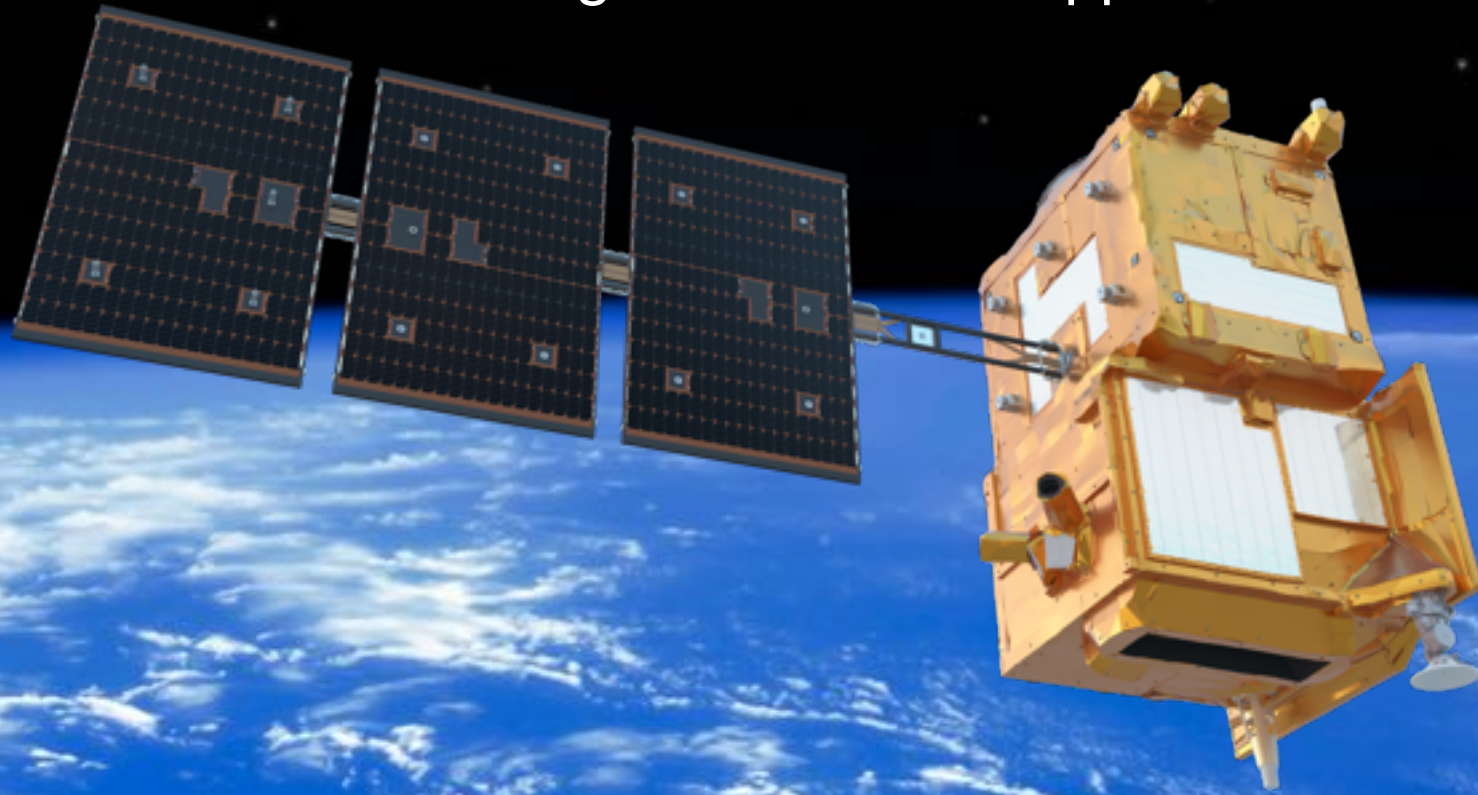
**3 Key Climate Risks**  
addressable by LSTM

# LSTM Mission Objective



## LSTM Mission Objective:

Provide high spatio-temporal resolution Thermal Infra-Red observations over land and coastal regions *in support of agriculture management services*, and a range of additional applications



# LSTM Mission Key Features & Requirements



Key requirement*	
Geometrical revisit	2 days/2 satellites
Local time	13:00 (Europe) & night observations
SSD	50 m (37m at nadir)
Spectral Bands	5 TIR, 4 VNIR, 2 SWIR
Nominal swath	687 km, at 651 km altitude
Acquisition system	Whiskbroom scanner
Geo-location L1c	0.5 SSD (GCP) / 1 SSD (without GCP)
MTF	0.2-0.3
Data latency (L2)	6-12 hours
NeDT	< 0.15 K
ARA	< 0.5 K

## User requirement\*\*

### Evapotranspiration (goal)

- Accuracy 15% [mm/day]
- Precision 5%
- Field scale [0.5 ha]
- Daily observations

### LST observations\*\*

- 50 meters resolution
- 1-3 days revisit
- 1-1.5 K LST accuracy

\* Copernicus LSTM Phase B2/C/D/E1 System Requirements Document

\*\*Mission Requirement Document V3

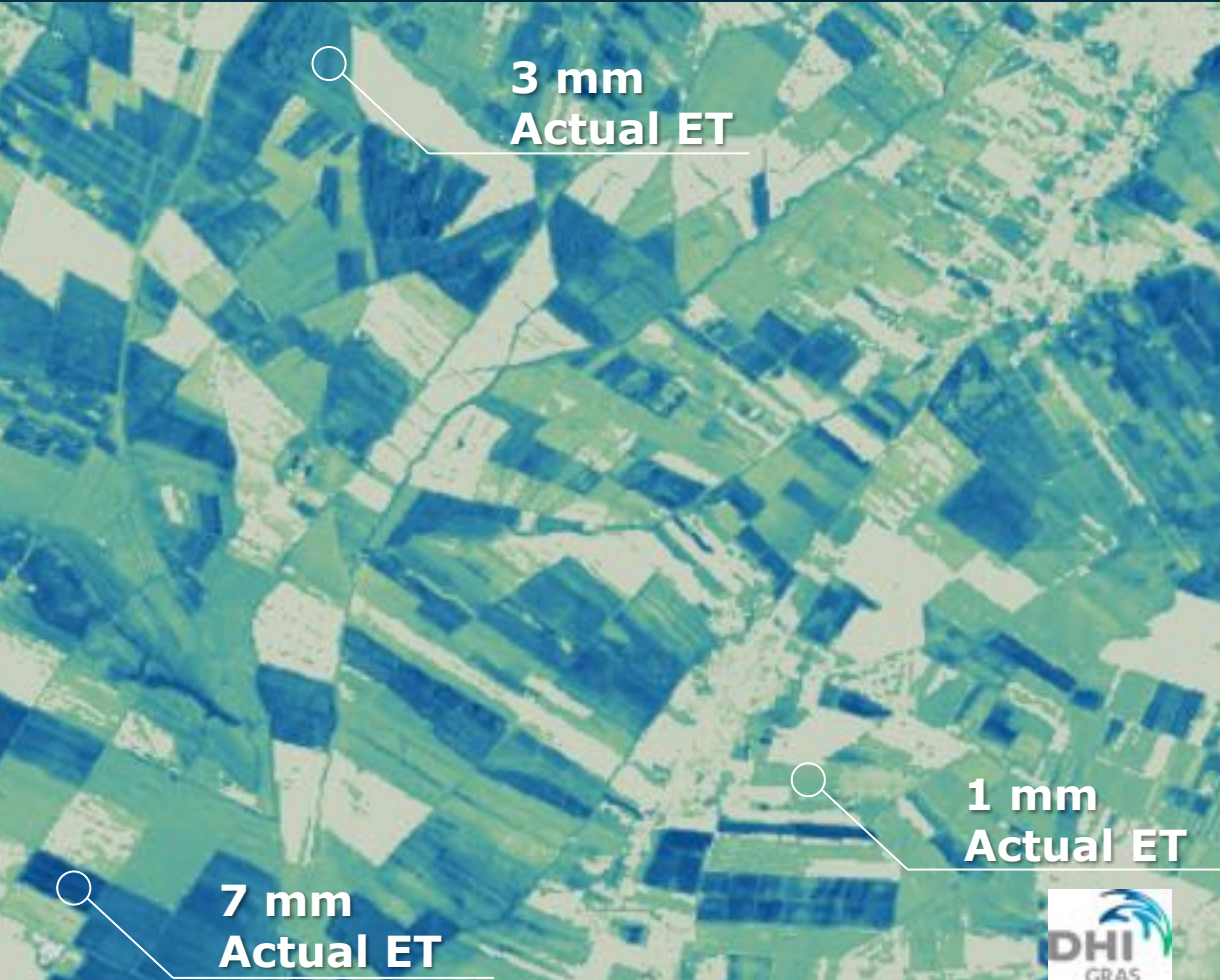
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# LSTM Applications & Services

Water Productivity  
for sustainable agriculture

Urban Planning  
for Urban Heat Island

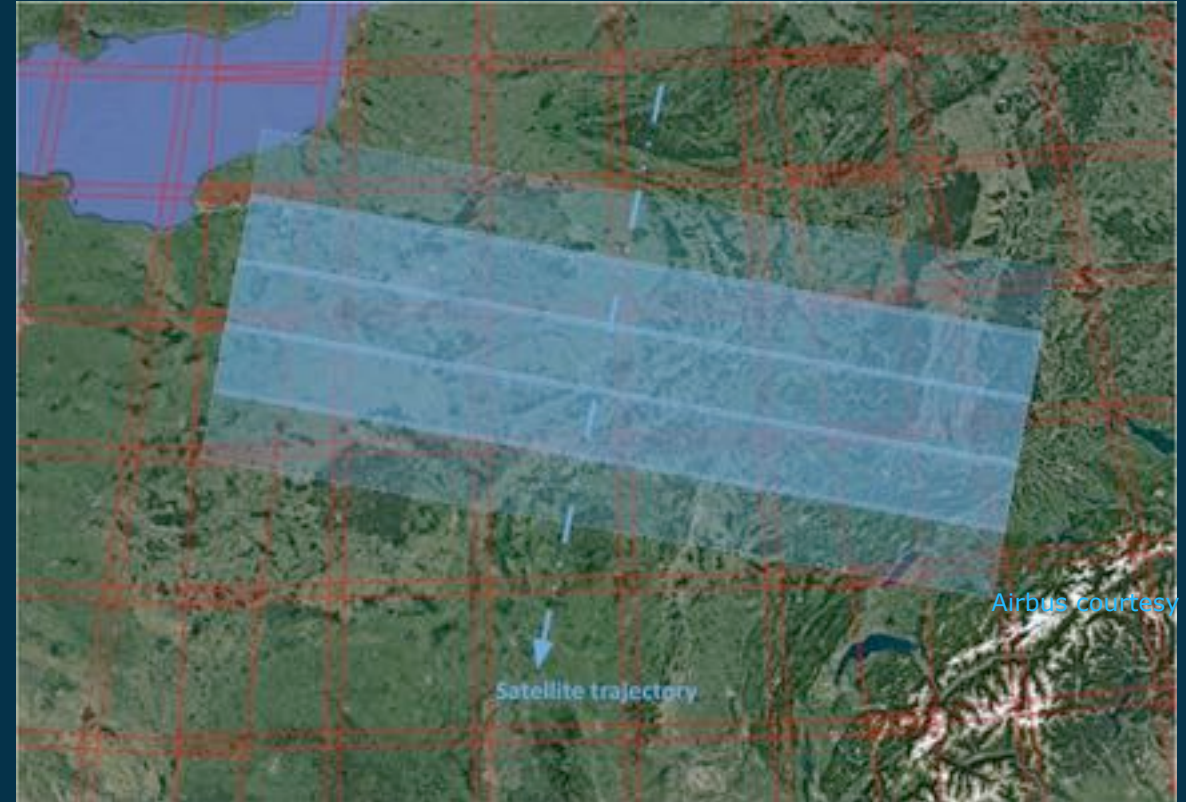


## The LSTM Level-1c products:

- Radiometrically & geometrically calibrated TOA radiance
- Top of atmosphere brightness temperature

## The LSTM Level-2a products:

- Land Surface Temperature
- Land Surface Emissivity per TIR spectral band
- Bottom of atmosphere surface reflectance
- Total Column of Water Vapor (intermediate product required for LST retrieval)
- Cloud mask (intermediate product provided as a quality flag)



## Maximum Data Latency

- Level-1c: 3 hours (goal) & 6 hours (threshold), highest priority over Europe and Africa.
- Level-2a (LST): 6 hours to 12 hours (TBC), highest priority over Europe and Africa.





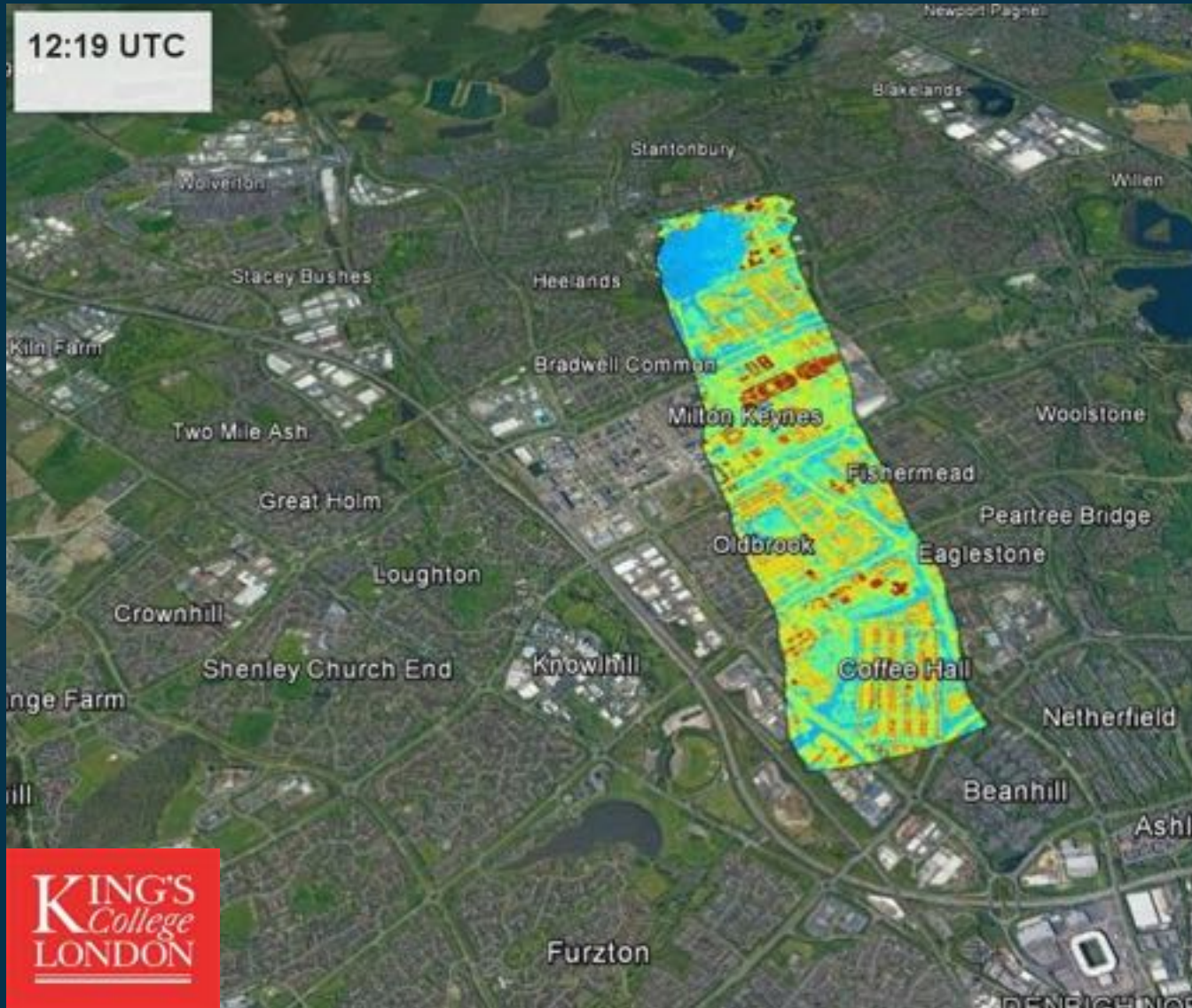
## Objectives:

- Supports LSTM, SBG & TRISHNA missions
- Directionality experiments
- Urban & nighttime overflights
- Links to GEWEX LIASE & Methane campaign
- Coordinated ECOSTRESS acquisitions
- Open data policy fostering community exploitation

## Campaigns:

- 2021: July/August
  - HyTES in UK and Sweden
  - TASI in Spain (LIASE)
- 2023: (foreseen with 2 airplanes)
  - focus on Italy & France
  - May & June





Milton Keynes 22/07/21

3 sets of parallel lines

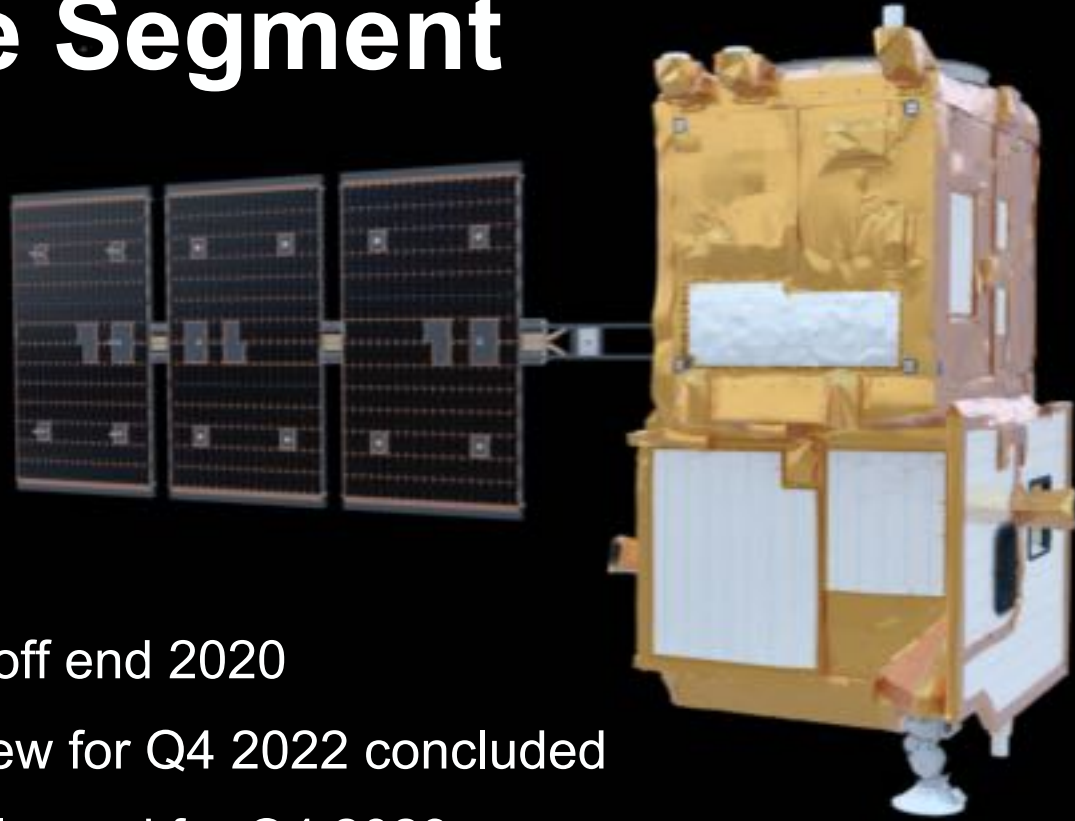
1. Along solar principal plane
2. Along the perpendicular to solar principal plane
3. Along LSTM proposed orbital path

Parallel lines designed to have measurements over target at: nadir,

- +6, -6,
- +12, -12,
- +15, -15,
- +18, -18 degrees VZA

Cloud-free weather requirements

# LSTM Space Segment



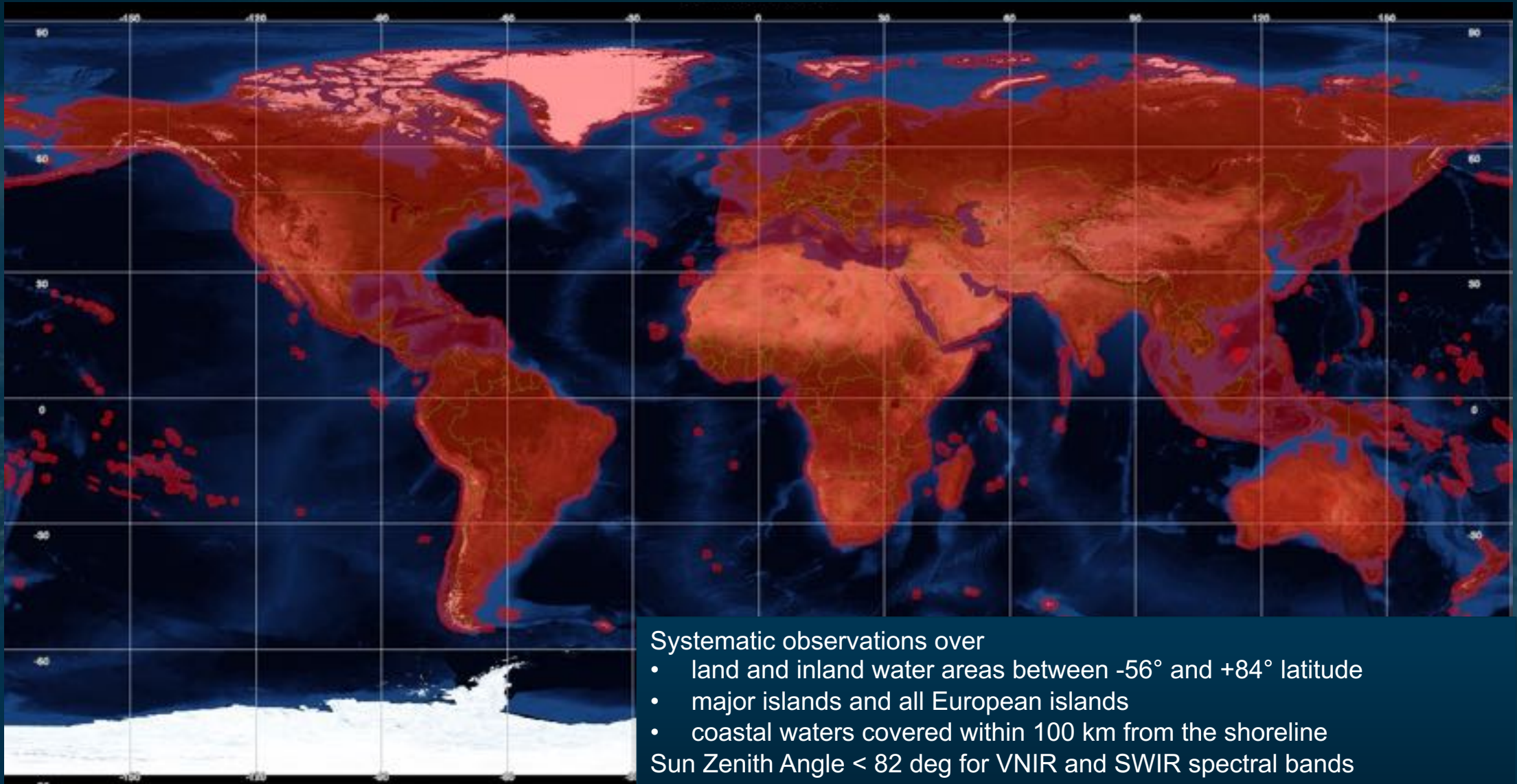
- LSTM phase B2 Kicked-off end 2020
- Preliminary Design Review for Q4 2022 concluded
- Critical Design Review planned for Q4 2023
- Prototype Flight Model QAR: End 2028

# LSTM Mission Constellation

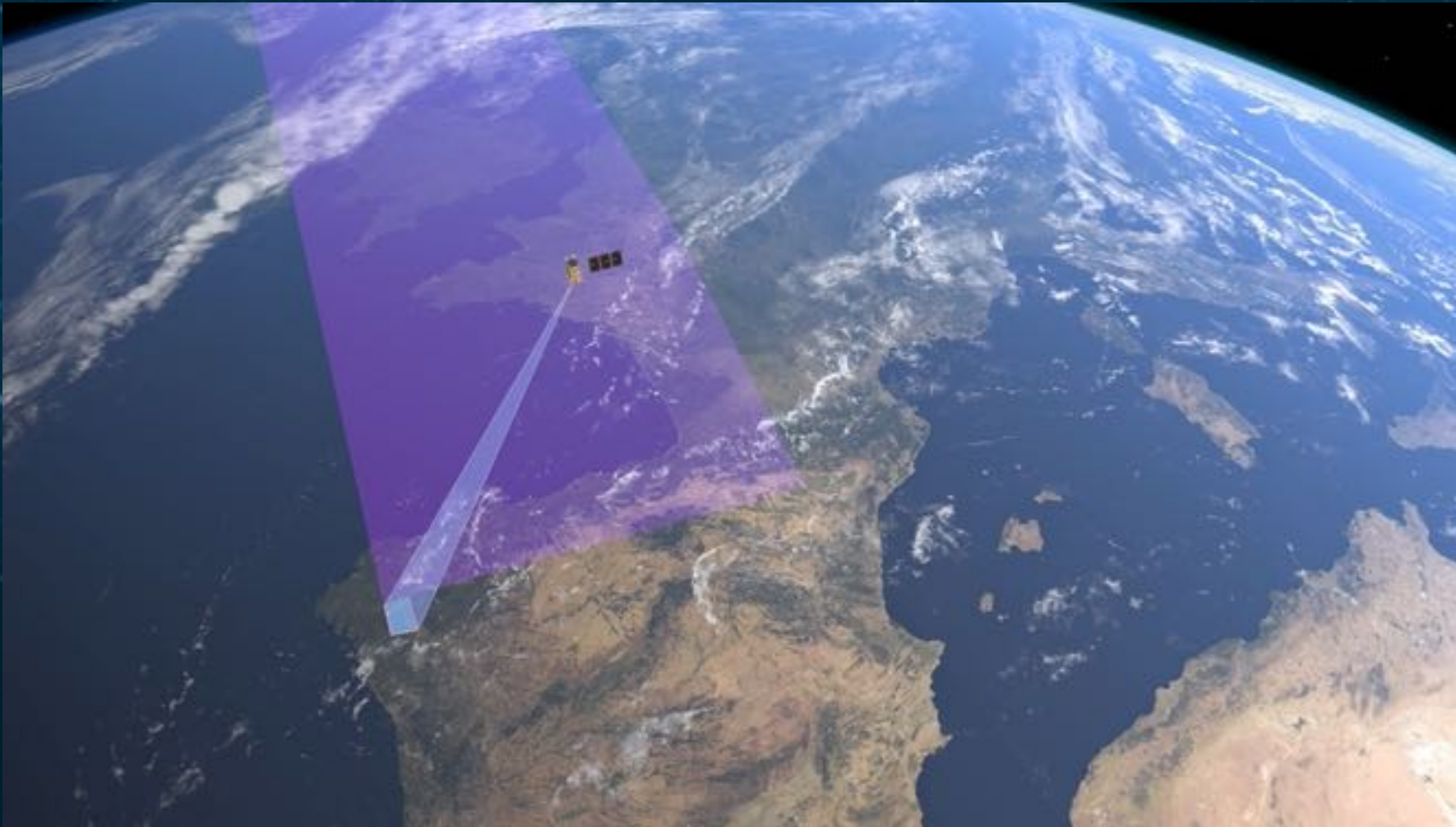


- 2 satellites
- MLST 12:30 at descending node
- Altitude ~ 651Km
- Revisit time 2 days
- SSD 50 m (37 at nadir)
- Geolocation accuracy, 25 m (with GCPs, 50 otherwise)
- Elevation angle 27.7 deg
- Max OZA ~ 30 deg

# LSTM Acquisition Mask



# Wiskbroom acquisition concept

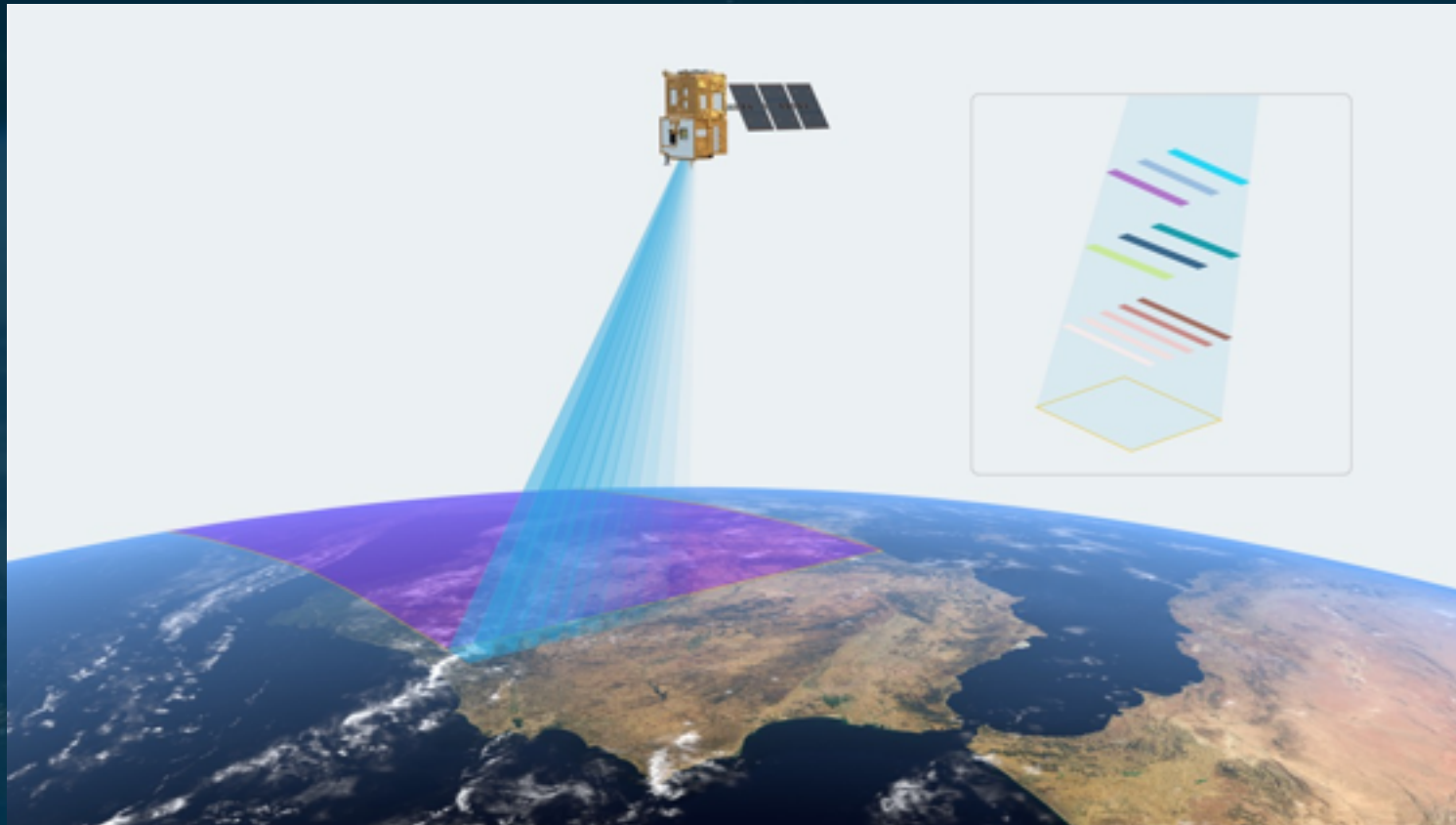


Picture: The LSTM instrument: design, technology and performance Francois Bernard et al. ICSSO conference 2022



Instantaneous Field of View

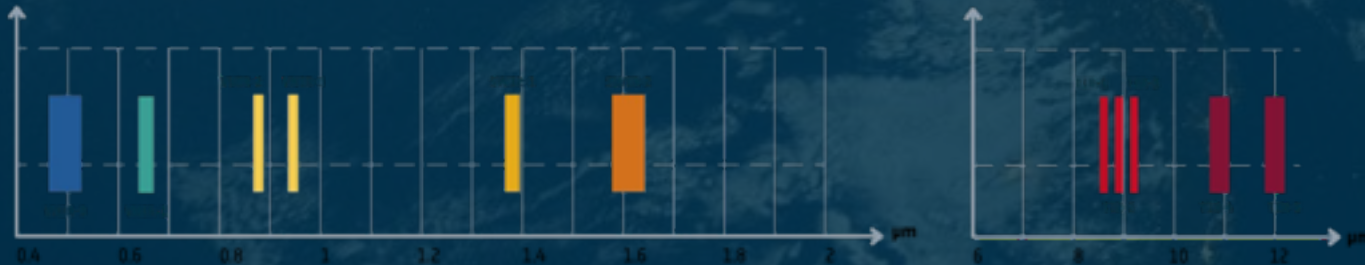
Total Swath ~ 727 km swapped in ~4.5 seconds, Useful swath ~ 670 km



- 11 Spectral Bands: one aperture 3 optical paths
- On board calibration: Deep space port, Black body
- MTF 0.2 – 0.3
- NeDT < 0.15k @ 300K
- ARA 0.5 K

VNIR0	0.490 $\mu\text{m}$
VNIR1	0.665 $\mu\text{m}$
VNIR2	0.865 $\mu\text{m}$
VNIR3	0.945 $\mu\text{m}$
SWIR1	1.380 $\mu\text{m}$
SWIR2	1.610 $\mu\text{m}$

TIR1	8.600 $\mu\text{m}$
TIR2	8.900 $\mu\text{m}$
TIR3	9.200 $\mu\text{m}$
TIR4	10.900 $\mu\text{m}$
TIR5	12.000 $\mu\text{m}$



# INDUSTRIAL CONSORTIUM



## AIRBUS Defense and Space S.A.U (ES)

is the Satellite prime with ~30 lower level subcontractors for the platform units and system support



## Supported by AIRBUS Defense and Space GmbH (DE)

for platform engineering support and common units procurement



## AIRBUS SAS (FR)

is the Instrument Prime, with ~30 lower level subcontractors for the instrument units

SME's: 36% of the total consortium





## Three missions harmonized as one

- Long Data Series
- Improved Revisit → up to daily



TRISHNA

SGB

LSTM - A

LSTM - B

## Synergies:

- Product Harmonization, ATBDs
- Orbit Coordination
- In-flight inter-comparison
- Common CAL/VAL approach
- Airborne Campaigns



Thank you for your attention

