

Current & Future ESA Earth Observation Missions and Programmes

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Earth Observation Programmes

The infographic illustrates the growth of Earth observation satellite capabilities over time. It features a central timeline with satellite icons and labels, set against a background of Earth's horizon and orbital paths. The timeline is divided into sections for different years: 2010, 2015, 2020, 2025, and 2030. Satellites are color-coded: green for operational, blue for under development, and orange for planned or future missions. The Sentinel and MetOp series are the most prominent, showing a clear progression from initial launches to a large constellation of satellites. Other notable missions include Proba-1, GOCE, SMOS, CryoSat, Swarm, Aeolus, EarthCARE, Biomass, FLEX, Seosat, and MTG-I through MTG-S2. A large text overlay in the top right corner states '28 under development' and '13 in operation', emphasizing the scale of the current and planned satellite fleet.

2010

Proba-1, GOCE, SMOS, CryoSat

2015

Meteosat 10 (MSG), MetOp-B, Sentinel-1A, Sentinel-2A, Sentinel-1B, Sentinel-2B, Sentinel-3A, Sentinel-3B, Sentinel-5p, Aeolus, EarthCARE, Biomass, FLEX, Sentinel-1C, Sentinel-1D, Sentinel-6A, Sentinel-6B, Sentinel-2C, Sentinel-2D, Sentinel-3C, Sentinel-3D

2020

MetOp-C, Sentinel-5A, MetOp-SG-A1, MetOp-SG-B1, MTG-I

2025

MTG-I2, Sentinel-4A, MTG-S1

2030

Sentinel-4B, MTG-S2, MTG-I3, MetOp-SG-B2

28 under development

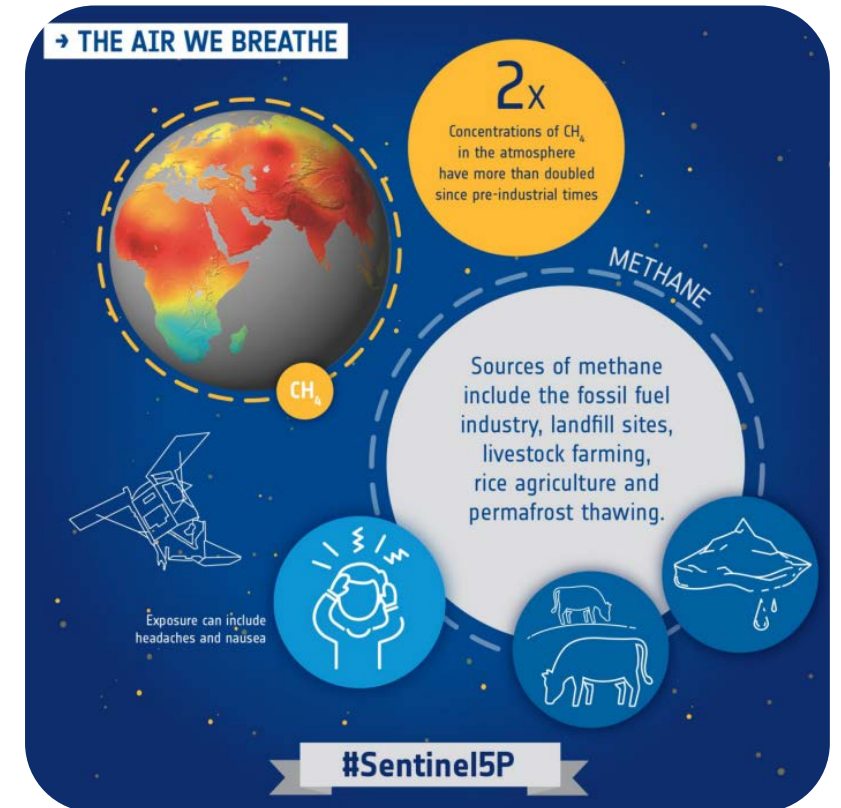
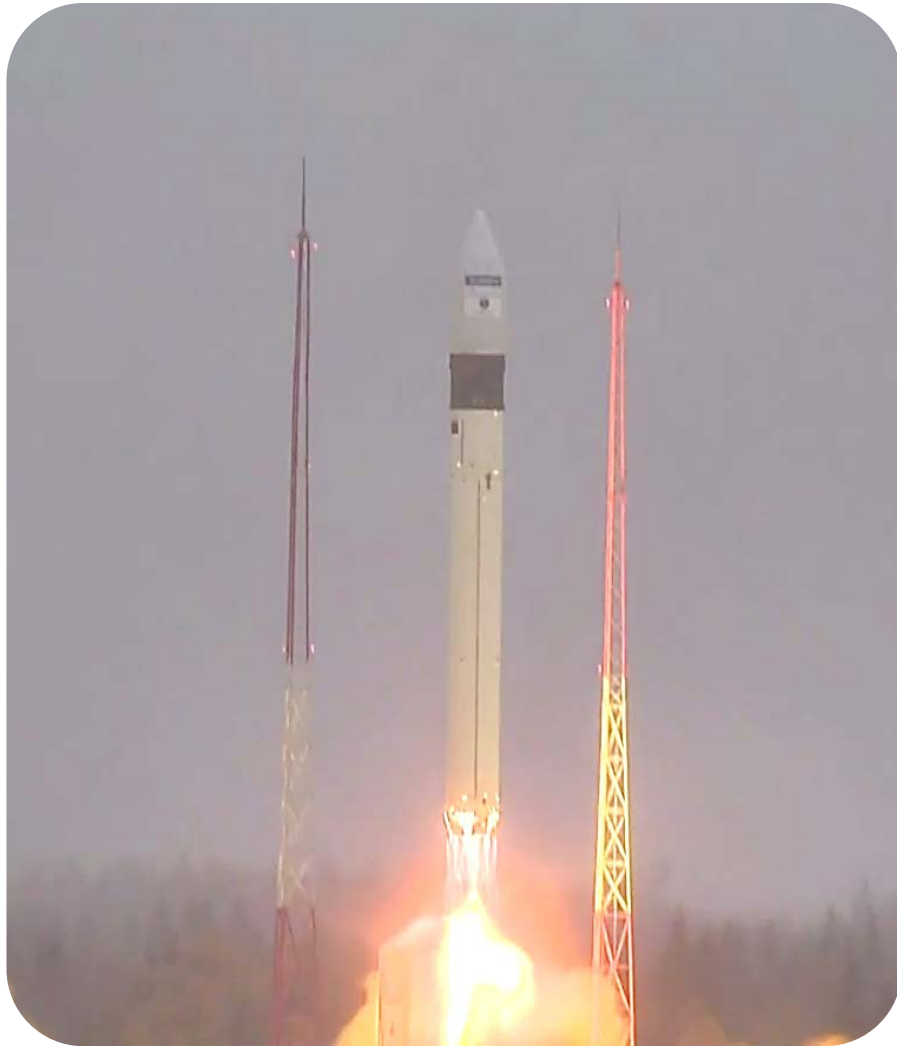
13 in operation

Meteorology

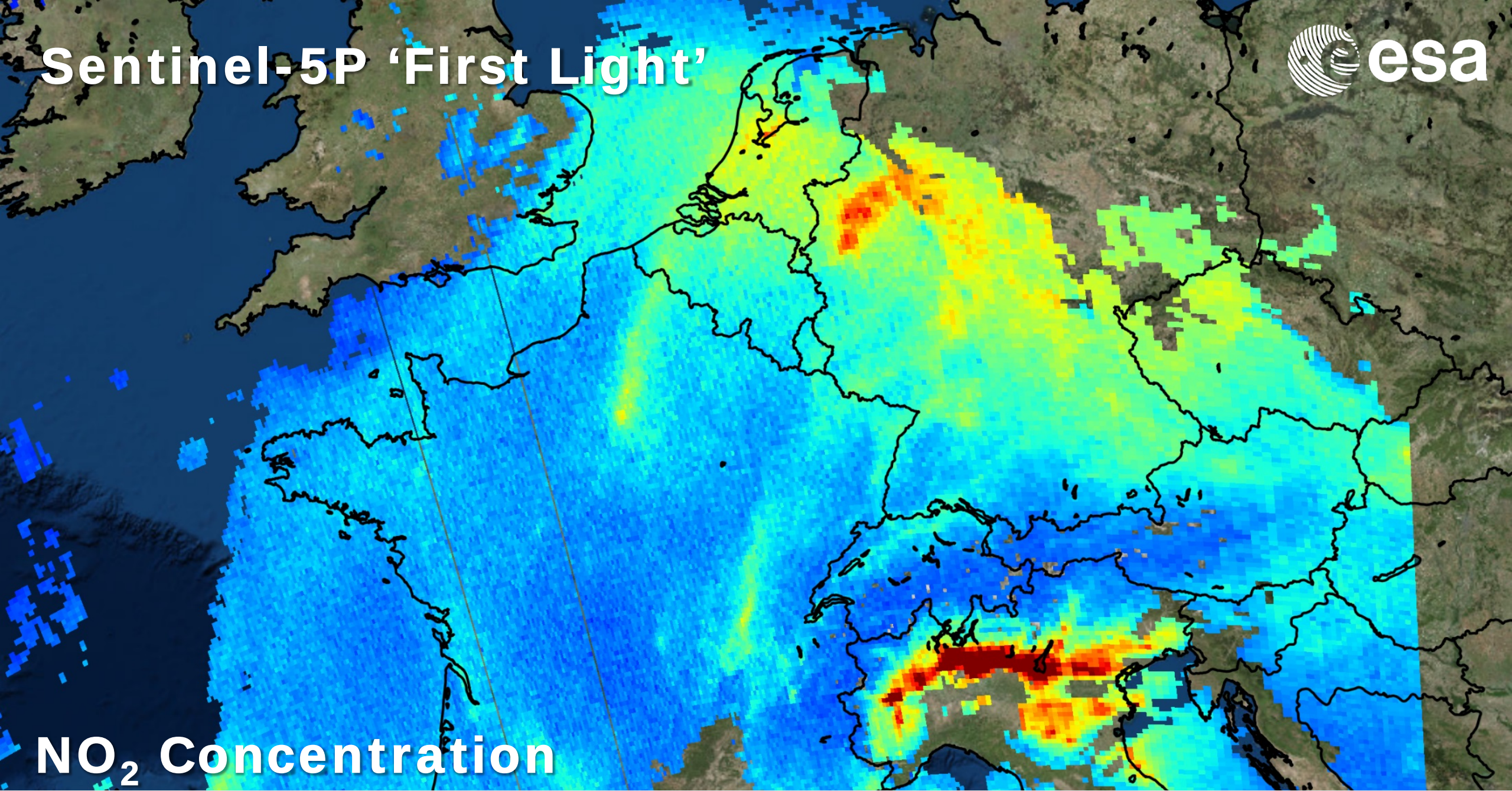


Successful Launch Sentinel-5P

13 October 2017 - 11:27 CEST
Rokot Launcher, Plesetsk Cosmodrome



Sentinel-5P 'First Light'



NO₂ Concentration



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Launch Sentinel-3B

Plesetzsk

25 April 2018



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Sentinel-3B – Antarctic Sunset



First Image Ocean and Land Colour Instrument
7 May 2018



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Sentinel Status



S-1



Radar

A

3 Apr. 2014

B

25 Apr. 2016

C

2022/23

D

> 2022/23

S-2



High Res.
Optical

A

23 Jun. 2015

B

6 Mar. 2017

C

2022/23

D

> 2022/23

S-3



Medium Res.
Optical &
Altimetry

A

16 Feb. 2016

B

25 Apr. 2018

C

2023

D

> 2023

S-4



Atmospheric
Chemistry
(GEO)

A

2022

B

2027

S-5P



Atmospheric
Chemistry
(LEO)

A

13 Oct. 2017

S-5



Atmospheric
Chemistry
(LEO)

A

2021

B

2027

C

> 2027

S-6



Altimetry

A

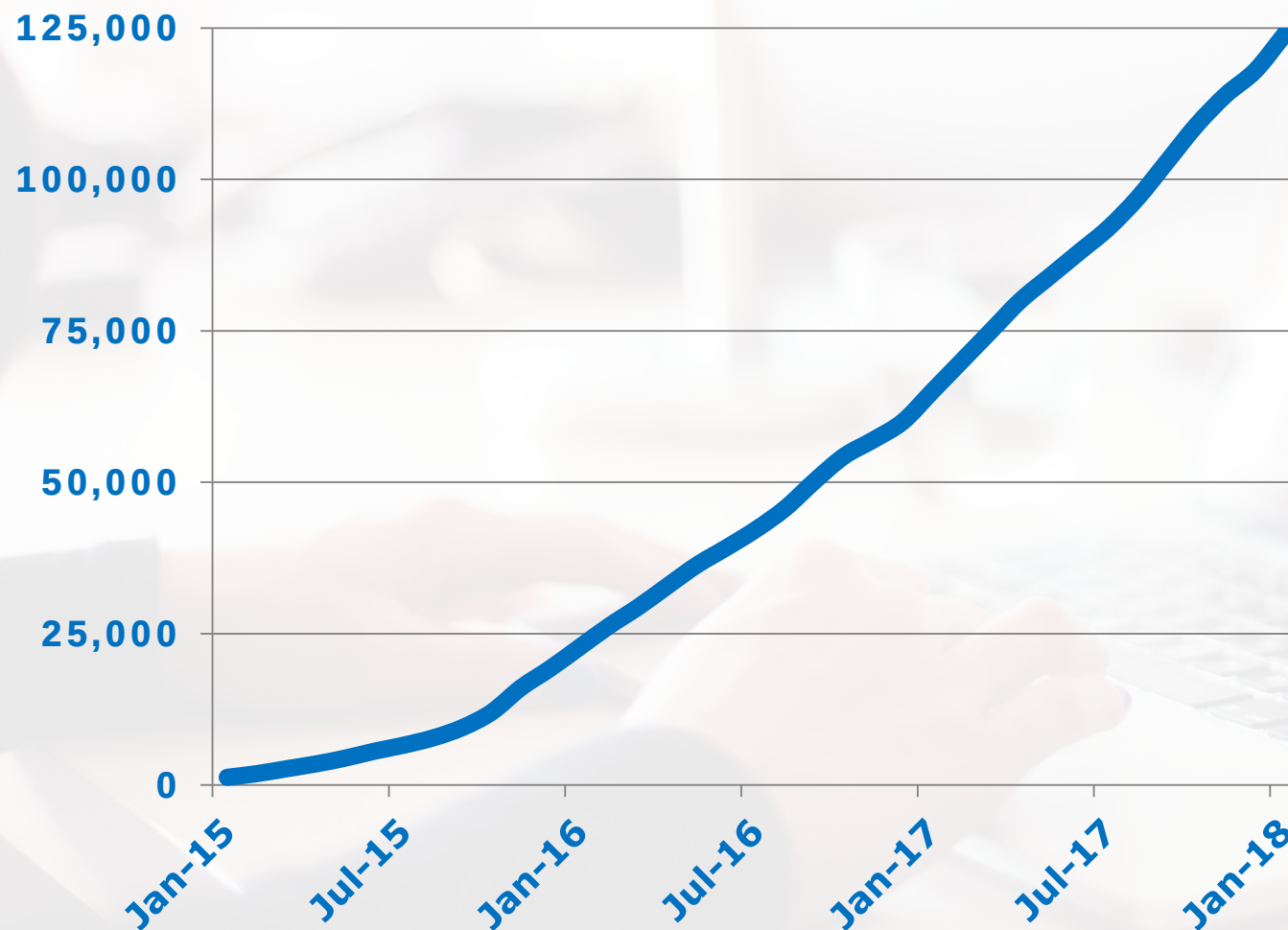
2020

B

2025



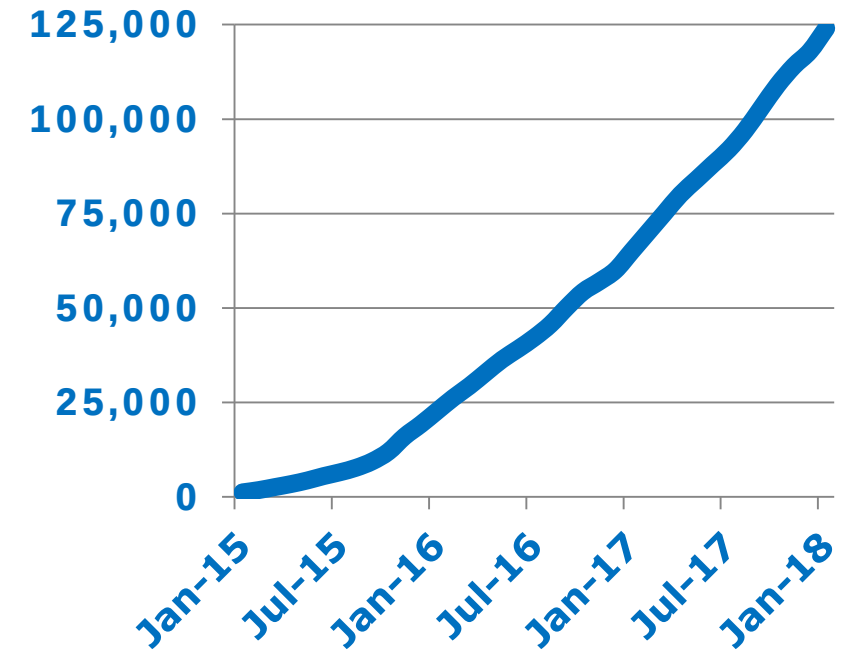
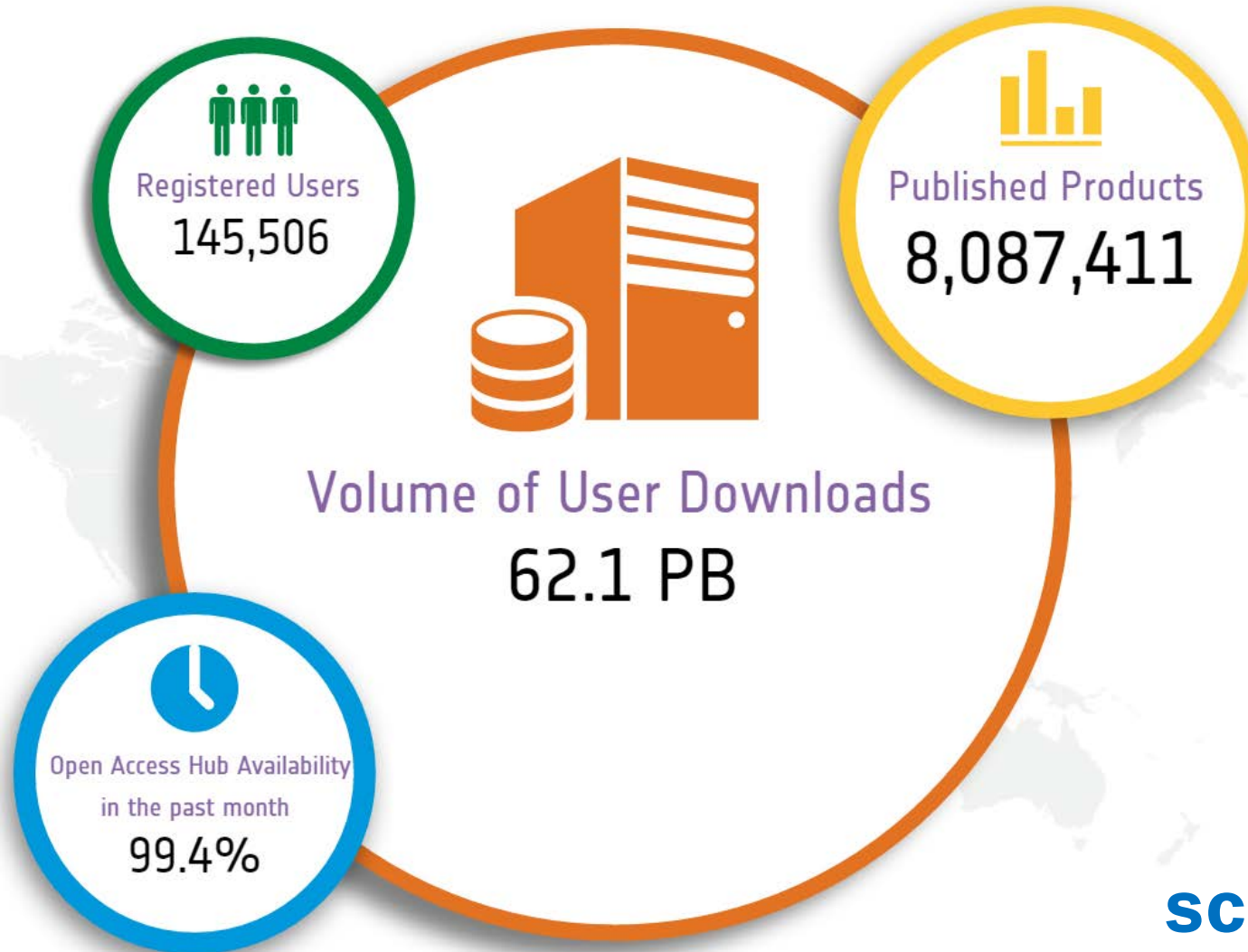
Registered Sentinel Users



Copernicus User Uptake

The real number of users is much higher but unknown due to the free, full & open data policy.

Sentinel Open Access Data Hub



Statistics on 24 May 2018

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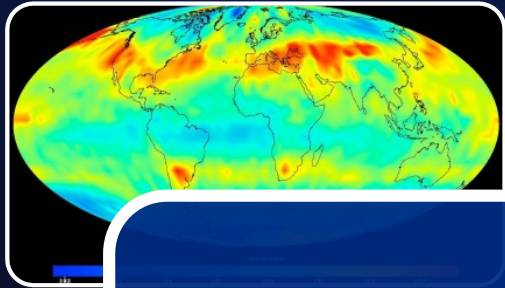
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Sentinel Expansion (7 to 12)



High Priority Candidate Missions

Applications



Anthropogenic
CO₂

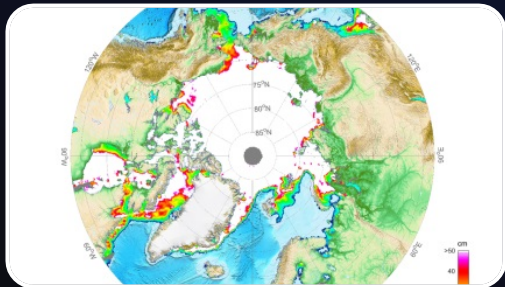
Climate Change
(Causes)

Status: Phase A/B1 system studies



Passive Microwave
Imaging

Sea Surface
Temperature & Sea Ice
Concentration

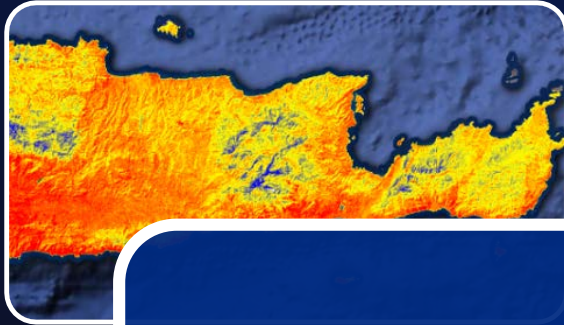


Sentinel Expansion (7 to 12)



High Priority Candidate Missions

Applications



High Resolution
Land Surface

Agriculture & Urban
Management Services

Status: Phase A/B1 system studies



L-band
SAR

Soil, Vegetation, Food
Security & Ground Motion

Science: Earth Explorers



GOCE 2009 – 2013

SMOS 2009 – Present

Cryosat 2010 – Present

Swarm 2013 – Present

Aeolus 2018

EarthCARE 2021

Biomass 2022

FLEX 2022



Aeolus



Launch 21 Aug. 2018

Wind Mission
First ever UV LIDAR in Space



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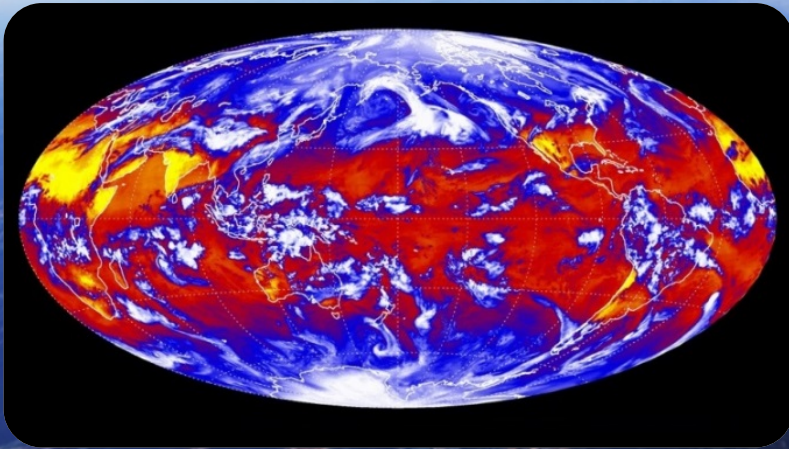
Earth Explorer 9 and beyond



Earth Explorer 9: launch around 2025

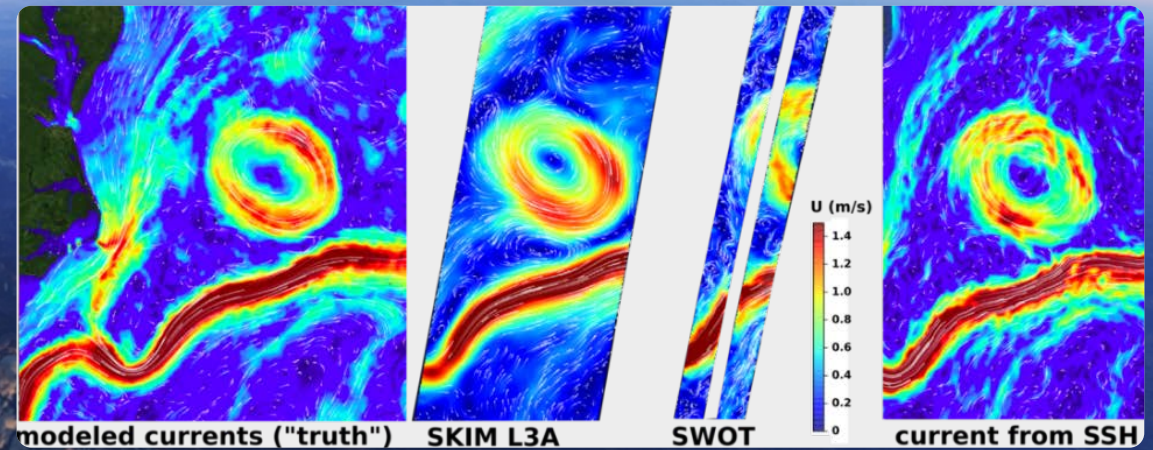
FORUM

Greenhouse Effect / Climate Change



SKIM

Ocean Surface Currents

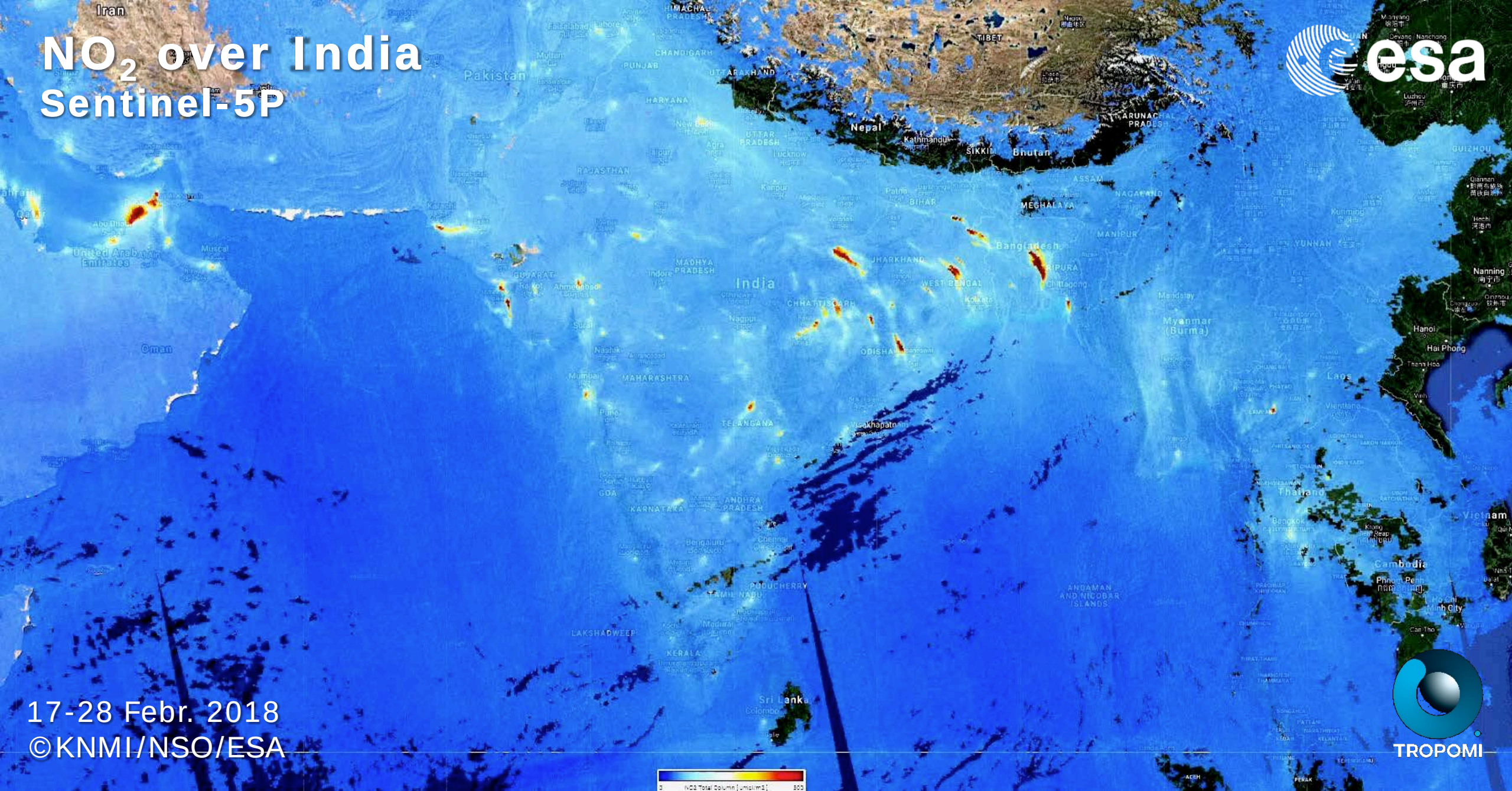


Earth Explorer 10

- 21 proposals under evaluation
- 3 candidates for Phase 0 selection in September 2018

NO₂ over India

Sentinel-5P

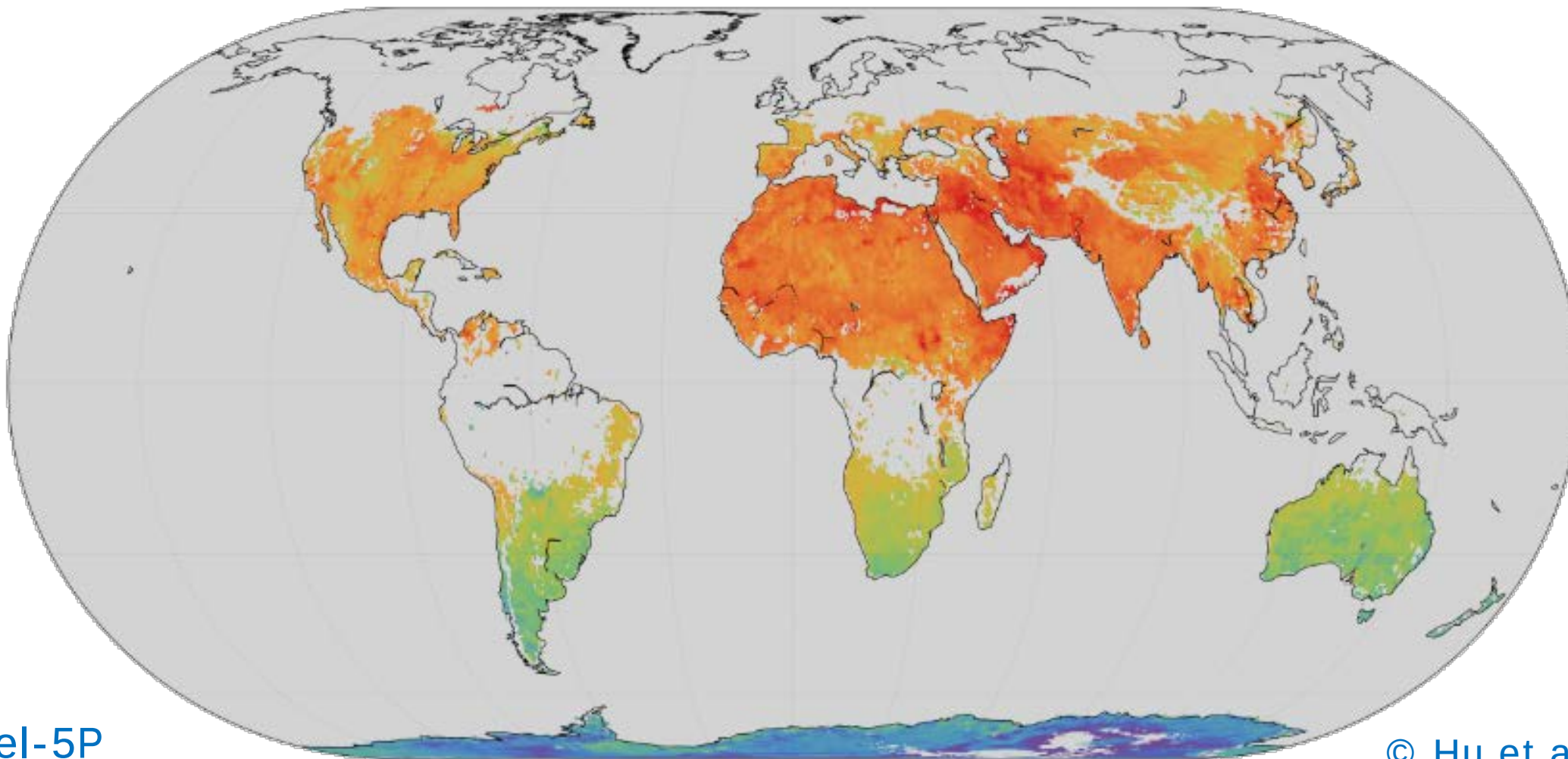


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Methane – Global View

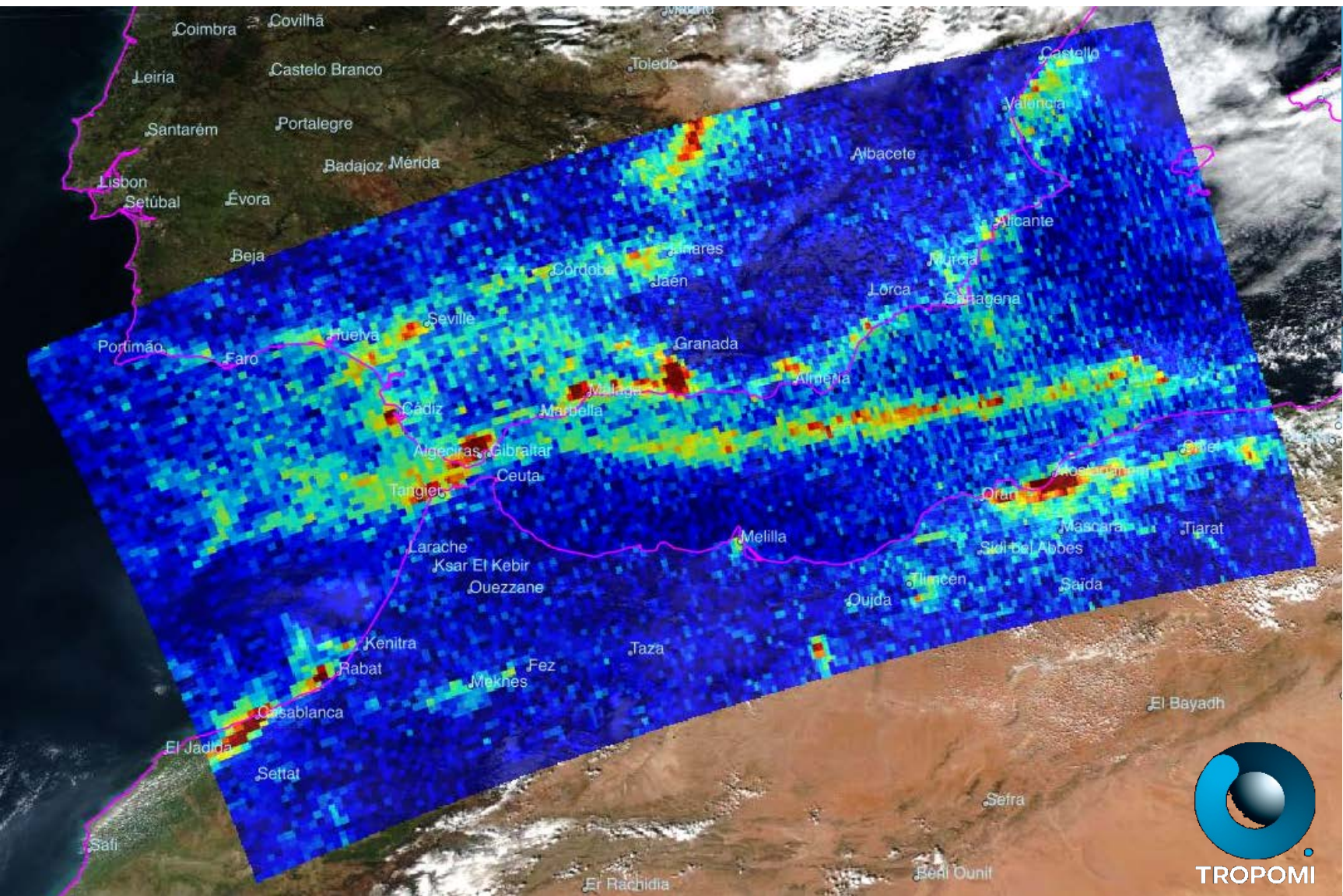


Sentinel-5P
Average 12 Nov. - 30 Dec. 2017

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Sentinel-5P – New Data



NO₂ Concentrations
Strait of Gibraltar

Sentinel-5P
20 February 2018

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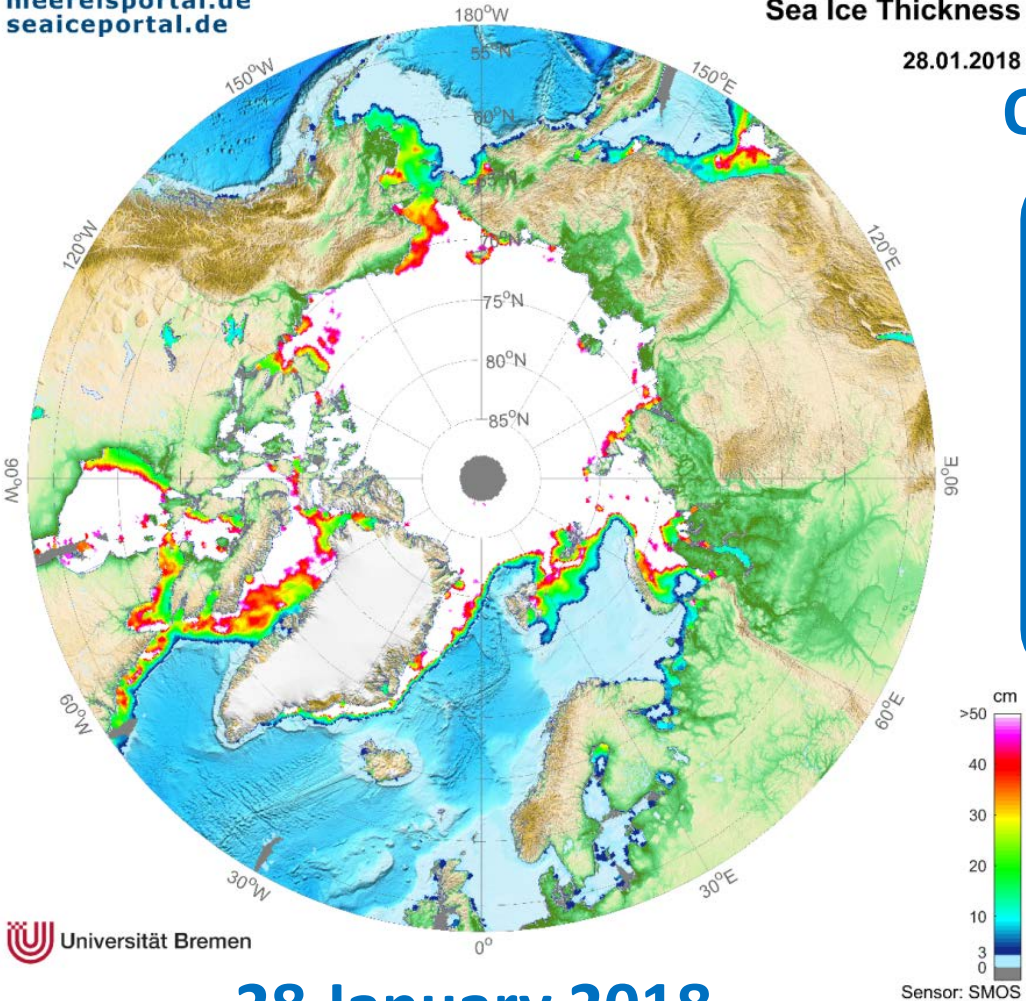


SMOS: Sea Ice Thickness



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Sea Ice Thickness
28.01.2018

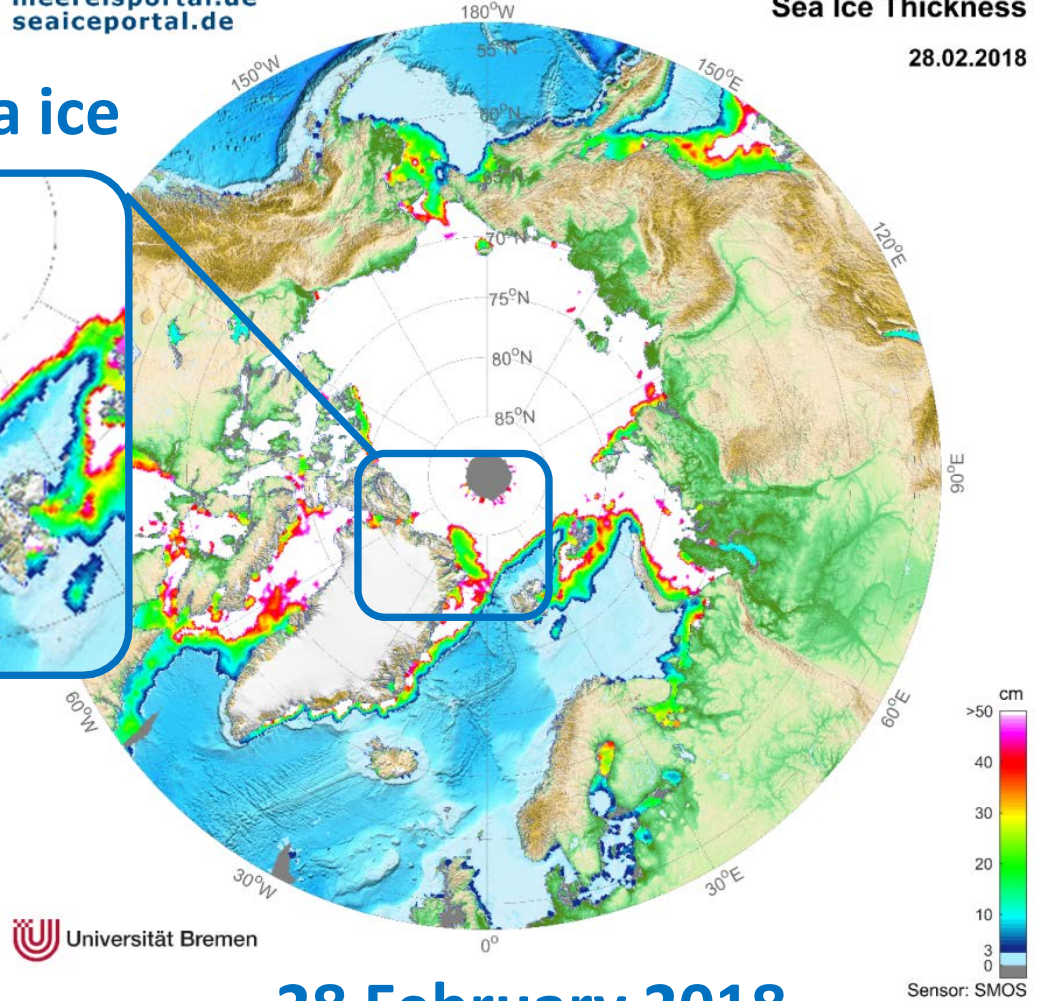
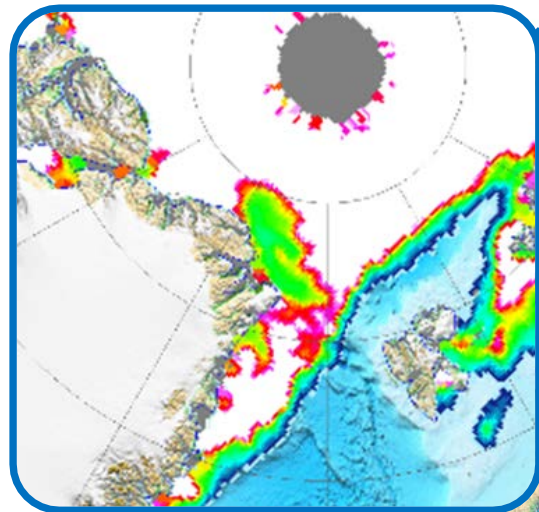


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Sea Ice Thickness
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Opening of sea ice



28 February 2018



Glacier Decline

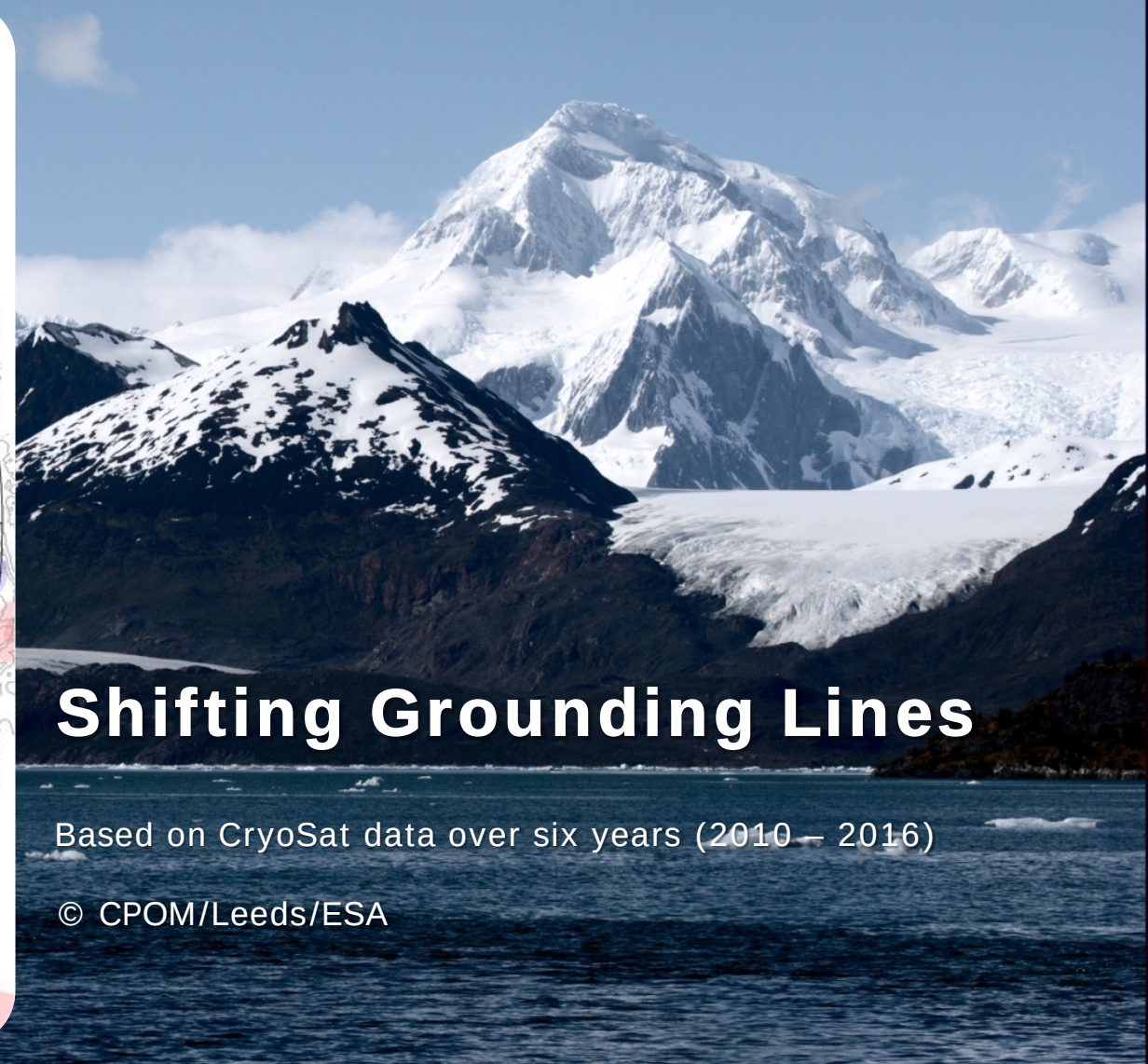
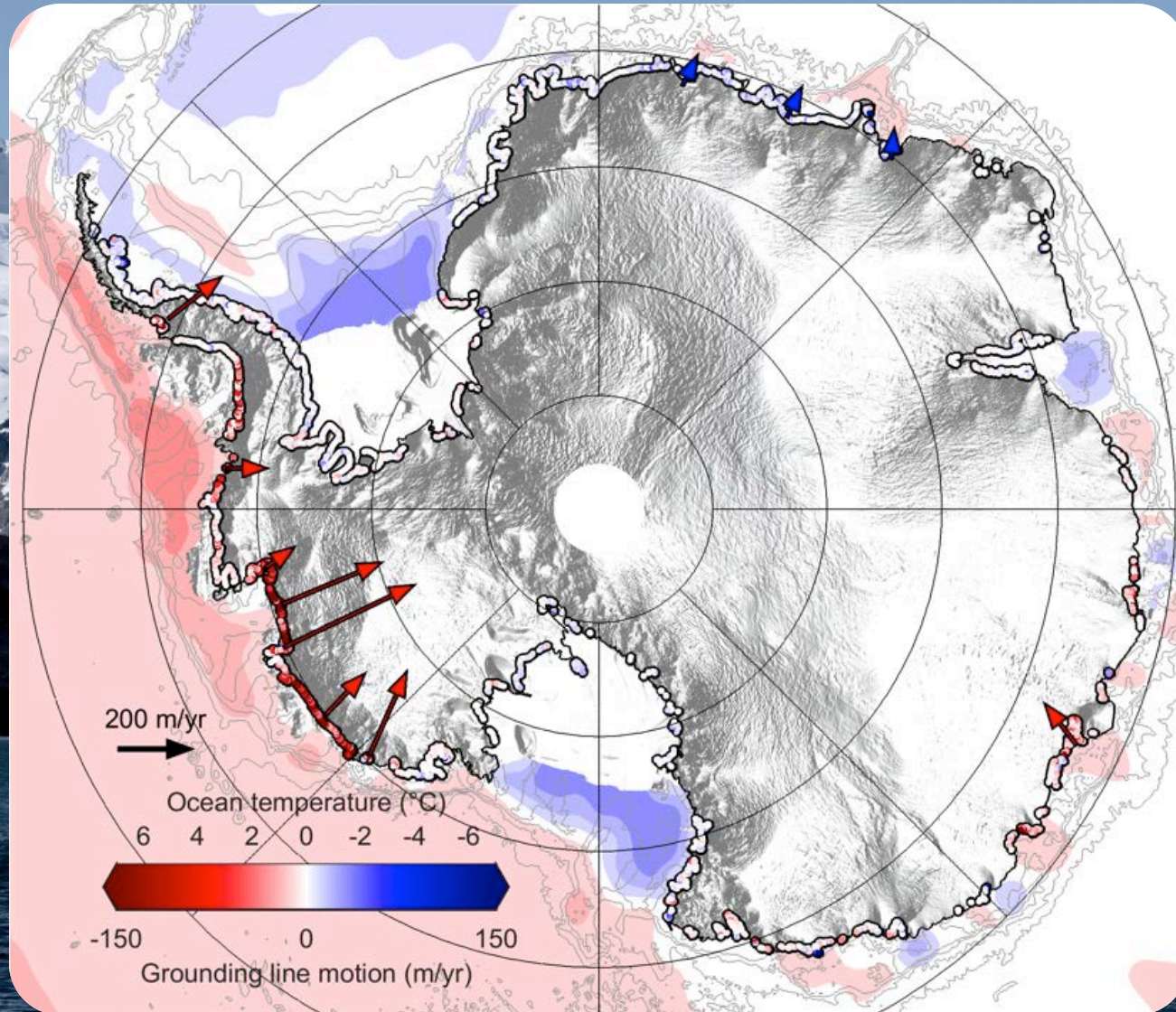
Cryosat – 2018



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Cryosat: Land Ice Melting



Shifting Grounding Lines

Based on CryoSat data over six years (2010 – 2016)

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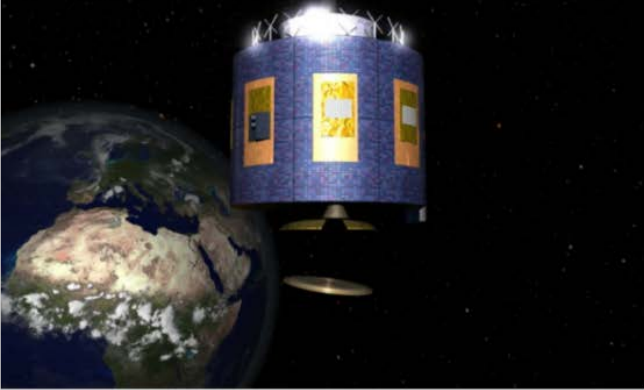


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New Meteorological Systems



Meteosat SG



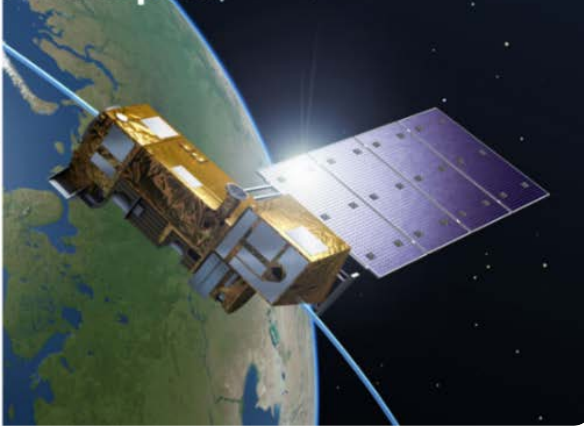
MetOp



Meteosat TG



MetOp SG



MTG

- MTG-I CDR remains on schedule to start Q4/2018
- Stable FAR predictions:
 - MTG-I-1 Dec. 2020
 - MTG-S-1 Aug. 2022

MetOp-SG

- Cycle of Platform lower level / equipment CDRs is nearing completion
- Satellite A launch date in Q4 2022
- Satellite B schedule remains Dec. 2022

Climate Change Initiative Extension – CCI +

New CCI subscriptions at CM-16

83M€ for 2017-2024 period

Knowledge

ITTs for CMUG, new R&D on existing ECVs and Knowledge Exchange released in Q1 2018

Aerosol, Cloud, CO₂ & CH₄,
Ozone, SST, Ocean Colour,
Sea Level, Sea Ice,
Glaciers, Ice Sheets, Land
Cover, Fire, Soil Moisture

Ground Biomass,
Permafrost, Land Surface
Temperature, Water
Vapour

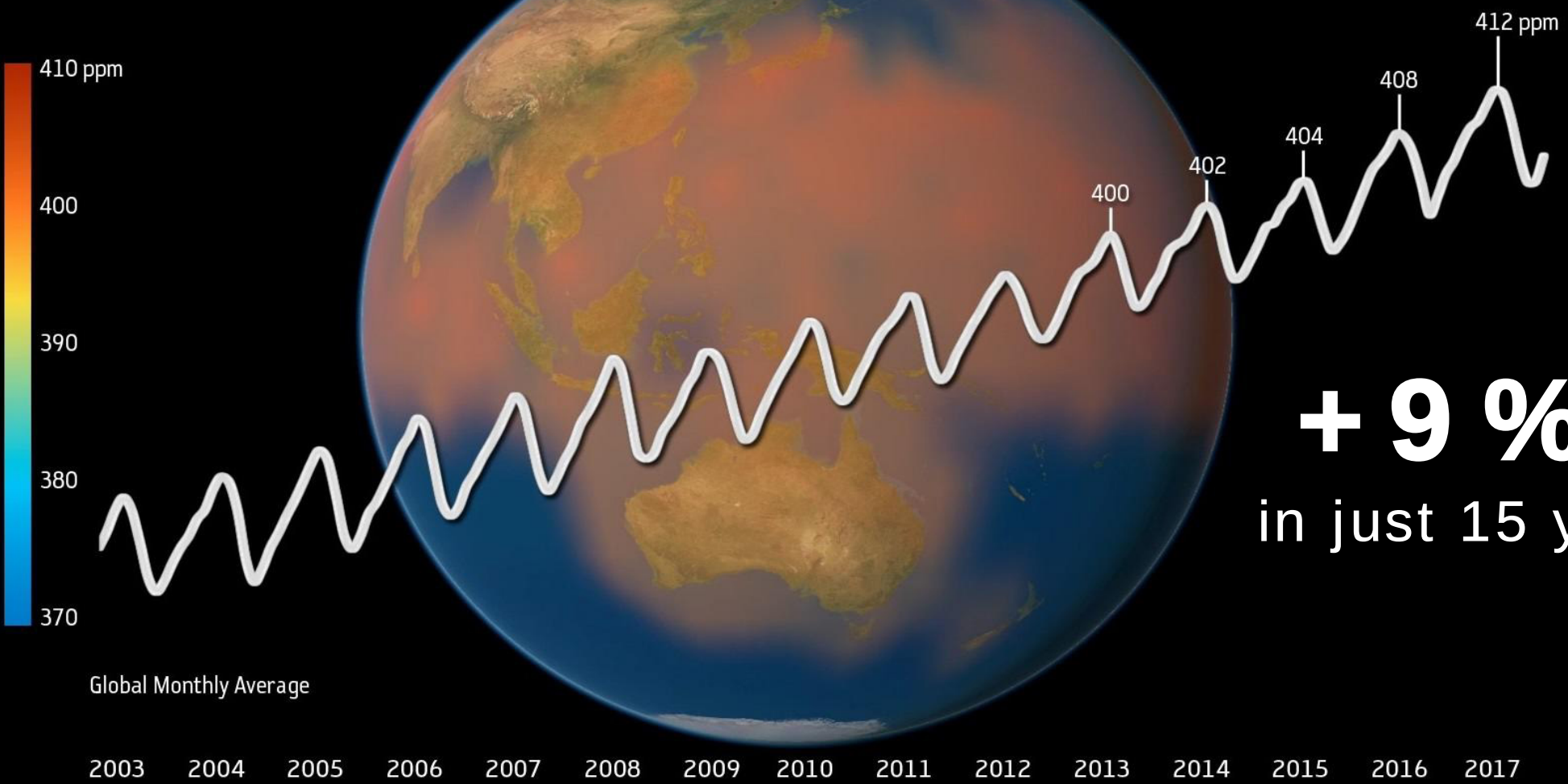
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Scientific
Exploitation**

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Atmospheric Carbon Dioxide (ECV)



Atmospheric Carbon Dioxide



+ 9 % ppm
in just 15 years time

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13–17 May
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UNDERSTANDING THE EARTH SYSTEM

SPACE 4.0 AND EARTH OBSERVATION

BENEFITS FOR A RESILIENT SOCIETY

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTOR INTERACTIONS



Deadlines

Session Proposals
17 June 2018

Abstracts
11 November 2018

Registration
April 2019

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