

GMES Snow and Land Ice Service 2011-2015

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Overall Project Objective

Develop, implement and validate an operational sustainable service for monitoring Snow and Land Ice as a Downstream Service within GMES.

The project prepares the basis for a future cryospheric component of the GMES Land Monitoring Service.

Project Sub-Objectives



- Develop and validate a pan-European satellite-based snow and land ice service delivering highly needed products to the user society.
- Integrate and operationalise existing snow and land ice services
- Prepare the tools for offering snow and ice services world-wide
- Develop tools to utilize data from the GMES Sentinel Satellite Series for snow and ice applications

- Perform full verification and real time demonstration of the services
- Prepare the basis for the Cryosphere Component of a GMES Global Land Monitoring Service
- Products conform to INSPIRE/GEOSS standards
- Make products available via state-ofthe-art online services
- Issue guidelines for stakeholders and for service deployment operations

CryoLand Project Partners



10 Partners from Austria, Finnland, Norway, Romania, Sweden and Switzerland



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Users of CryoLand Services











CryoLand User Group includes >60 Organisations from 14 Countries

Application Fields

- Hydropower companies
- Energy traders
- Road, Railway and River Authorities
- Geotechnical and Construction companies

- Avalanche warning centres
- Ecologists
- Hydrological services
- Meteorological services
- Climate monitoring institutions

4 User WS held in 2011

- Reindeer herders
- Environmental agencies

CryoLand User group contributes to:

- Product and service Requirements
- Requirements for service interfaces
- Consolidation of Product and Service Specification WS 5/2012
- Testing and Evaluation of services and products (ongoing)



Pöyry Water Resources





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7000 experts in about 50 countries, project experience in more than 100 countries,
 17000 projects annually

Pöyry Hydropower / Pöyry Water Resources offers services within the hole life cycle of water resources development projects



Needs for Snow Information





Hydropower Design (Masterplans, Feasibility Studies)

- Verification of hydrological data of flood events (runoff contribution of snowmelt)
- PMF Studies (Probable Maximum Flood, Rain-on-Snow events)
- Glaciers (Spatial extent of glaciers and potential for Glacial Lake Outburst Floods GLOF)

Hydropower Operation

- Inflow Forecasting (daily, weekly, seasonal forecasts; snow model calibration and updating)
- Reservoir Optimization Studies (seasonal glacier and snow melt inflow)

Water Resources Management

- Flood Forecasting (Precipitation Runoff Modelling; snow model calibration and updating)
- Climate Change Impact Studies (Water Balance Modelling; historic changes in snow cover extent and glacier extent)



Needs for Glacier Information





Estimation of glacial melt contribution to summer runoff / inflow to reservoirs

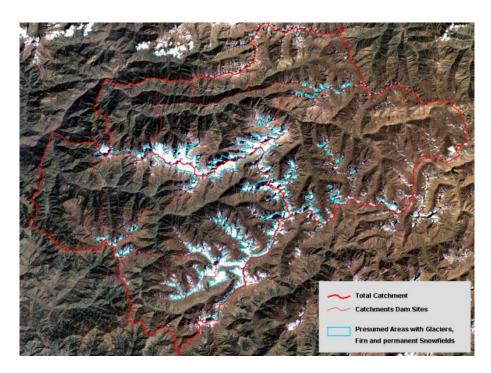
- Time series of maps of ice and snow on glaciers
- Mapping of debris covered glaciers

Glacier Lake Outburst Floods

 GLOF potential very important for dam design and dam safety

Climate Change impact studies

- Information on historic glacier extent and glacier retreat
- Supports calibration of snow and glacier model components in water balance modelling



Palas Valley and Spat Gah Catchment, NWFP Pakistan





Snow

Glaciers

Lake / River Ice

Products from
Satellite Data and
In-situ Measurements

CryoLand Products



Specifications of products are done according to user needs which were assessed in 4 workshops held in Vienna, Oslo, Saariselka, Bucharest in 2011 and consolidated in the user meeting in Stockholm in 2012.

Products are conform to INSPIRE/GEOSS standards

Snow Service - Main Products:

- Snow Cover Area (fractional, binary, hemispheric/continental; regional)
- Snow Water Equivalent (Coarse)
- Wet snow (Melting) area
- Surface Albedo

Glacier Service - Main Products:

- Glacier area / outlines
- Maps of snow / ice area
- Ice motion maps
- Glacier dammed lakes

Main EO Data:

- Optical Satellite (MODIS, Sentinel S3)
- SAR (ERS, ENVISAT, Sentinel S1)
- Passive MW data (AMSR)

Main EO Data:

- High Resolution MS Optical (SPOT)
- High Resolution SAR (TerraSAR-X, ERS, ENVISAT, S1)

Lake / River Ice - Main Products:

- Lake Ice and River Ice extent
- Temporal changes of ice extent
- Snow extent

Main EO data:

- SAR (ENVISAT, RadarSAT, TSX, S1)
- Optical Satellite data (SPOT, Landsat, S2)

Approach for product and service improvement towards user needs



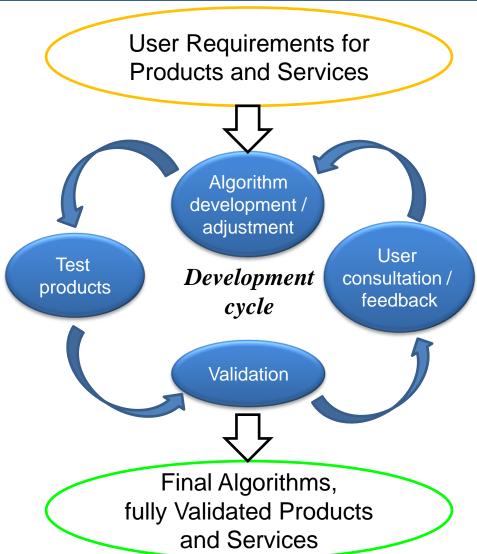
 User requirements / dialogue for improved product requirements and specification



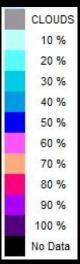
- Algorithm development / adjustment to match user needs
- 3. Generation of test products and validation for different regions and periods
- User consultation and feedback on product and services



Final algorithms,
 fully validated products and services



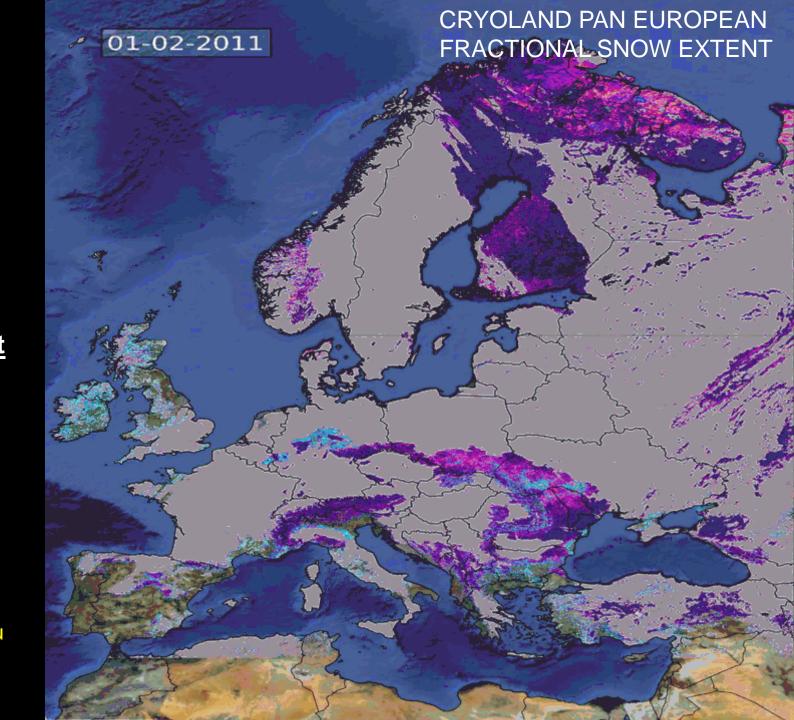




FSC Product Specs:

Daily
1 km Pixel
(500 m: 2013/14)
Latency: <12 h
MODIS
(Sentinel-3)

Pre-Operational: www.cryoland.eu



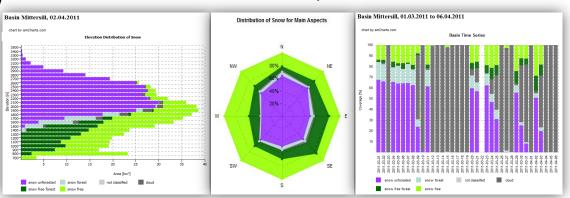
Regional Snow Cover Products



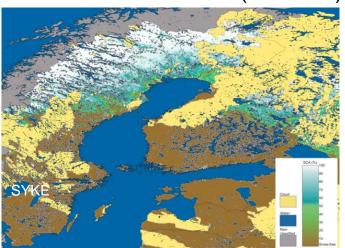
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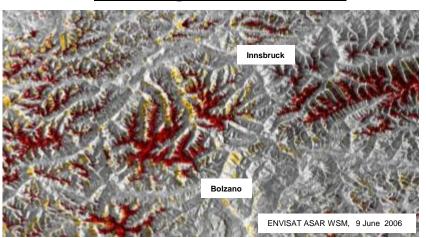
Generated for User Specified Basins



Boreal Forests 500 m (ScaMod)



Melting Snow Areas





30 May 2012 Gabriele Bippus

Pan European SWE Product

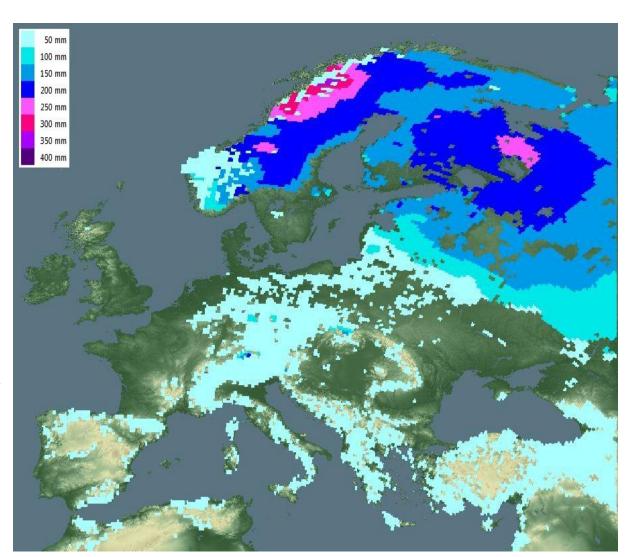


Draft requirements and specification:

- Projection: LatLon / WGS84
- Pixel size: 0.1 deg; ca 10 km
- Temporal resolution: Daily
- Latency: < 1 day

Product status:

- Algorithm based on H-Saf and GlobSnow, new post-processing and data delivery
- Based on passive microwave observations and ECMWF weather station data





Snowmelt contributions to runoff Spoyey







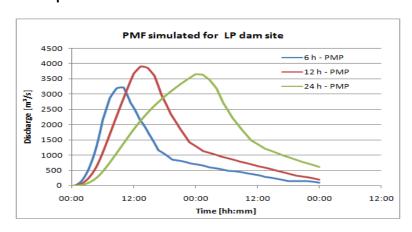


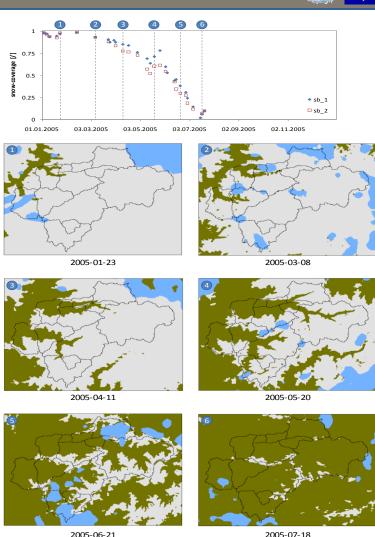
Verification of hydrological data of flood records

Can snowmelt contributions have increased runoff up to the recorded levels?

Probable maximum flood studies

- PMF required for spillway design of dams, design value with strong impact on costs
- Rain-on-snow events can be crucial for PMF
- It is important to know the maximum extent of snow cover during flood season (e.g. snow cover at beginning of monsun season)
- Input for PMF simulations





Applications in Pakistan, Turkey, West Balkan

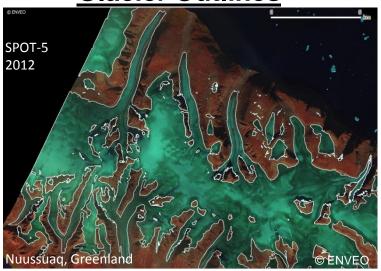




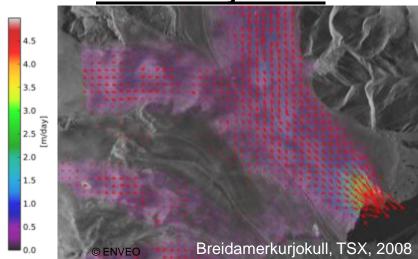
Glacier Products



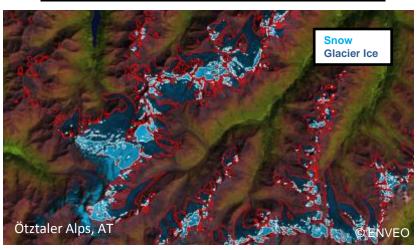
Glacier Outlines



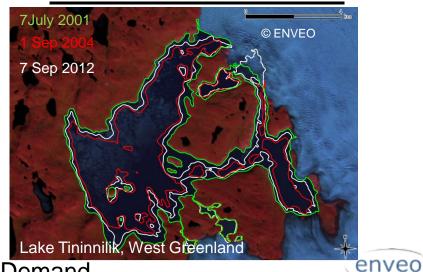
Ice Velocity Fields



Snow and Glacier Ice areas



Extent of Glacier Lakes

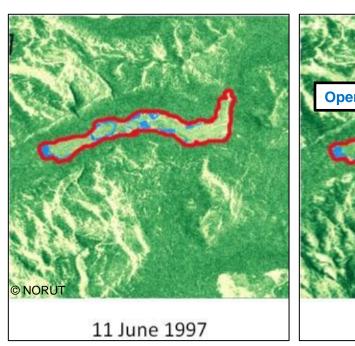


Processed on Users Demand

Lake / River Ice Prototype Products



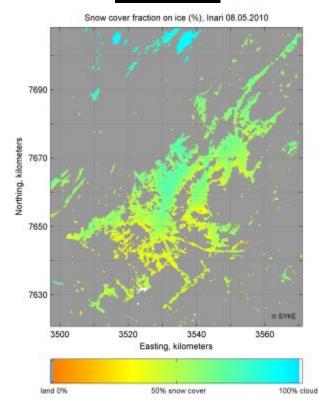
Fresh Water Ice Extent and Temporal Changes





Break up of lake ice at the lake Nedre Heimdalsvatn, Norway: red - lake boundaries; blue – open water; green – lake ice.

Snow Cover on Lake Ice

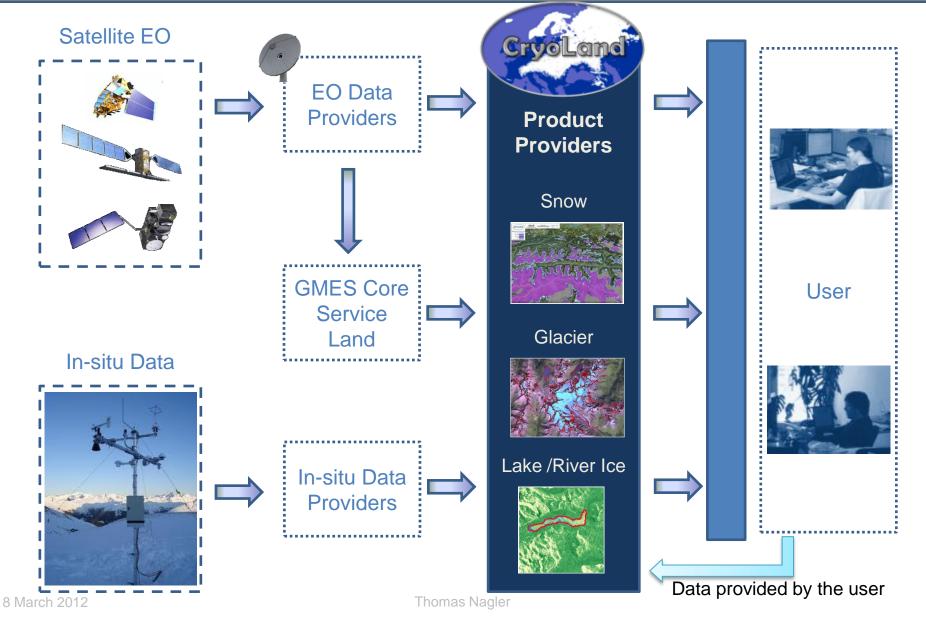


Snow covered (FSC) area on lake ice, 8 May 2010



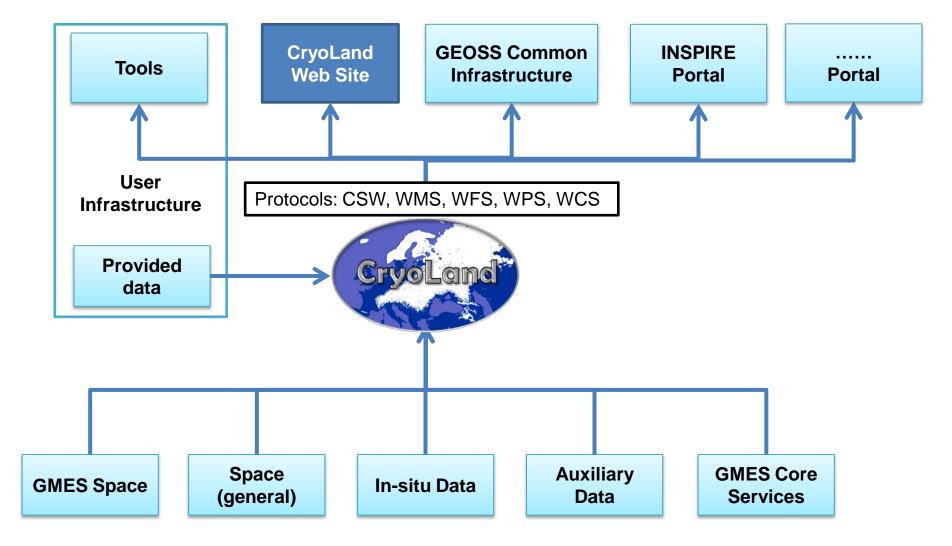
Service Level Concept





Product and Information Exchange







CryoLand Snow – Ongoing Activities



- NRT Time Pilot Service for Pan-European FSC and SWE winter 2012/2013. http://cryoland.eu
- Validation of SE products and products quality assessment
- User WS for evaluation of Pilot Services, planned for May 2013.
- Adaptation and implementation of algorithms to Sentinel Satellite Series.
- End-2-End testing and evaluating of CryoLand Services.
- CryoLand Demonstration of NRT Snow Services 2013/14, including pan-european and regional snow products, but also primary lake ice and glacier products.



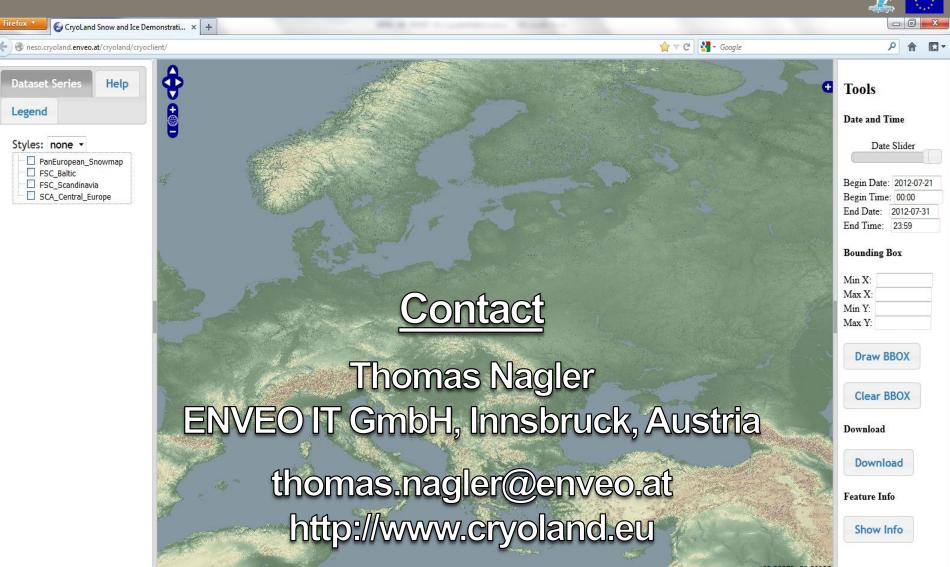
Sustainability of Services after the Project (1/2015)

- CryoLand is designed as a downstream service providing services and products matching user needs.
 As a downstream service it is planned to be a selfstanding service.
- CryoLand has the technical capabilities for covering the cryospheric component of the GMES land core services. It can be expanded towards global snow and land ice monitoring and can contribute to the generation of ECVs of snow, glaciers and lake ice, but so far no mandate to do this as a regular service.

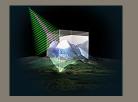


CryoLand Geo-Portal









CoReH₂O A Satellite Mission for Cold Regions Hydrology



Earth Explorer Mission Candidate (EE7) – ausgewählt für Phase-A Studien in 2009

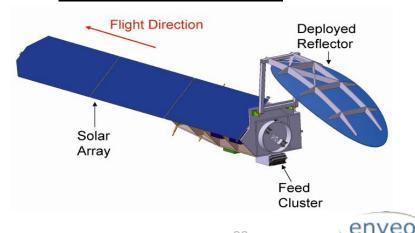
ZIELSETZUNG: Verbesserte Beobachtungen von Schnee und Eisparameter, im speziellen des Wasseräquivalents der Schneedecke und Winterakkumulation auf Gletschern.

für Anwendungen in

- Klimaforschung
- Hydrologie und Wasserwirtschaft
- Zur Beschreibung der Austauschprozesse zwischen der Erdoberfläche und Atmosphäre
- Gletscher-Massenbilanz und Wechselwirkung mit Klima
- Schneeschmelze und Gletscherabfluss (Süßwasser-Ressource)

Dauer der Mission	4 Jahre minimum, (Goal: 5 Jahre)
Orbit	dawn/dusk, near polar
Sensor	SAR, Ku-band und X-band, VV und VH Polarisation
Einfallswinkel und Streifenbreite	30 – 45 deg (range) Streifenbreite ≥ 100 km

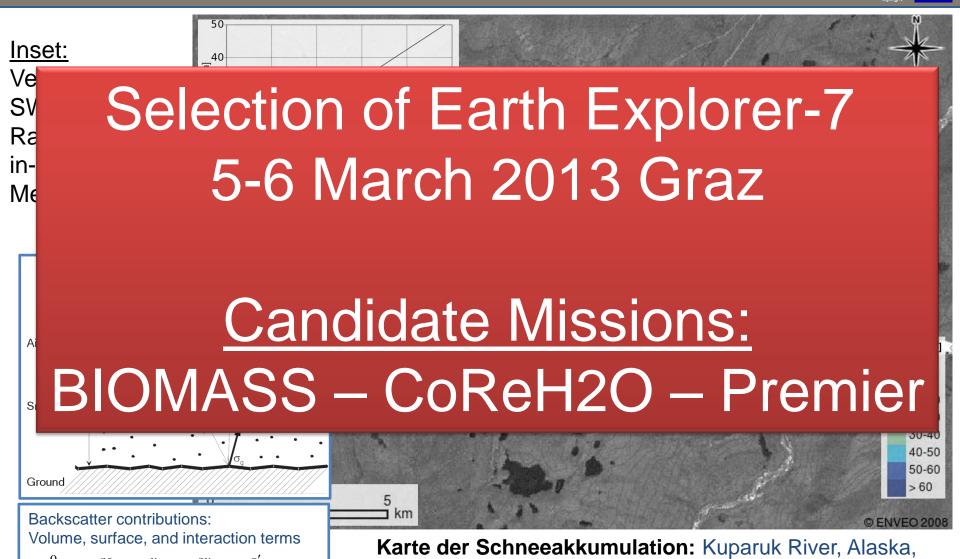
Technisches Konzept:



Kartierung der Schneeakkumulation mittels X- und Ku-Band Radar



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(PolScat), X-VV-& VH (TSX)

difference Feb. 2008 -Nov. 2007 von Ku-VV & VH

12/4/2011 Space Day, Vienna

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