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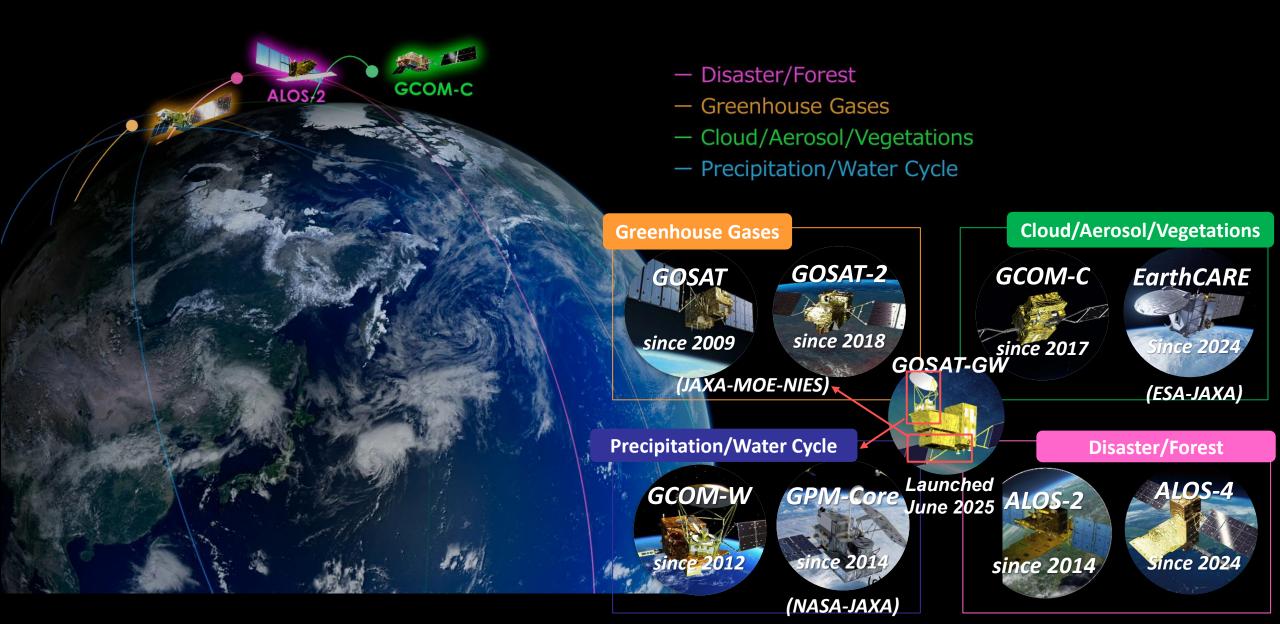
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JAXA Satellites in Operation





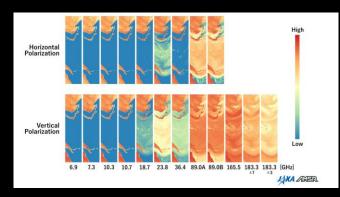


Advanced Microwave Scanning Radiometer3 (AMSR3)

High

JAXA AMSR

AMSR3 global observation image (August 15 - 17, 2025)

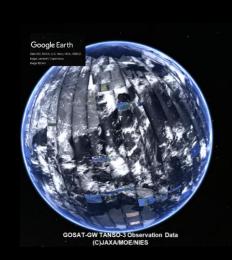


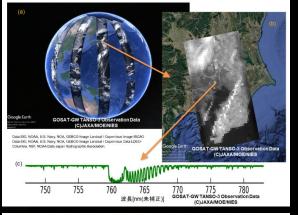
AMSR3 Sea Surface Temperature (August 15-17, 2025)

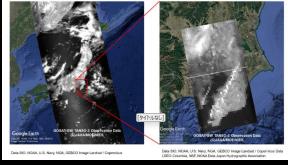
Low

Observation around Japan by 21 channels equipped by AMSR3 (August 16, 2025)

Total Anthropogenic and Natural emissions mapping SpectrOmeter-3 (TANSO-3)







TANSO-3 Observation Data (July 14-16, 2025)

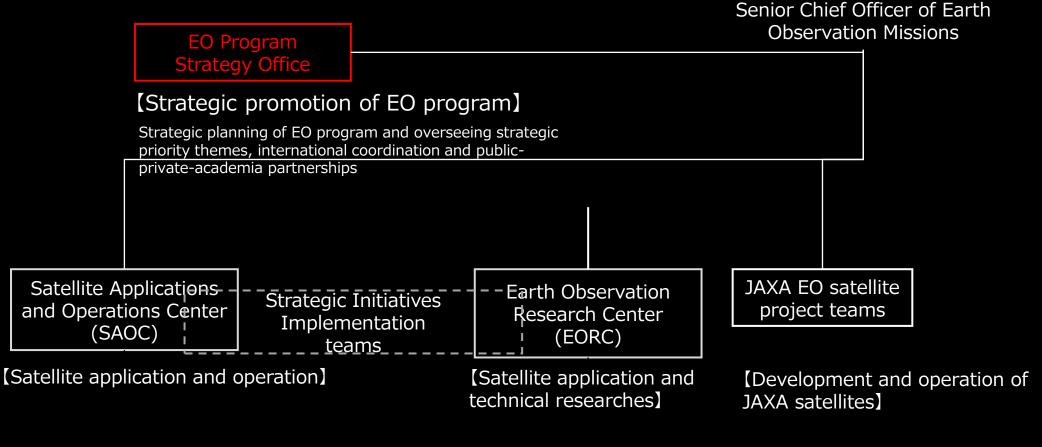
TANSO-3 Observation Data (July 20, 2025)

OFFICE

Organizational Structure



EO Program Strategy Office established by reorganizing mission planning, public-private-academia partnerships and international coordination functions of Satellite Applications and Operations Center (SAOC) and the Earth Observation Research Center (EORC)



[Benefit creation initiatives]



FOUR THEMATIC AREAS FOR STRATEGIC INITIATIVES



SP3

Maritime Observation.

SP2
Carbon Stocks

Strategic Initiatives

SP4 Infrastructure and Disaster Management

Societal Benefit

















Strategic Initiatives







Losses





Global Water-related Disaster Risk and Resource Management

Strengthening global water-related disaster resilience and resource management through the space-based solutions for safer and more resilient society.

Challenges

Actions to

resolve

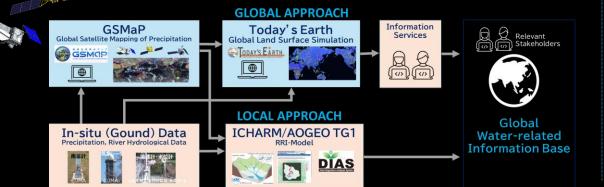




US\$155B in Death (in last 50years)

(2000-2019) (in last 10years)

Develop and deliver water-related solutions using high-resolution, borderless simulation models and satellite-based rainfall information



SP₂





Understanding natural capital and utilizing satellite data for carbon credits

Establishing effective methods for assessing the natural capital of forests and rice paddies to support net zero targets and improve trust in carbon credits.

Challenges



Ensuring reliability and transparency of carbon credit

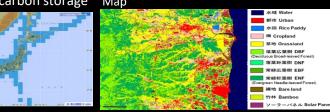
Actions to resolve

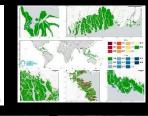
Develop the methodologies and promote the use of satellite data in crediting schemes.

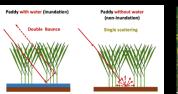
above-ground carbon storage

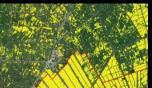


Global Mangrove Map

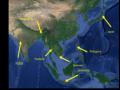












Strategic Initiatives







Strengthening capabilities for monitoring maritime conditions through satellite observation, while building cooperative relationships with surrounding countries

Challenges

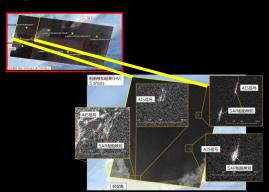


Enhancement of maritime observation capabilities across wide ocean areas through international cooperation

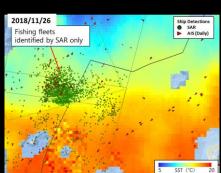
Actions to resolve

Strengthen capabilities for monitoring maritime activities and conditions through an extensive satellite observation network by public-private partnerships and promote international cooperation

Ship Detection



Ocean Environment Monitoring



ALOS-4 (L-band SAR and AIS)



SP4









Infrastructure and Disaster Management

Leveraging satellite-based geospatial data and infrastructure monitoring services, we aim to streamline land management, build a digital disaster management platform, and create globally competitive businesses.

Challenges

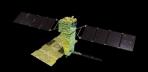


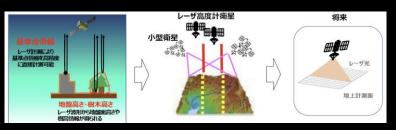
Disaster risk management/response and rapid damage assessment

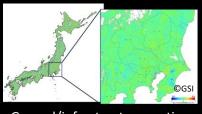
Actions to resolve

Enable and deliver high-precision 3D topographical information and infrastructure monitoring capabilities and services through satellite observation

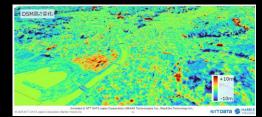
ALOS-4 (L-band SAR and AIS)







Ground/infrastructure motion monitoring

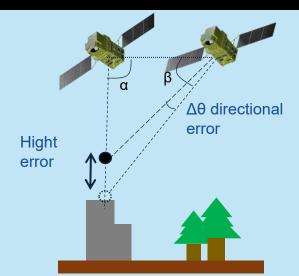


Accurate 3D mapping with optical and LIDAR sensors

Optical Observation Satellite Project Concept through Public-Private Partnership

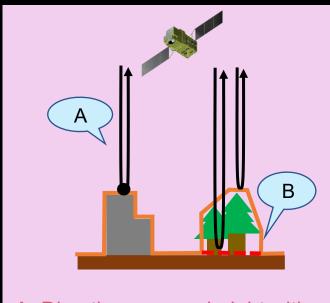


Conventional methodology:
Stereo image synthesis processing



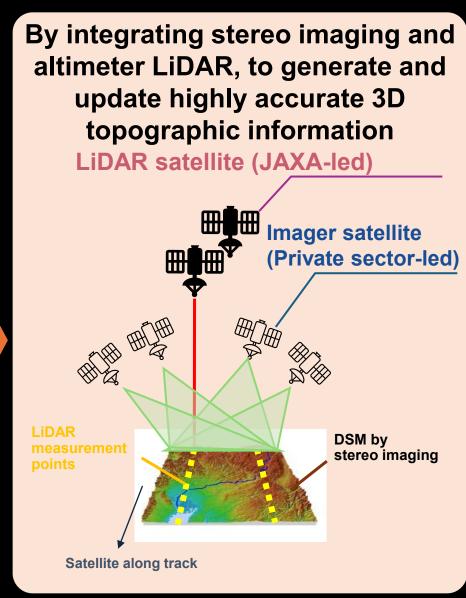
- Directional error and image quality affect height error
- Digital Surface Model (DSM) is available

New methodology: Integrating altitude information by LiDAR

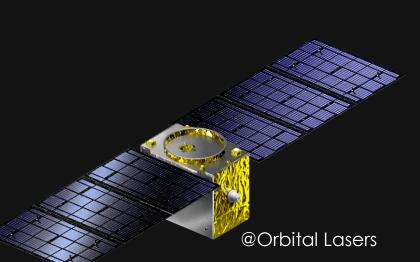


A: Directly measure height with high accuracy

B: Digital Terrain Model (DTM) is available in vegetated area







Global Geodetic Reference Points

The satellite generates global geodetic reference points defined as 3D coordinates with vertical accuracy on the order of several tens of centimeters.

Digital Surface Model Correction

Generated reference points help correct digital surface models for improved geospatial analysis.

Full waveform LiDAR and auxiliary 2D imager

The payload of the satellite, the LiDAR Altimeter and Imager System

300-kg-class satellite

The satellite is a 300-kg-class satellite designed to operate for two years in very low Earth orbit (VLEO) based on the flight heritage from JAXA's previous mission, SLATS.



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