

Status Report on the Seismic Hazards Pilot

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As of today:

- A Collaboration of **ESA, NASA, ASI, CNES, DLR, JAXA**, and other partners: **INGV, COMET, NASA JPL, CNR IREA, University of Miami, University of Pavia, NOAA, UNAVCO** and **ISTerre/IPGP**.
- The GEP is available since March 2015: supports both ***EO data access, EO data processing and e-collaboration***.
- Strong collaboration with the ***Supersite initiative GSNL***.
- Continued collaboration of pilot group with EO mission operators (e.g. Sentinel-1 mission manager) to ***optimize coverage against thematic priority areas of the Pilot***.
- Development of tools for **automated generation of Sentinel-1 frame interferograms on the COMET-LiCSAR**; the **entire length of the North Anatolian Fault System** has been already **processed**: E-W component of the surface displacement rates is available.
- ***Supported response to earthquakes*** since August 2016: Italy (Amatrice, Visso and Norcia) and New Zealand. On-going work for Nepal, Greece and Ecuador. In total, the pilot responded in **8 earthquakes in 5 countries since November 2014**.

Seismic Hazards pilot - Objectives



- A. Support the generation of globally self-consistent strain rate estimates and the mapping of active faults at the global scale by providing EO InSAR and optical data and processing capacities to existing initiatives, such as the iGSRM**

[role of EO: wide extent satellite observations]

- B. Support and continue the GSNL**

[role of EO: multiple observations focused on supersites]

- C. Develop and demonstrate advanced science products for rapid earthquake response.**

[role of EO: observation of earthquakes with $M > 5.8$]

Overview of activities (1)

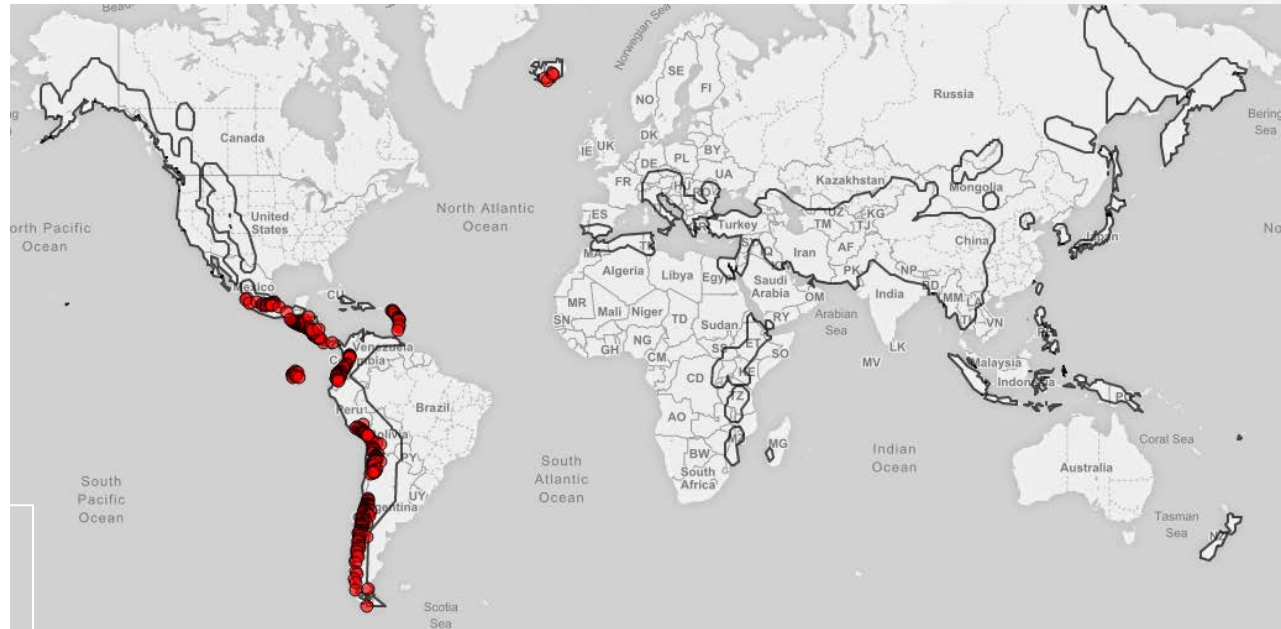


Objective A:

- **Turkey validation of interseismic strain measurements:**
 - Analysis with **TSX** data will be **completed by summer 2017**.
 - The **entire length of the North Anatolian Fault System** has been already processed (**Sentinel-1**): E-W component of the surface displacement rates is available.
- **Alpine-Himalayan Belt:** About **1000 frames processed** (including NAFS); A larger area to be selected to process all data since the beginning of the Sentinel-1 mission.
- **Mapping China (Haiyuan) and Iran (Shahdad) active faults:** on-going work.

CEOS priority areas masks are available on the GEP GeoBrowser:

- Seismic Pilot
- Volcano Pilot



A detailed report for the pilot activities is presented later in slide 49.

Overview of activities (2)



Objective B:

- The pilot continued to support the Gorkha earthquake Event Supersite.
- No other Event Supersites have been established in the period.
- The CEOS has continued to support the active Permanent Supersites, see presentation from S. Salvi about the GSNL.
- Historical COSMO-SkyMed and TerraSAR-X data for the GSNL to be accessed through the GEP.
- Chains integrated on GEP (by e.g. INGV) to support GSNL users.

Objective C:

- ALOS 2 data obtained through the Seismic pilot for the Gorkha Event Supersite (since JAXA does not support GSNL), ongoing work is focusing on post-seismic deformation (a paper on the earthquake is in review).
- On-going analysis of the Lefkada (Greece) earthquake in November 2015.
- On-going analysis of the Amatrice, Visso and Norcia (Italy) earthquakes in August and October 2016.
- On-going analysis of the Kaikoura (New Zealand) earthquake in November 2016.

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Users



Academia

- Primarily focusing on scientific research.

Geoscience centres doing research or mandated to provide technical advice to national DRM authorities

- Geological surveys, geophysics centres looking at tectonic hazards focused on the scientific use of satellite data that aim to understand the physics of geohazards and better characterise, understand and model such risks. In some cases, EO experts (process, analyse, validate, integrate the EO satellite data) are part of geoscience centers.

The end users (e.g. national DRM authorities, industry etc.)

- Exploit real value of EO-based information products for risk e.g. government administrations (e.g. civil protection authorities), private sector bodies (e.g. insurance industry), private citizens.



Results from pilot work in the period March 2016- August 2016

1. EO data access for pilot users

EO data access for Pilot users



Following the arrangement made by ESA with ASI, DLR and JAXA to support data dissemination through the Geohazards Exploitation Platform (GEP):

-COSMO-SkyMed data for the Nepal Event Supersite are available for GSNL users (Obj. B) that have signed the ASI license form. All COSMO-SkyMed data for GSNL, Volcano and Seismic pilot shall be accessed through the GEP (ASI: currently updating Hardware).

-TerraSAR-X data can be accessed through the platform. Users are re-directed to the DLR portal for downloading. Access granted after registration.

-ALOS-2 data for Seismic and Volcano pilot users are available on the GEP.

-For a fair portion of the tectonic mask, dense ESA archive data (ERS, ENVISAT) are available (70+ terabytes) and work is on going to fully cover the area; Copernicus Sentinel-1 data are available through the Scihub <https://scihub.esa.int/>

-ESA made an arrangement with CNES, to host Pleiades DEMs on the GEP. Access will be restricted to CEOS Seismic pilot users.

Available ERS, Envisat & Copernicus Sentinel-1 SAR & Sentinel-2 data



Sentinel-1 made available (in raw as well as SLC format) starting with CEOS Pilot targets and with the goal to gradually provide global coverage.

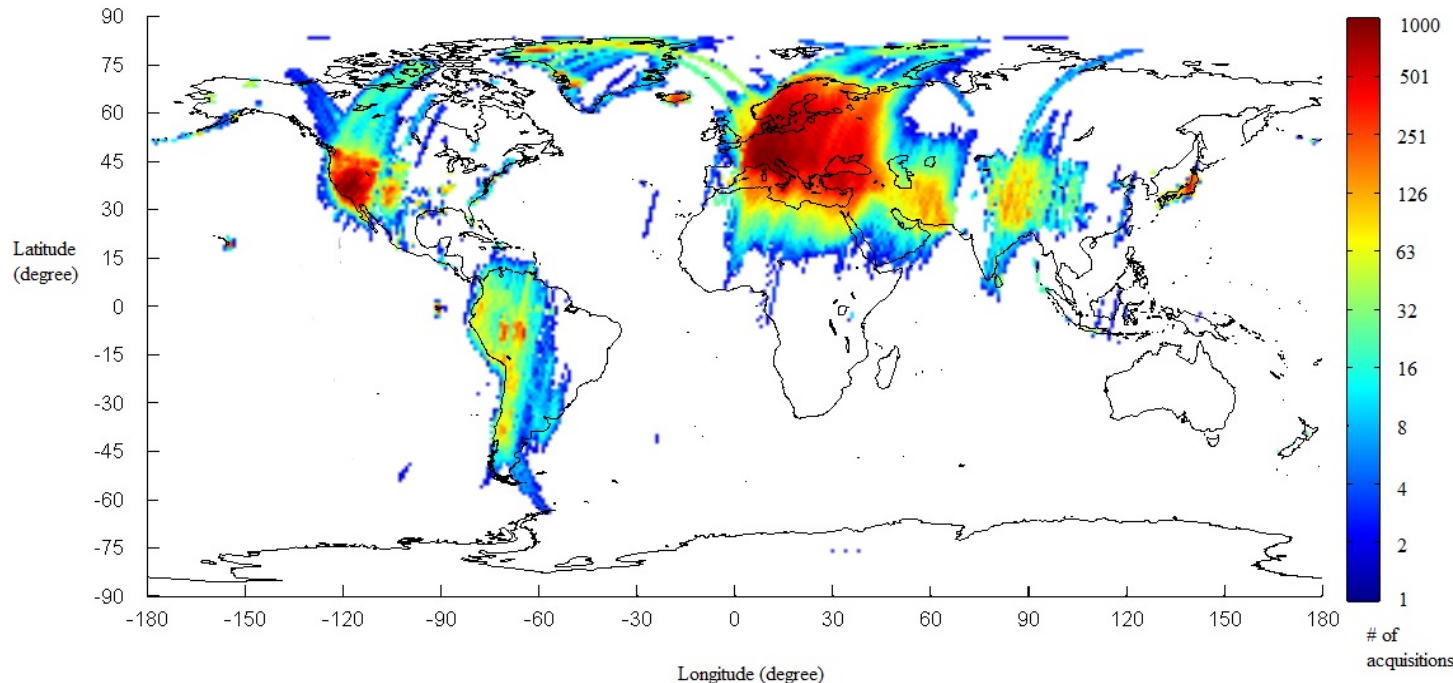
Sentinel-2 are made available.

Sentinel-3 are made available.

ERS & Envisat SAR data:

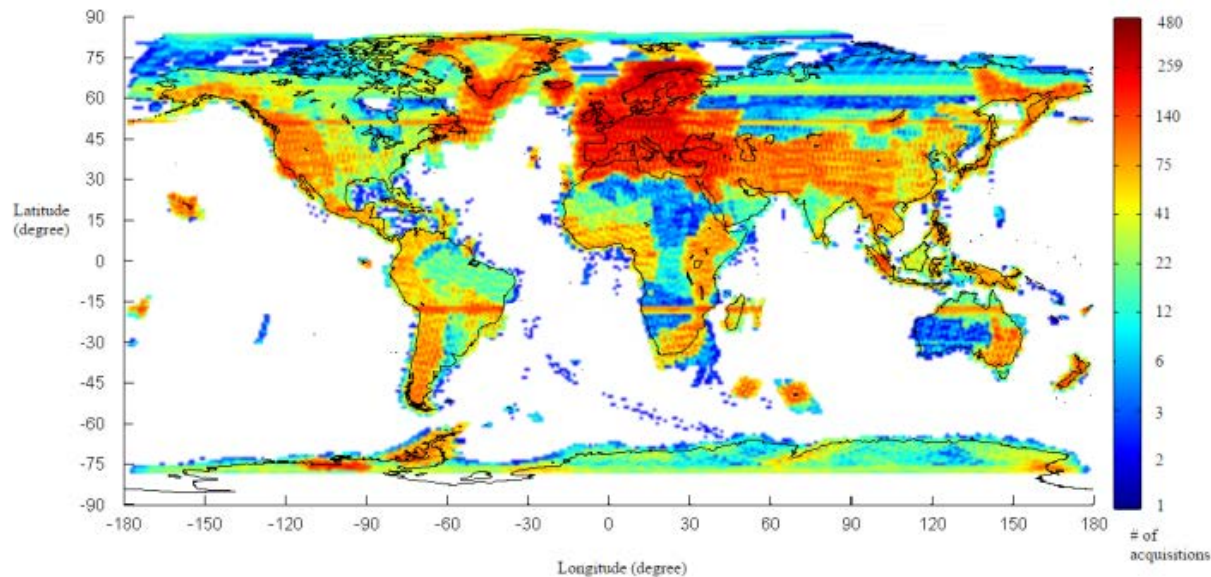
- Current ENVISAT ASAR IM Level-0 Data
 - Current ERS SAR IM Level-0 Data
- (70+ terabytes)

Spatial coverage density map



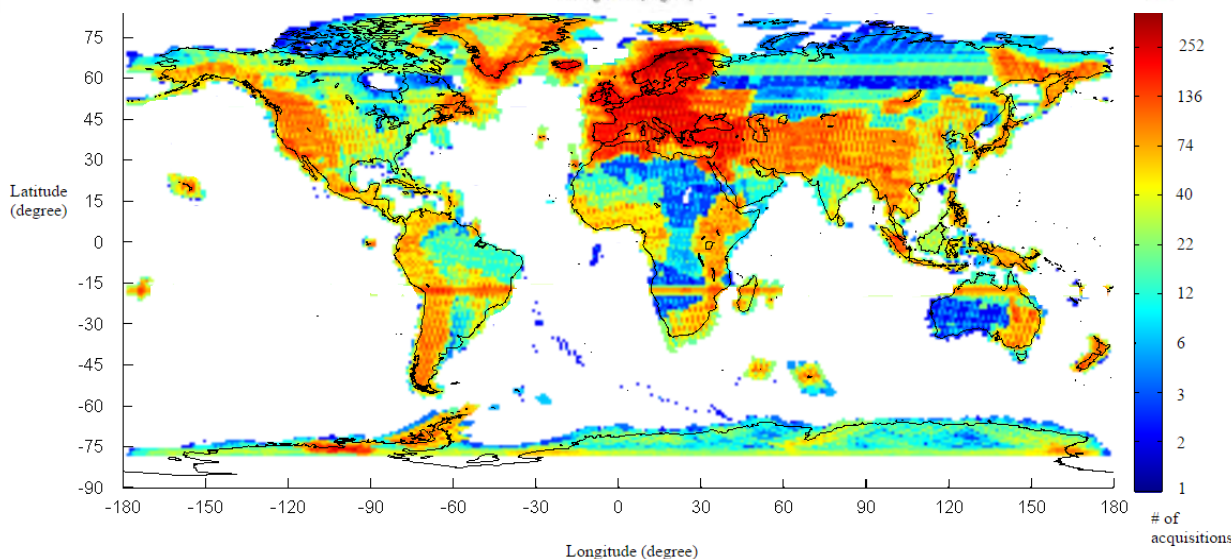
ERS & ENVISAT Level-0 data available as of February 2016.

Available Copernicus Sentinel-1A SAR data – Spatial Coverage



**S-1 RAW data
available as of
December 2016**

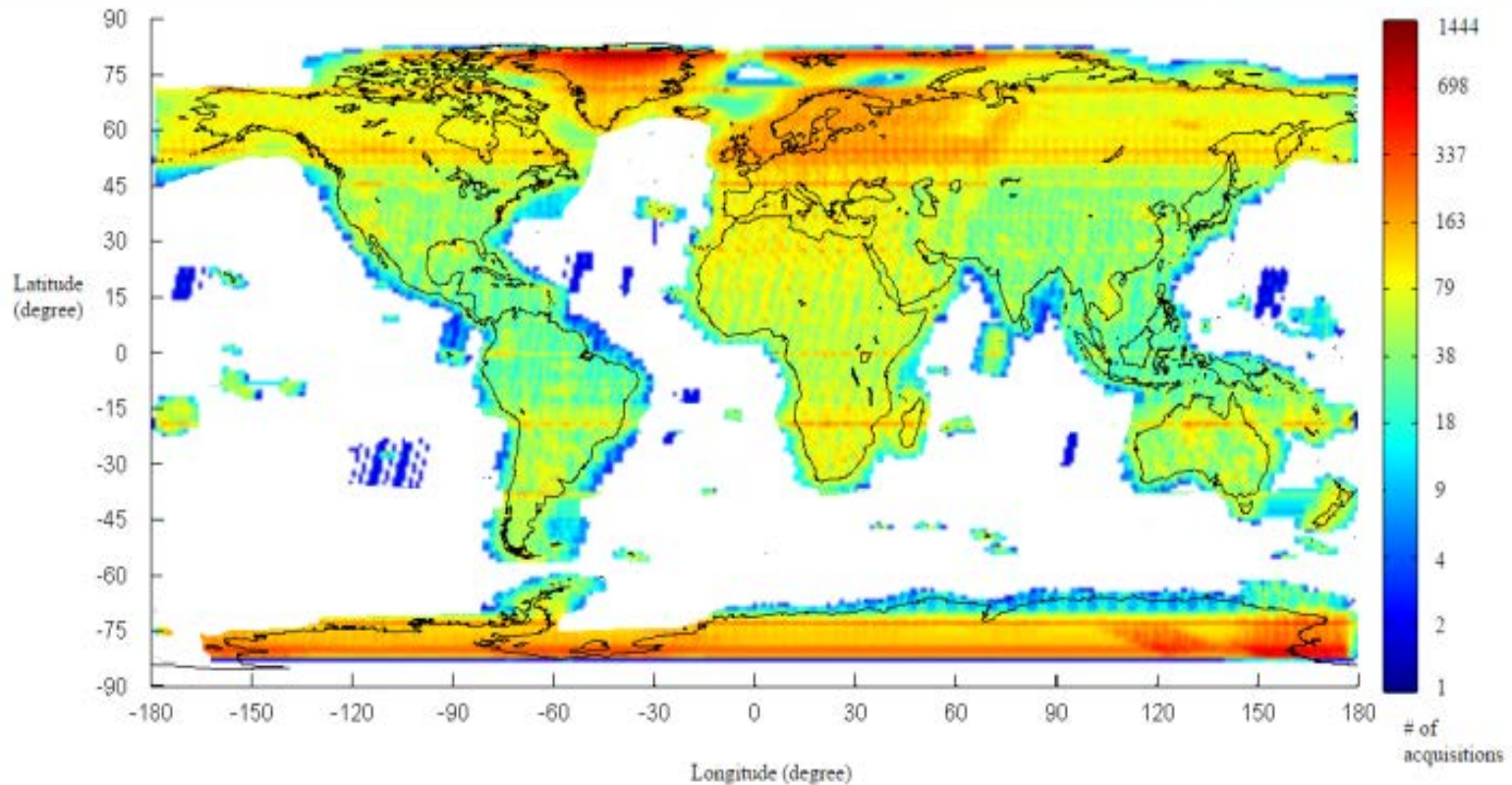
**Since November 2015, all
Sentinel-1 products contain
Restituted orbits (generally
good for InSAR, no need to
await Precise orbits).**



**S-1 SLC data
available as of
December 2016**

**SLC products
now available for almost all
S-1 acquisitions**

Copernicus Sentinel-2A data accessible through the GEP



There are several Optical processing chains on the GEP :

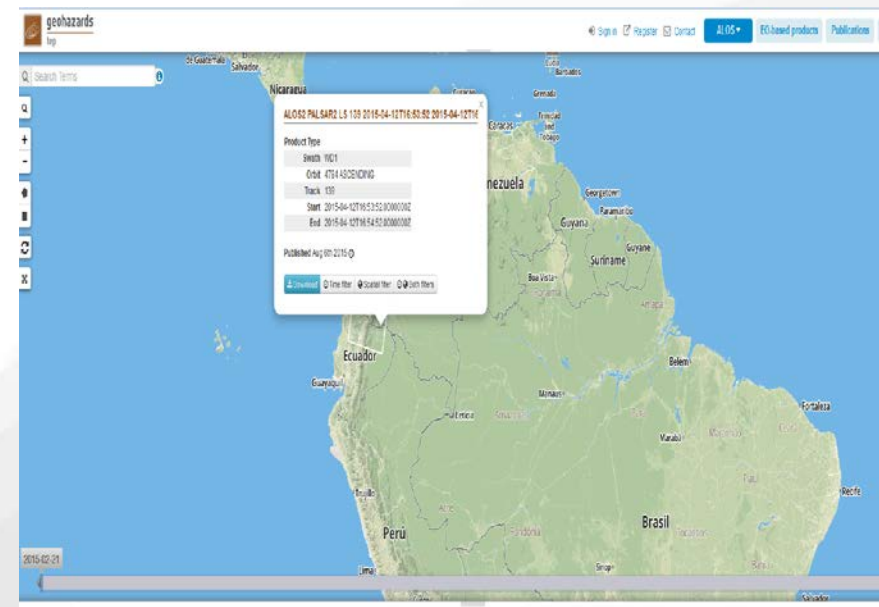
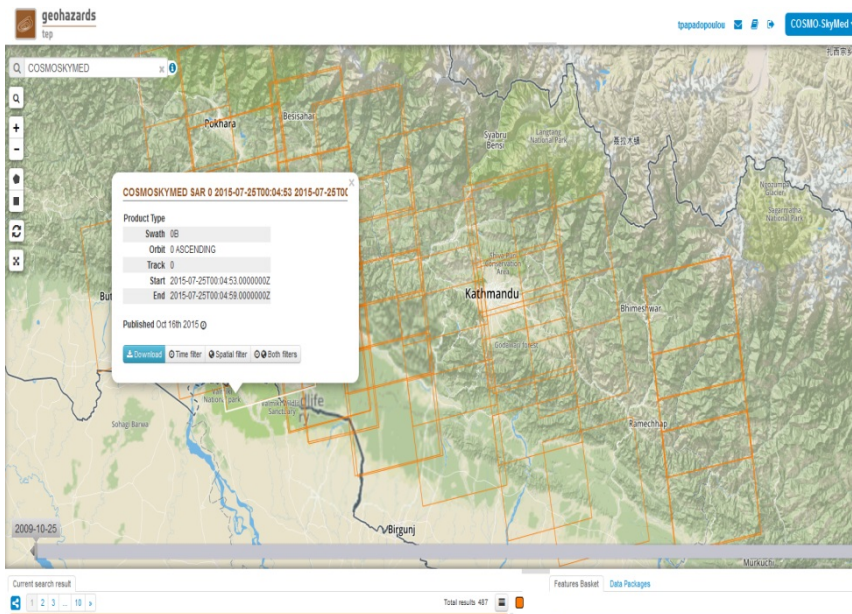
- STEMP of INGV
- MPIC chain of Univ. Strasbourg
- Hot Spot Maps, Noveltis
- Vegetation Vigor maps, Noveltis
- Orpheo Toolbox, etc).

GEP supporting the GSNL and the Volcano pilot



❖ **COSMO-SkyMed data collections over Nepal** available through the GEP (only for authorized users having signed the ASI license form).

❖ **ALOS-2 images over Latin America volcanoes** are available through the GEP. The ALOS-2 collections (up to 11 terabytes) were accessed by Volcano pilot users.



Seismic Pilot: Yearly Quota



Agency	ASI	CNES Pleiades	CSA	DLR	ESA	JAXA ALOS-2	NASA	USGS Landsat -8
Number of Images	300	50	2	on request	*	100	-	-

*ESA: large dataset through the GEP (ERS & ENVISAT 70+ Tera and Copernicus Sentinel-1 & Sentinel-2 gradually)

DLR (TerraSAR-X): quota shall be provided, if requested

CNES (Spot): no quota provided

Freely available sources: no quota (e.g. USGS L8).

-ALOS-2 data available up to 31 March 2017.

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ALOS-2 data requests

- NASA JPL to provide additional requests to complement the available ALOS-2 datasets over Turkey, Nepal and Central Andean Subduction
- Creeping faults in Philippines (M6,7 EQ on February 10).

Quota available: 125 images

Data use



AOI	ASI	CNES Pleiades	CSA	DLR	ESA	JAXA ALOS-2
China	92	18				
Iran	46					
NAF				296	~1000 (Alpine-Himalayan belt)	24
Nepal	<i>Covered by GSNL event supersite</i>					27
Andes						8
Greece	60		6	65	>2	
Italy	2	14			8	4
New Zealand		27			>2	12

In **bold**, images requested and used during this reporting period.

Note: **number** of data **requested**, **provided** and **used** is different. To be further discussed with CEOS agencies.



Results from pilot work in the period March 2016- August 2016

2. EO processing



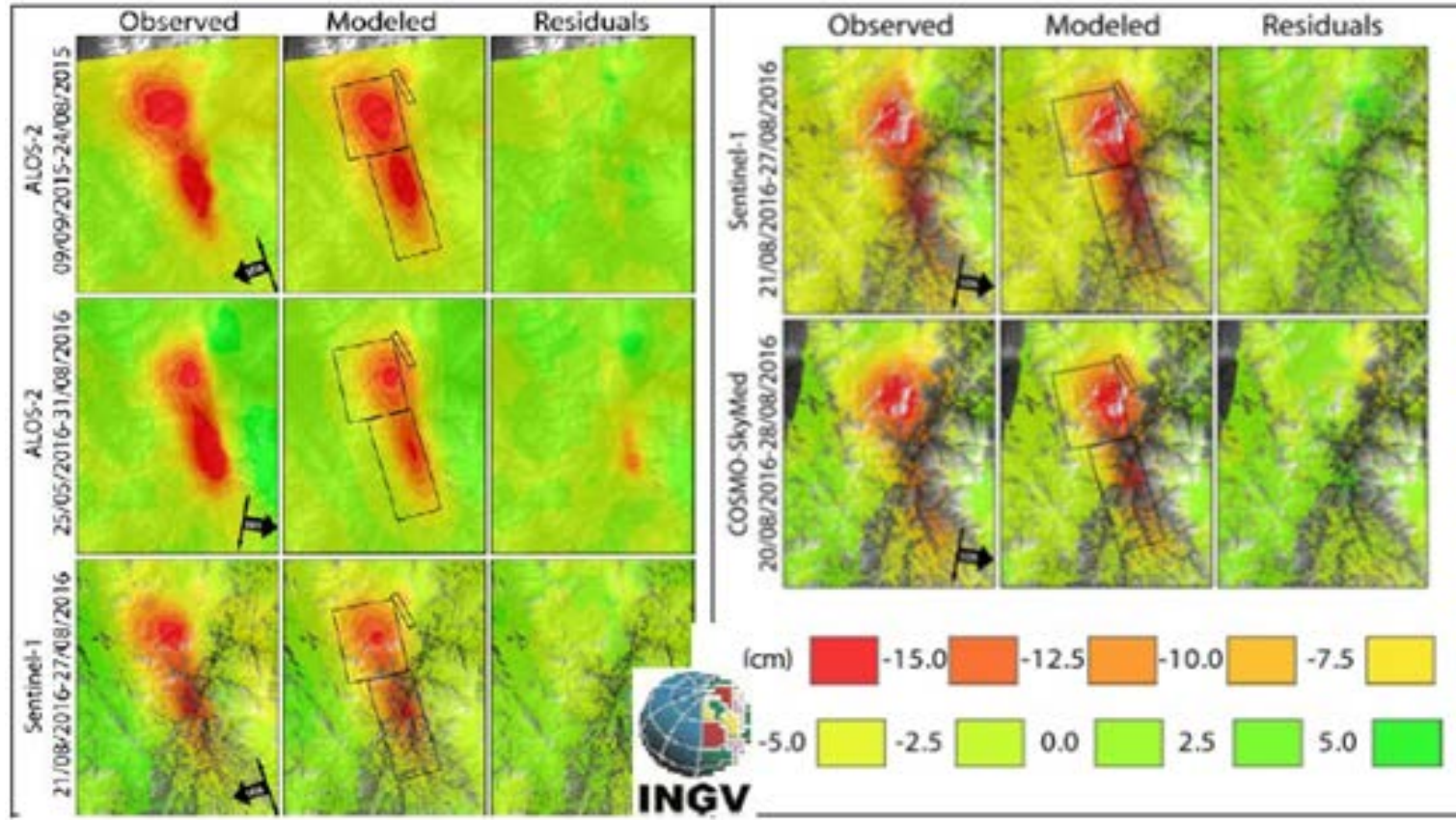
Central Italy earthquakes (24 August, 26 and 30 October 2016)

Central Italy Earthquakes: Activation



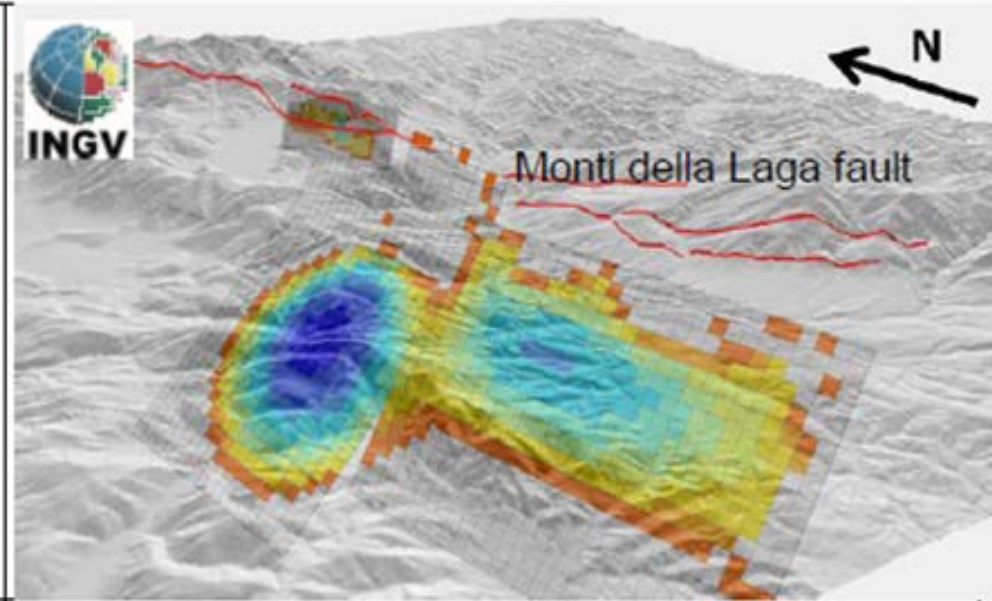
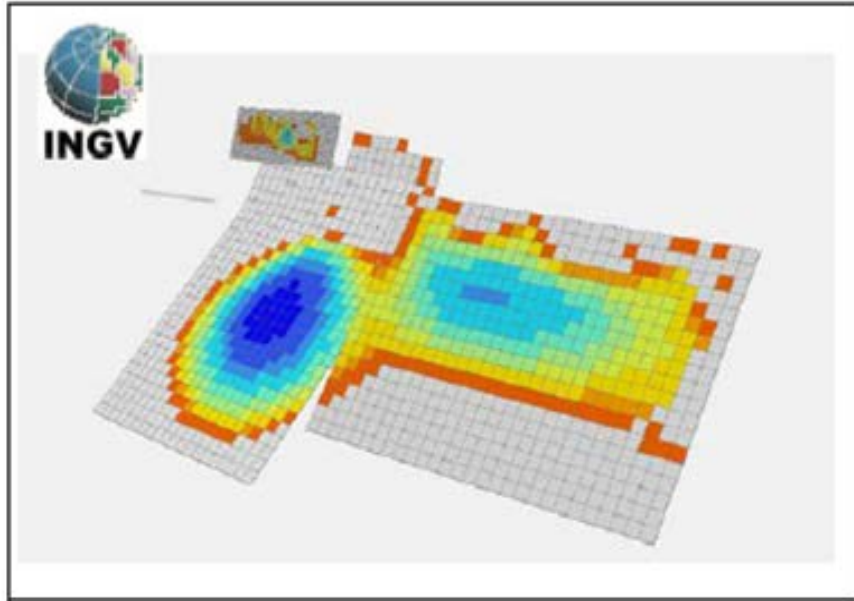
- On **24 August 2016** at 3:36:32 CEST an earthquake hit Central Italy. It measured 6.0 on the moment magnitude scale and its epicentre was close to Accumoli in a depth of 4 ± 1 km. Buildings in the villages of Amatrice, Accumoli and Arquata del Tronto collapsed and caused nearly 300 fatalities.
- The same day as the earthquake hit Central Italy, the CEOS Seismic Pilot was activated by the specialists of INGV, the national institute of Geophysics and Volcanology of Italy, with the aim to access and exploit EO data for **Active Tectonics Mapping**.
- Two months later, on **October 26**, two events of Mw 5.4 and 5.9 occurred about 30 km to the NW in Visso. These shocks were then followed on **October 30** by an earthquake of Mw 6.5 occurring close to Norcia, which further increased the damage level in the area. This was the **largest earthquake recorded in the last 30 years in Italy**.
- **Products and detailed reports** about the events were **provided to the Italian Civil Protection Department (DPC)** by the main CoC (INGV) and others CoCs (e.g. CNR-IREA)

Amatrice Earthquake: Sentinel-1, ALOS-2 and CSK Input datasets for source modeling



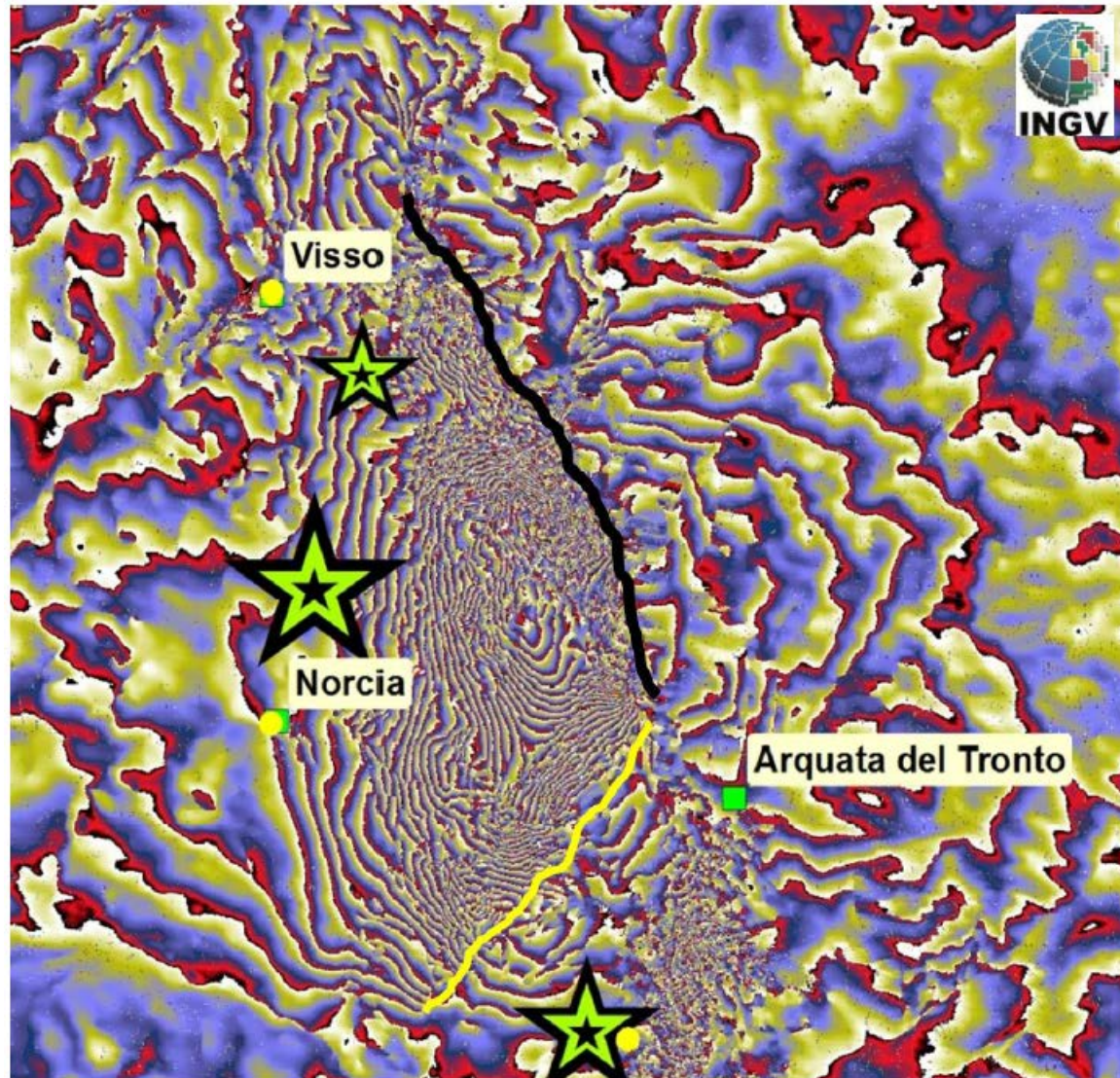
Input InSAR datasets and results of the source modeling. For each dataset the inverted data (Observed column) the model simulation (Modeled column) and the difference (Residuals column) is shown. These results refer to the source model shown in the next figure.

Amatrice Earthquake: Source model by INGV



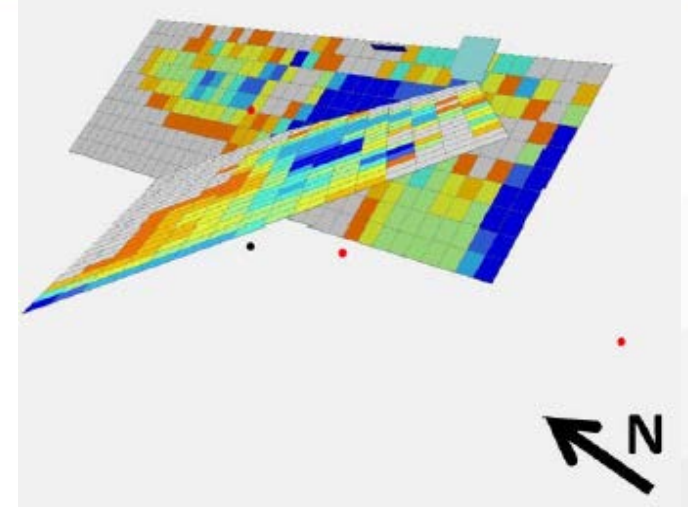
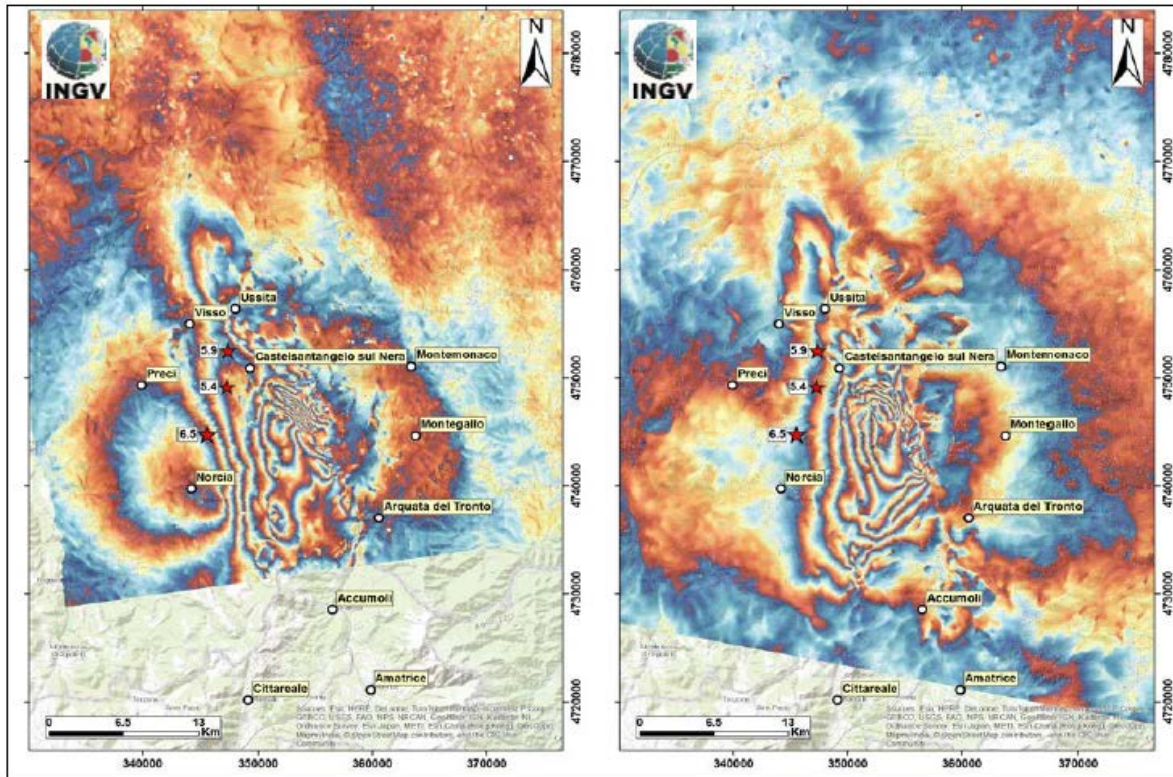
The source model for the August 24 Amatrice earthquake. It is composed of two nearly co-planar ruptures. The northern rupture shows deeper and stronger slip. The shallow small fault at the northern end simulates the gravitational deformation observed in the Monte Vettore western flank. This is not connected with the deep slip and is likely not directly related to the fault dislocation.

Visso and Norcia Earthquakes: Sentinel-1 interferogram generated by INGV



A detail of the descending Sentinel-1 interferogram, showing the **linear fringe discontinuities** corresponding to ground breakage. The black line has been identified with a co-seismic scarp with 1-2 m displacement on the Monte Vettore fault. The yellow line has not been verified into the field but may represent the surface expression of a lateral fault which has been modeled by the inversion of InSAR data.

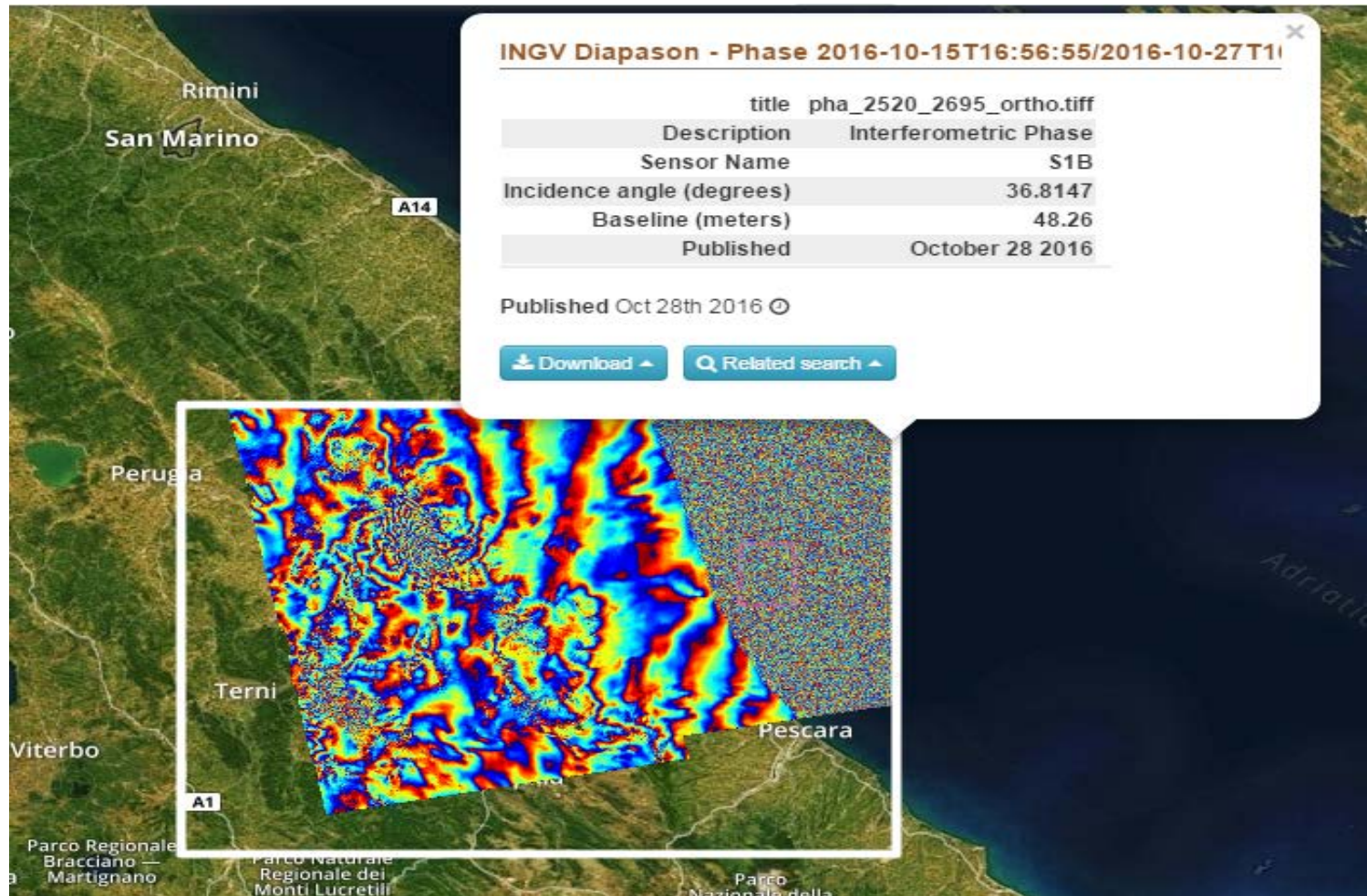
Visso and Norcia Earthquakes: Source model by INGV based on ALOS-2 interferograms (by INGV and CNR-IREA)



The source model (based on ALOS-2 unwrapped interferograms) for the October 26 and 30 events. The main rupture occurred on the Monte Vettore-Monte Bove fault, extended NNW for over 25 km.

ALOS 2 interferograms showing the cumulated ground deformation caused by the October 26 (Visso) and 30 (Norcia) earthquakes. The left image shows an ascending interferogram covering the period August 24 - November 02, 2016. The right image shows a descending interferogram covering the period August 31 - November 09. The mainshocks of October 26 and 30 are shown as red stars. Each colour fringe represents 12 cm of Line of Sight ground displacement.

2016 Visso (IT) Earthquake: example of hosted processing on the GEP

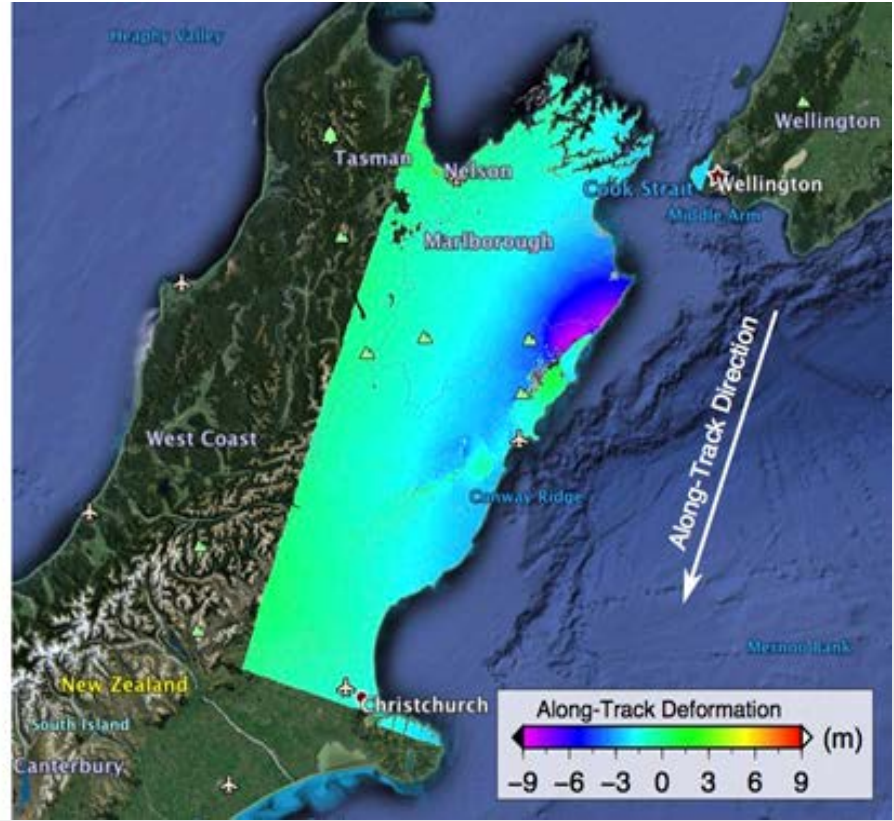
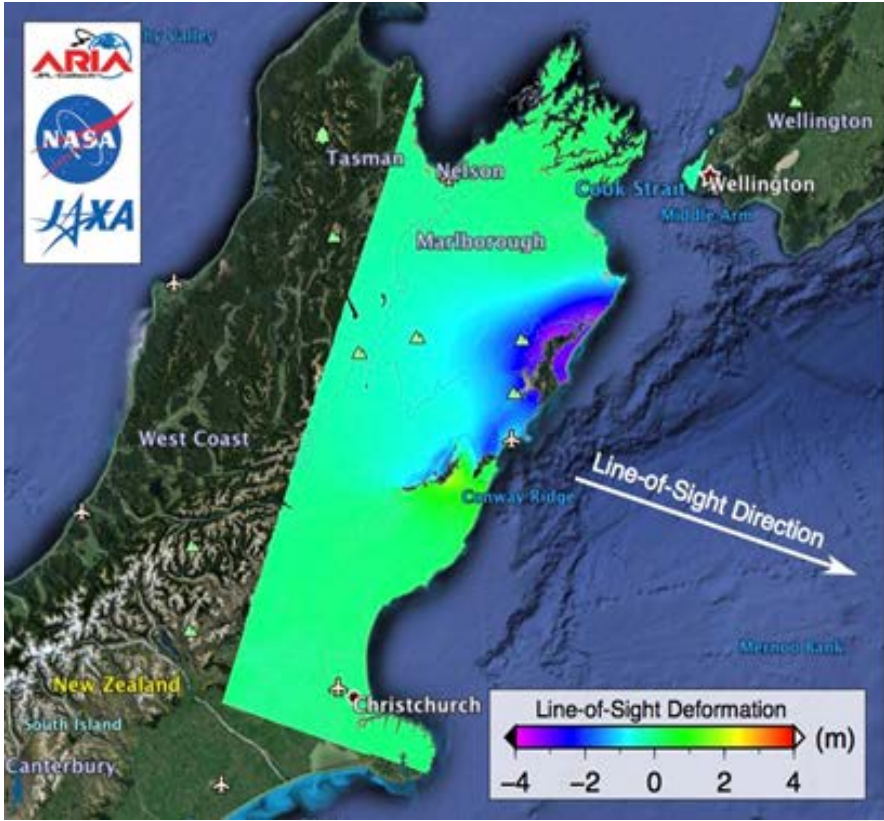


Interferogram based on the GEP-hosted processing chain DIAPASON of the French space agency CNES and **processed by INGV** using Sentinel-1 acquisitions of 15th and 27th October 2016.



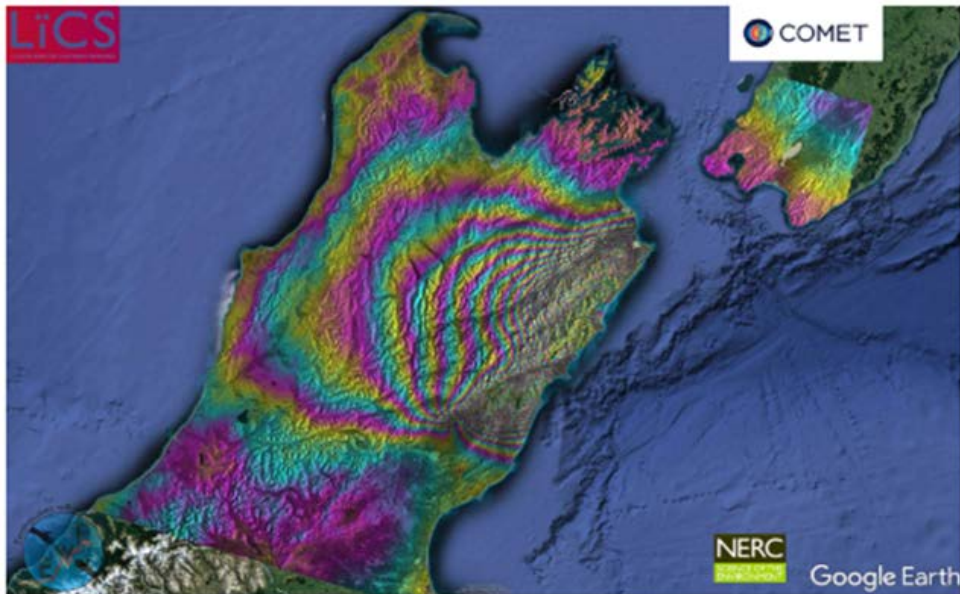
New Zealand earthquake of 13 November 2016

Kaikura (NZ) Earthquake: ALOS-2 interferograms generated by NASA JPL

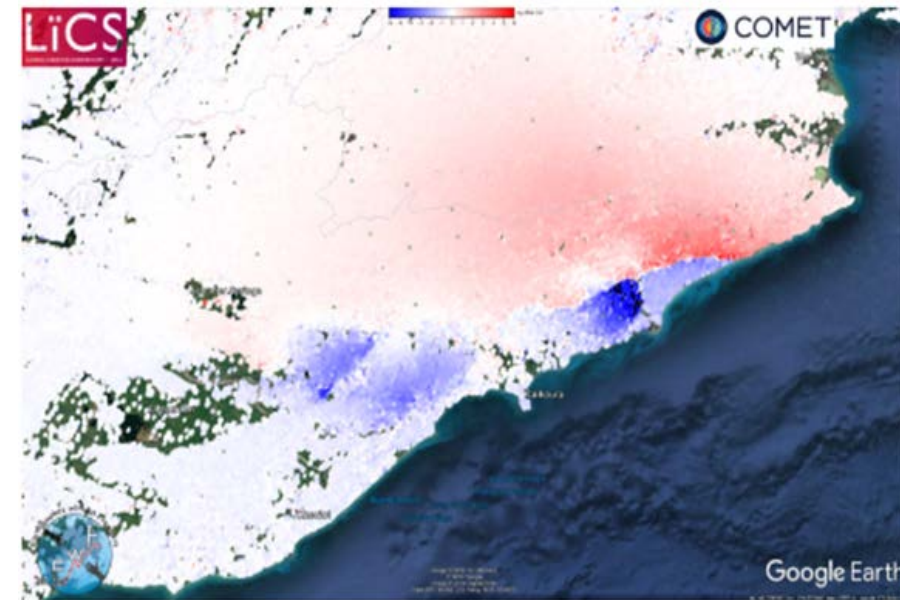


ALOS-2 data were used for the generation of interferograms showing LOS and Along Track deformation.

Kaikura (NZ) Earthquake: ALOS-2 and Sentinel -1 results generated by COMET



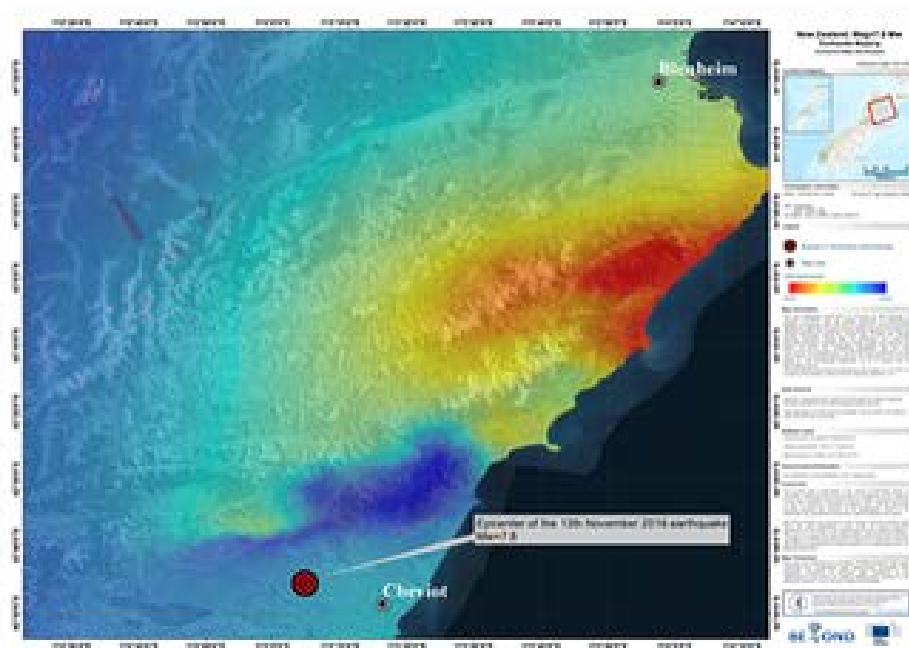
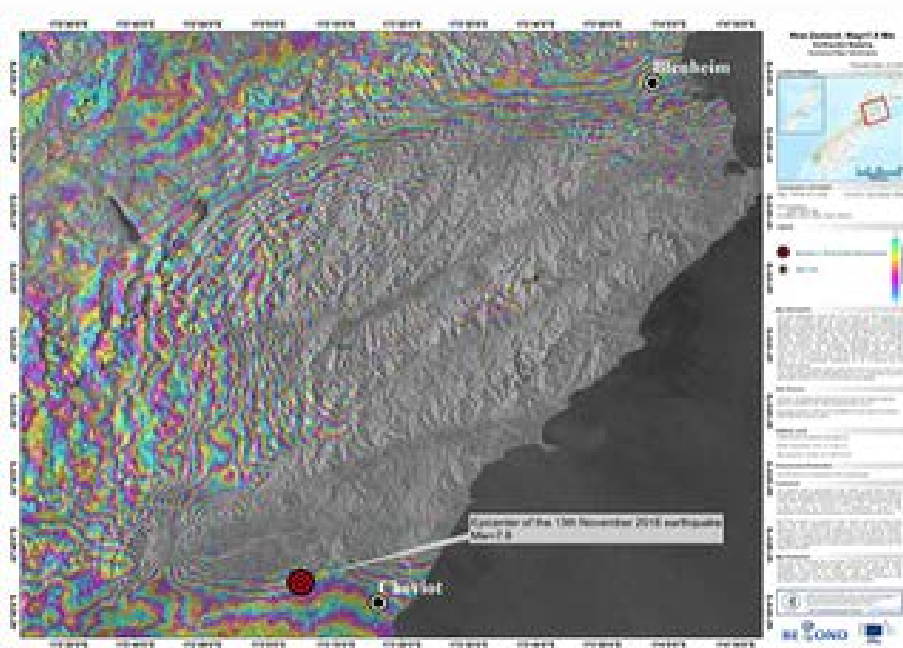
ALOS-2 interferogram from track 195 showing the coseismic displacement field after the 2016 New Zealand earthquake.



Coseismic Range Offsets from Sentinel-1 SAR data highlighting the fault trace and numerous fault segments.

- Results were online 5 hours 27 minutes after satellite acquisition.

Kaikura (NZ) Earthquake: Sentinel-1 interferograms generated by NOA



Sentinel-1 deformation maps for the New Zealand seismic event on 13 November 2016.



EO processing by COMET using the LiCSAR system

COMET-LiCSAR: Tools for automated generation of Sentinel-1 frame interferograms



SENTINEL-1 generates massive volumes of data with high duty cycle, shorter revisits, and wider swaths than previous missions (e.g. ENVISAT).

- SENTINEL-1 (12-, 24- and 48-days) interferograms corresponding to about ~1000 frames in the Alpine-Himalayan belt (Fig. 4 and Fig. 5).
 - 1) Geocoded wrapped phase [geotiff & kmz format]
 - 2) Geocoded coherence maps [geotiff & kmz format]
- Interferograms generated within 2 weeks of acquisition.

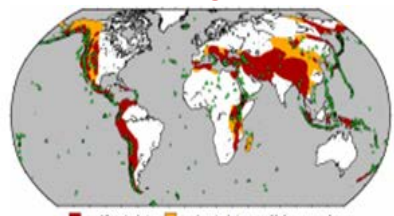
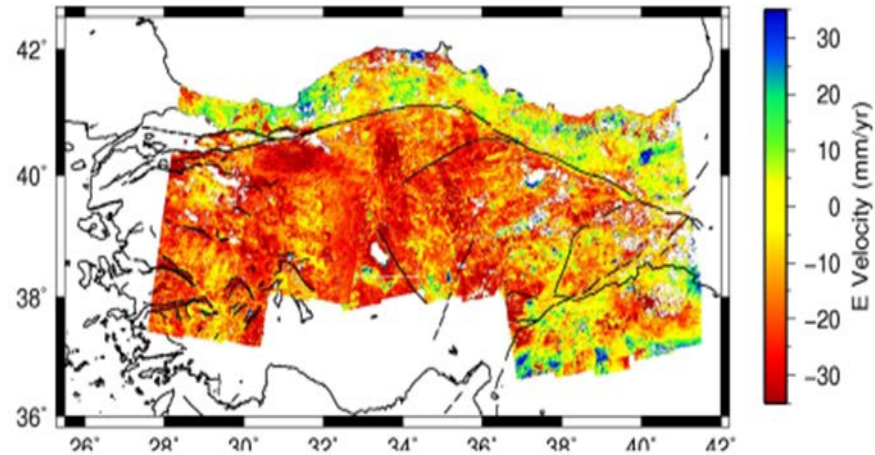


Fig. 4. Copernicus Sentinel-1 SAR images are preferentially acquired over active tectonic and volcanic areas.



East-West component of the surface displacement rates from October 2014 to April 2016 using ascending and descending passes over the entire length of the North Anatolian Fault System.

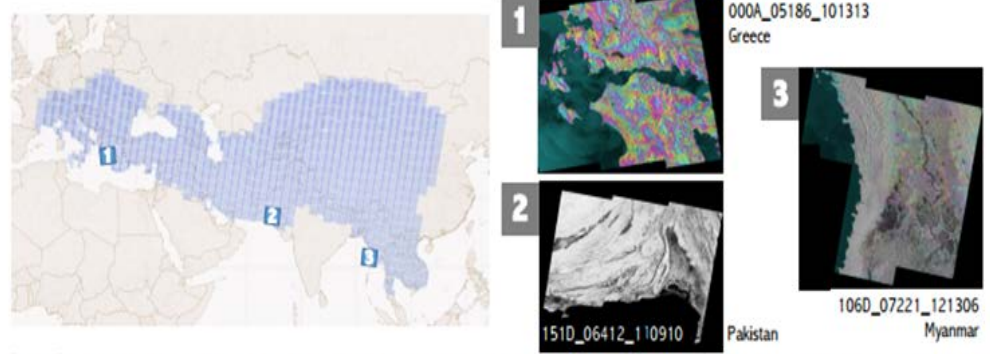


Fig. 5. The Alpine Himalaya tectonic belt has been selected for scaling the production of Sentinel-1 interferograms. Approximately 1000 frames, are currently being processed systematically. Left panel: Frames in descending mode (blue polygons). Right panel: Example interferograms and coherence maps

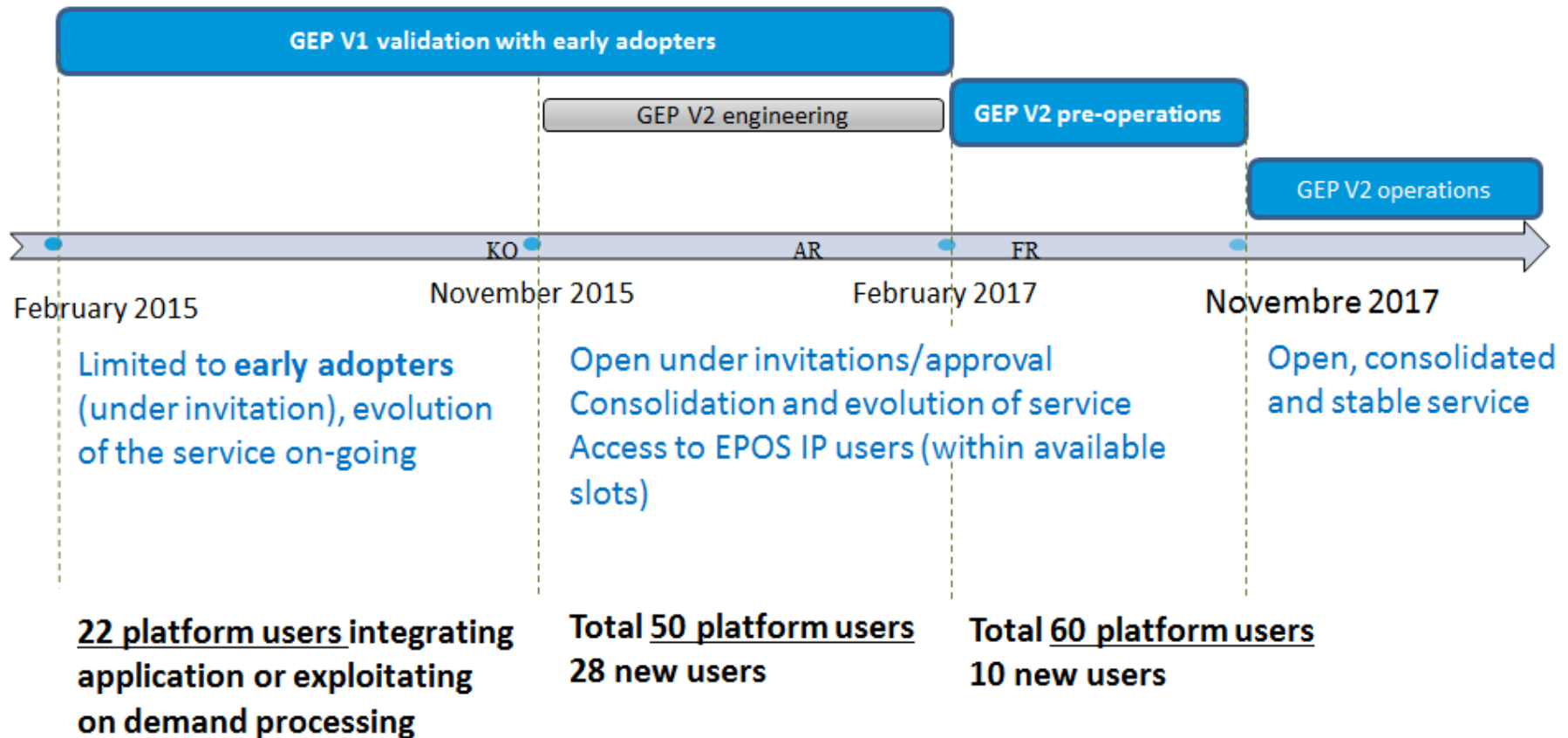
The LiCSAR InSAR products are generated within two weeks of acquisition of Sentinel-1 images. **Approximately 1000 frames are currently being processed** systematically over the **Alpine-Himalayan Belt**. **First LiCSAR results** were presented in the AGU 2016 for large scale Sentinel-1 frames processing for the **entire North Anatolian Fault**. LiCSAR products shall be **made available through GEP** in the next months. The next steps are to process a larger area and reprocess the entire Sentinel-1 mission since 2014.

<http://comet.nerc.ac.uk/COMET-LiCS-portal/>



Helping pilot users with on demand processing (GEP)

GEP Roadmap



GEP: an innovative response



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Center Italy Earthquake

On 24 August 2016, a 6.2 magnitude earthquake struck central Italy. Check interferograms from GEP community processed just few hours later the acquisition availability.

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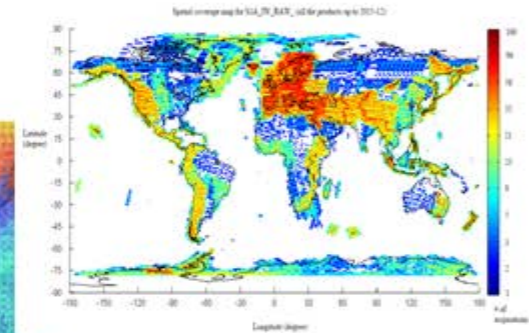
Background



Geo Browser



Activities



An Exploitation Platform sourced with **data and processing** relevant to the GeoHazards theme:

- EO data **storage** concerning wide extent tectonic analysis for which large data stacks are needed (typically 1000+ and 5000+ scenes and larger)
- Access to **advanced processing tools** (e.g. InSAR and Optical based)
- A **collaborative** work environment and scientific animation
- March 2017: **47 users**; end of 2017: **60 users**
- One of the 6 Thematic Exploitation Platforms originated by ESA
- Follows the GPOD, SSEP and TEP-Qwin precursors

Examples of *Early Adopters*, Validation Phase started in March 2015 (1)



User organisation	Areas
Ecole Normale Supérieure de Paris (France)	Etna, Italy and Corinth Rift, Greece
DLR IMF (Germany)	European tectonic mask
Altamira Information (Spain)	Test sites on landslides and earthquakes
ISTerre (France)	Subduction zones of Latin America, the NAFZ and Tibet.
INGV Roma (Italy)	Alto Tiberina Fault and Fogo Cape Verde
INGV Roma (Italy)	Marmara, East sector of NAFS
INGV Roma (Italy)	Haiti and West Java
ETH (Switzerland)	Large surface deformations caused by landslides in Bhutan Himalaya
NOA (Greece)	Geohazard sites in Greece
SATIM (Poland)	Silesia & Warsaw (Poland)
Obs. Physique du Globe de Clermont-Ferrand (France)	Piton de la Fournaise in La Réunion, Cordon del Azufre / Lastarria in Chile–Argentina
INGV Catania (Italy)	Etna & Campi Flegrei / Vesuvius
British Geological Survey (UK)	Urban areas of Great Britain
University of Leeds (UK)	Active deformation in the Alpine-Himalayan belt
ESA	Over calibration sites: Rain forest, Germany (DLR targets), Australia Milan, Chicago, Sao Paulo
ESA(Progressive Systems SLR)	Greater Cairo, South Rayan dune field, Middle Egypt province and Aswan province
CNR IREA (Italy)	Tests on Italian volcanoes and Hawaiian and Japanese volcanic and seismic areas
Universita De L' Aquila (Italy)	Abruzzo region: L' Aquila and Teramo for post-seismic ground displacements
University College of London (UK)	UK landslides
University of Rabat(Morocco)	Morocco seismic activity

Volcanoes

Earthquakes

Landslides

Subsidence

Examples of *Early Adopters*, Validation Phase started in March 2015 (2)



User organisation	Areas	
CNR ISSIA (Italy)	Indonesia	Volcanoes
IPGP (France)	Asia, N& S America, Indian Ocean	
Universidad de Concepcion (Chile)	Southern Andean zone	Earthquakes
Laboratoire de Dynamique Terrestre et Planétaire (France)	South America active volcanoes and tectonics	
BRGM (France)	French coast subsidence	Landslides
AIM CEA (France)	La Reunion	
National Cartographic Center (Iran)	Iran	Subsidence
Instituto Geologico y Minero de Espana (Spain)	SouthEast Spain	
USGS (USA)	Latin America volcanoes	
CVGHM (Indonesia)	Indonesian and Mexican volcanoes	
Yachay Tech (Ecuador)	Ecuador areas with active seismic activity and active volcanoes	
CNES (France)	Validation of tools for interferometric coherence over Syria and France	

- **47** users up to early March 2017 (4 more users have been selected to get on board in March)
- **7** of them being **CEOS pilot users** (5 Seismic pilot users and 2 Volcano pilot)
- Mainly **European users**, but also **6 users from: Asia** (Indonesia and Iran), **Africa** (Morocco), **South America** (Ecuador and Chile) and **North America** (USA).

PoC for applications: geohazards-tep@esa.int



Results from pilot work in the period March 2016- August 2016

3. Awareness – Promotion of results

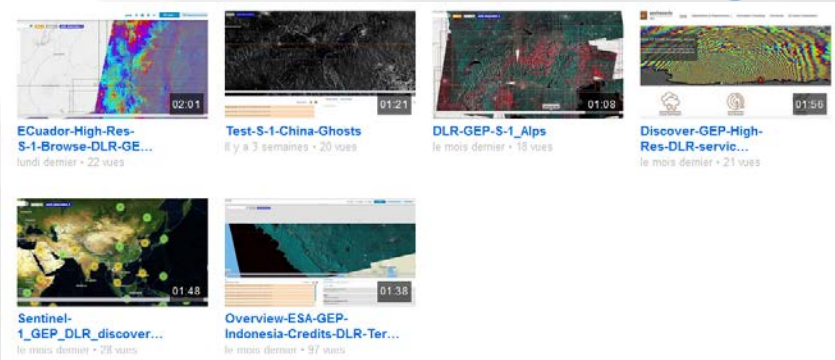
Awareness – Promotion of results



CEOS Pilot users can promote their results through:

- CEOS website (<http://ceos.org/>)
- GSNL portal (<http://www.earthobservations.org/gsnl.php>)
- Geohazards Exploitation Platform (<https://geohazards-tep.eo.esa.int/>).
- Using Sentinel-1 InSAR Browse service:
http://www.dailymotion.com/video/x5eswz2_ecuador-high-res-s-1-browse-dlr-gep_tech

A number of videos is available on how to use processing chains and generate results



Example of promotion of results on the GEP for the Central Italy Earthquake (1)

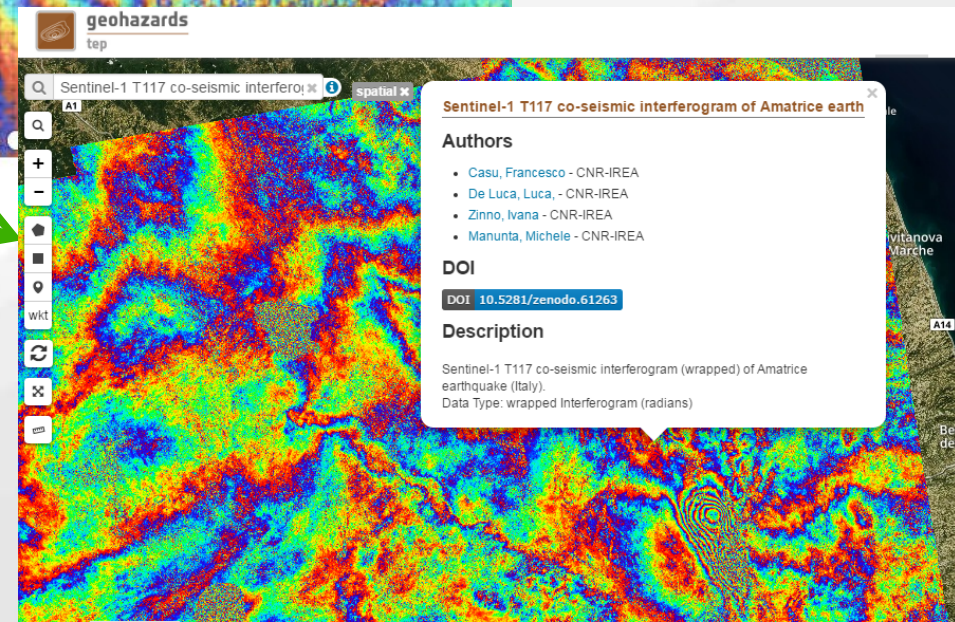
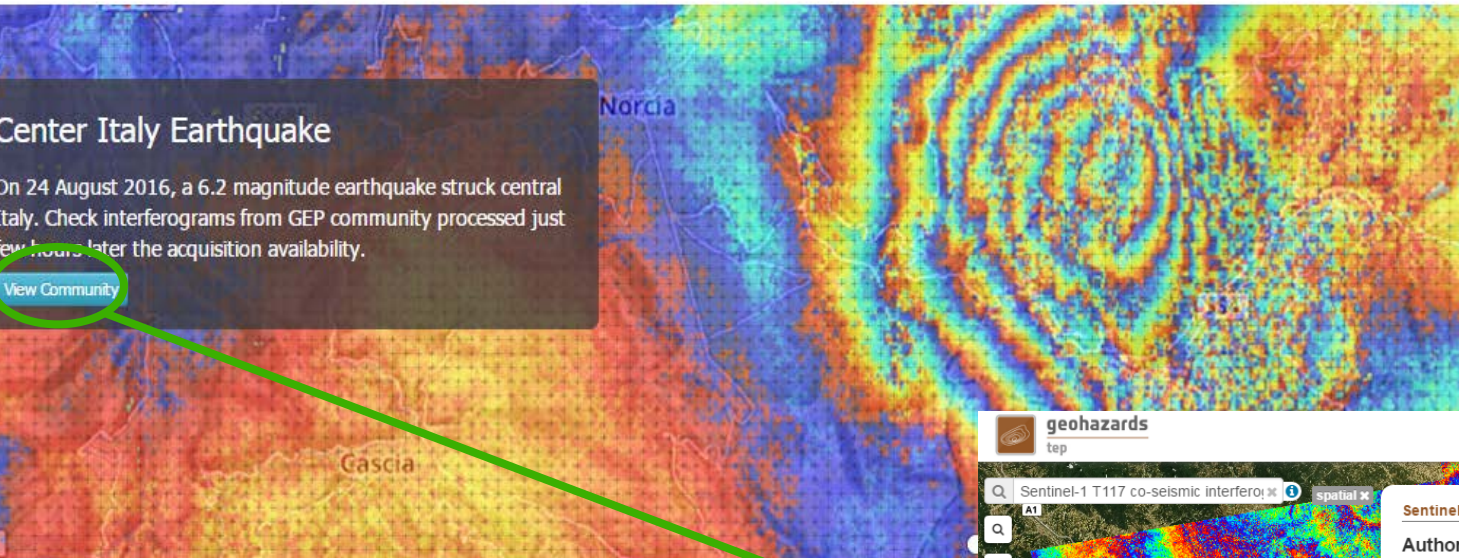


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Sentinel-1 T117 co-seismic interferogram of Amatrice earthquake (Italy) generated by CNR-IREA through the ESA G-POD platform

Example of promotion of results on the GEP for the New Zealand Earthquake (2)



Blog archive

-  **New interferogram generated in the cloud on the GEP**
11 months ago • 674 views
-  **A recent overview of the Geohazards Exploitation Platform**
a month ago • 171 views
-  **Workshop @ ETH Zurich on 25/01/2017: SBAS-DInSAR processing on the GEP**
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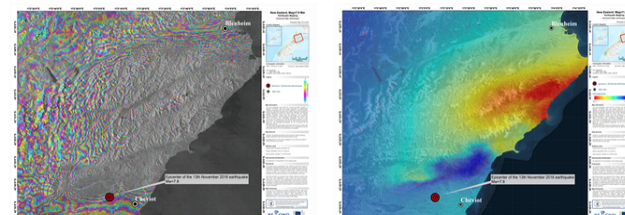
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Shortly after the earthquake, the InSar group of the [BEYOND Center of Excellence](#) acquired Sentinel-1 data through the [Hellenic National Sentinel Data Mirror Site](#), in order to calculate the interferograms that depict the ground deformation due to the earthquake.

The acquired datasets were four successive ascending Sentinel-1 Synthetic Aperture Radar images, two before (3/11/2016) the devastating earthquake, and two after (15/11/2016). The mapping unit of the BEYOND/NOA mosaicked the two SAR frames, so as to produce the full deformation picture.

More information can be found at:

<http://www.beyond-eocenter.eu/index.php/geophysical/earthquakes/new-zealand-2016>



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A number of posts are published on the GEP Blog concerning CEOS data collections, first products generated by CEOS Seismic pilot team etc. **In the example: Sentinel-1 deformation maps generated by NOAA over Kaikoura.**

Publications (1)



In total: 20 papers, 2 presentations, 2 posters and 3 web-articles published.

NOA

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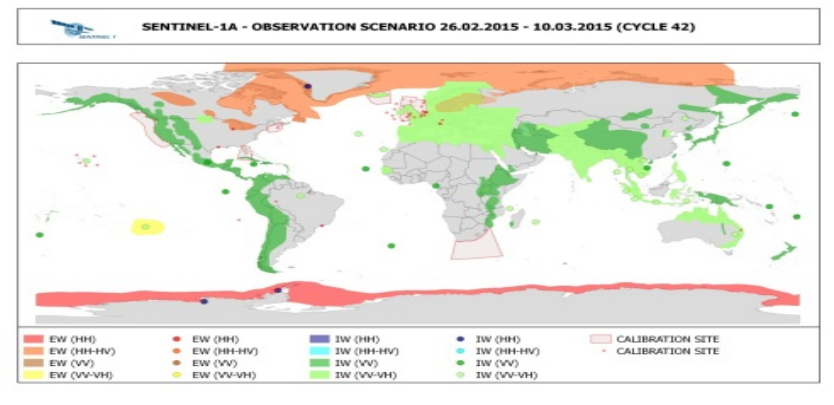
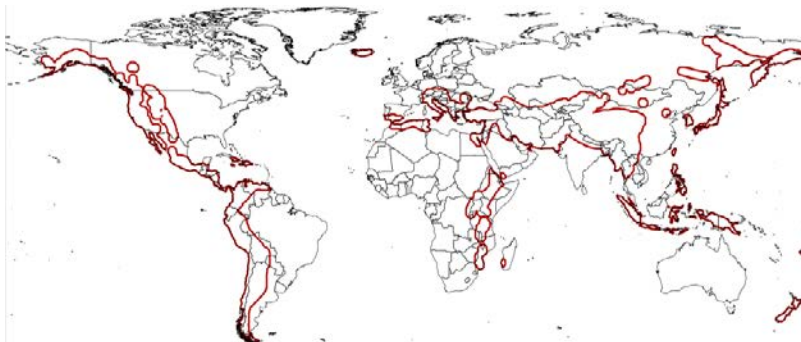
Results from pilot work in the period March 2016- August 2016

4. Observations strategy

Observations strategy



- **Continuous exchanges between Seismic Hazards pilot lead and Sentinel-1 mission Project Manager in order to cover the entire tectonic mask. There is a high correlation between the Sentinel-1 acquisitions and target areas of the pilot community.**



- **Study of the examination of the gaps of existing acquisition plans over megacities in areas of high seismic risk: Most sites are at least partially covered by SAR sensor and are:**
 - sites with high repeat coverage using Sentinel-1 and ALOS-2
 - sites with rare coverage using ascending or descending acquisitions from Radarsat-2, TerraSAR X, and COSMO-SkyMed.

<https://sites.google.com/a/ingv.it/satellite-monitoring-of-geohazard-prone-megacities---satgeomeg/home>



Issues and risks associated to the execution of the pilot

Issues & risks identified



- User base consists essentially of EO and geophysical science users. The way to reach end-users is through a science user.
- Earthquake response: difficult to identify end-users in advance as earthquake location and time are not predictable
- Accounting of data accessed can be difficult in absence of user feedback.
- Organizing data supply to users has been time-consuming.
- Moving from standalone processing to an ecosystem of hosted services is time consuming and requires changes of behavior. However, low level tasks (data selection, data fetching, selection of set up of processing chains) are not a burden to users anymore, showing direct benefit to users.

In the context of pilot; many opportunities have been identified and are discussed in later in the Sustainability Strategy.



Sustainability strategy

Achievements against pilot objectives



Based on the Seismic Hazards pilot objectives, the following were achieved:

Objective A

Strain rate mapping:

- ✓ The methodology is validated
- ✓ The global production has started; the entire length of the North Anatolian Fault System has been already processed

Active fault mapping:

- ✓ Stereo optical data used to support fault reconnaissance mapping locally over limited areas
- ✓ Potential of exploiting stereo data for both DEM generation and deformation mapping has been demonstrated

Objective B

- ✓ The GEP successfully supported the GSNL experts for data delivery, on demand processing chains and the integration of chains dedicated to GSNL activities

Objective C

- ✓ The Seismic pilot provided support response to 8 earthquakes with magnitude > 5.8 in 5 countries since November 2014
- ✓ In a few cases, products derived from pilot work were used by end users

Further achievements:

- ✓ Collaboration with EO mission operators to optimize coverage against thematic priority areas of the pilot: There is a high correlation between the Sentinel-1 acquisitions and target areas of the pilot community
- ✓ Study of the examination of the acquisition plans' gaps over megacities in areas of high seismic risk: Most sites are at least partially covered by SAR sensor

In total: 21 publications, 2 presentations, 2 posters and 5 web-stories/articles stemmed out of pilot work.

Detailed Achievements



Based on the Seismic Hazards pilot objectives, the following were achieved:

Objective A

Strain rate mapping:

- ✓ The methodology is validated and the global production has started, strain rate measurements will be available within Q4 2017
- ✓ Development of tools for automated generation of Sentinel-1 frame interferograms; the entire length of the North Anatolian Fault System has been already processed

Active fault mapping:

- ✓ Stereo optical data used to support fault reconnaissance mapping locally over limited areas
- ✓ The pilot has shown the potential of exploiting stereo data for both DEM generation and deformation mapping in the instance of an earthquake (currently such methods cannot be deployed due to technical and cost barriers)

Objective B

- ✓ The GEP successfully provided support to the GSNL for data delivery
- ✓ The GEP provided on demand processing chains (e.g. the CNES chain DIAPASON)
- ✓ The GEP supported GSNL experts for the integration of chains dedicated to GSNL activities (e.g. SISTEM with INGV Catania)

Objective C

- ✓ The Seismic pilot provided support response to 8 earthquakes with magnitude > 5.8 in 5 countries since November 2014
- ✓ The pilot managed to demonstrate the value of InSAR based products, which provide critical information about precise terrain motion
- ✓ In a few cases, products derived from pilot work were used by end users (e.g. Italian Civil Protection Department/DPC)
- ✓ Effort (through on-going discussions) to reach geoscience centers and end-users, to be continued in a follow-on activity
- ✓ Good articulation with Charter: an agreement was put in place to share pilot products with the Charter PM to support end users with hazard mapping products.

Further achievements:

- ✓ Collaboration with EO mission operators (e.g. Sentinel-1) to optimize coverage against thematic priority areas of the pilot
- ✓ Study of the examination of the gaps of existing acquisition plans over megacities in areas of high seismic risk: Most sites are at least partially covered by SAR sensor

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Lessons learnt from the pilot (1)



Scope and objectives

- Pilots with **clear objectives** (concrete community objectives, scientific products, operational context)
- **Good articulation** with Charter & Copernicus EMS: no confusion nor interference with operational disaster response capabilities.

Data order & delivery

- **Procedure to obtain** post-event **EO data acquisitions** sometimes **too slow**.
- Some data sources made available **very late** in the project,

Data exploitation

- **VHRO very useful** for fault reconnaissance mapping (Obj. A & C)
- **Sentinel-1 data boosted the use of SAR data for strain rate maps**, at least over areas with considerable ground deformation.
- **Use of X-band data very useful to measure creep and local strain accumulation** across large fault zones (results will be provided by June 2017).
- **Successful use of SAR data** for Obj. C in most cases, however limitations due to lack of pre-event SAR coverage.
- Many users hardly provide **detailed feedback**, hence difficulty in **accounting for data used**.

Access to hosted processing to simplify EO exploitation

- Users don't have to download large data files (benefit in countries with Internet bandwidth limitations)
- Users don't have to be processing experts (EO chains are automated);
- Users can share, compare, reprocess data (persistency of results, back analysis)

Lessons learnt from the pilot (2)



Seismic pilot and end users

- The pilot carefully **addresses expectations of expert users (partners) and end users.**
- Work with expert users to **adapt geo-information to ensure products are exploited / adopted by end users / decision makers.**
- **Pre-existing relationship between the providers of the scientific information and the local decision-makers is fundamental** to ensure the timely uptake of the information during the emergency.
- Important to **provide local users/decision makers with results generated with a consensus method** when there is limited capacity to interpret EO based measurements.

Recommendations about advanced products for earthquake response:

- Improving the accuracy of ground deformation measurements requires **a multi-sensor InSAR coverage is needed.** At least one X-, C- and L- interferogram to be used for each orbit direction
- For timeliness and accuracy, **several InSAR datasets need to be made available** to generate the preliminary source models useful for the initial situational awareness.
- Improve source detail: **Constrain modeling with ground-based information and invert SAR results with geodetic and seismic data** (GPS displacements, strong motion data, broadband seismograms).

Challenges identified



Challenges identified:

- many users aren't **aware or cannot afford** EO based solutions
- EO techniques need to be **adopted by users** (standards, norms)
- some new EO missions' data are **large in volume**
- some EO applications require **complex or intensive processing**
- some EO applications require to **maintain, reprocess and compare** EO based VA products
- the EO data and derived VA products are **costly to generate** for the objectives of the community (e.g. with regional/global coverage)

Threats in case of no follow-on after the pilot



Largest threat in sustainability of the activity: **end of data contribution by CEOS agencies.** This may lead to:

- **Acquisitions' gaps** in on-going work and studies until a follow-on activity is accepted and implemented.
- **Jeopardising collaborations** established during the pilot activity
 - In transitional period between the end of the pilot and the implementation of a follow-on activity: the team might be dispersed into separate DRM activities.
- **Activity limited in using open access data (Sentinel, Landsat)** while the main objective of CEOS and is to increase and strengthen the use of relevant satellite EO in DRM (in particular VHR SAR and VHRO).

Proposed approach



Initiate a follow-on activity, with the following objectives:

Not on an emergency basis

1. Pursue global strain rate mapping (Obj. A) that is a long process
2. Scale-up active fault mapping (Obj. A) from regional to global coverage primarily with VHRO for fault reconnaissance mapping
3. Pursue support to GSNL
4. Develop a collaborative framework with geoscience centres to achieve adoption of technology by decision makers, establish a consensus methodology for product generation and reach decision makers (e.g. mandated Disaster Response authorities).
5. Demonstrate efficiency of EO-based monitoring methodologies as a complement to in-situ measurements

On an emergency basis

1. Exploit EO data to derive advanced tectonic products for earthquake response (Obj. C) Expand the earthquake response products with the target of at least 3 EQ per year
2. Increase product level
3. Articulate with EO disaster response capabilities e.g. the Charter to make sure users are aware of and use it (typically satellite based damage maps).

Benefit to users



- **Academia:** able to access data for scientific research.
- **Geoscience centers already contributing to the Seismic pilot activities (part of the activity):**

The **seismic** expert user team (partners), will:

- a) access EO data for research and response to earthquakes
- b) establish a consensus methodology for providing more accurate information to end users

- **Geoscience centers doing research or with a mandated to provide technical advice to national Disaster Response authorities (recipients of products, out of the CEOS activity)** will retrieve advanced science products to **analyse the events and the impact and better support the decision making process.**

Data expected by the community for follow-on activities



Agency	ASI Cosmo-SkyMed	CNES Pleiades	CSA RADARSAT	DLR TerraSAR-X	ESA Sentinel-1 & 2	JAXA ALOS-2
Number of Images <u>per year</u> for Seismic Hazards	200-400	50-100	50-100	60-120	open	60-120

- Other EO data collections (SAR and Optical including VHRO) to be exploited with processing without download (EO data are accessed by the processing environment but the user can only download the value adding product).

Next steps



- **Identify contributors and users.**
- **Identify coordinators/leads, responsible for:**
 - receiving data requests
 - approving requests (after consultancy from the expert users)
 - ordering data and coordinate with the DCT
 - making available the data
 - making available the advanced science products
 - liaising with expert users and end-users for any issues that concern data order, data access and data exploitation
 - reporting on activities
 - developing links with other WG Disasters activities
 - making sure results are published
 - maintaining a list of all activations with information such as the timeliness of facts (data request, data order, data provision, first result etc.), requestor, the data distribution list, the number and type of data provided, the results, publications based on the results etc.

For further information: Geohazards Lab initiative presentation.

Steps beyond 2017:



- Q4 2017 - Required **data volumes** identified and agreed
- Q3 2018 - Define procedures to access **data**.
- Q4 2018 - Develop a procedure to make data available in a **timely** fashion.
- Q1 2020 - Develop a **collaborative framework with geoscience centres** and coordinate with them for bridging the gap with end users.
- Q2 2020 - Help end users better **understand advanced EO methods**.

Conclusion



- Seismic Hazards pilot **successfully addressed seismic hazards** by providing:
 - ❑ access to data
 - ❑ access to tools and hosted processing mainly after emergencies.
- **Primarily focused on EO practitioners** and has few end users (e.g. DPC)
- **Well-set example** to establish the basis of a new initiative, well-perceived by contributing geoscience centres.
- Pilot leads have started gathering contributions from space agencies and other partners.
- Proposed follow-on initiative:
 - ❑ the first analysis of the follow on identifies objectives from the Santorini report <http://esamultimedia.esa.int/docs/EarthObservation/Geohazards/esa-geo-hzrd-2012.pdf> and has also new specific objectives (5+3 objectives taking into account the 3 objectives of the pilot)



Thank you!