



# JAXA agency report

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# JAXA Activities

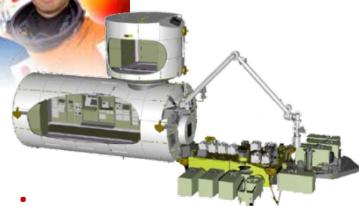
## Space Transportation



## Aviation Programs



## Human Space Activities



## Space Science



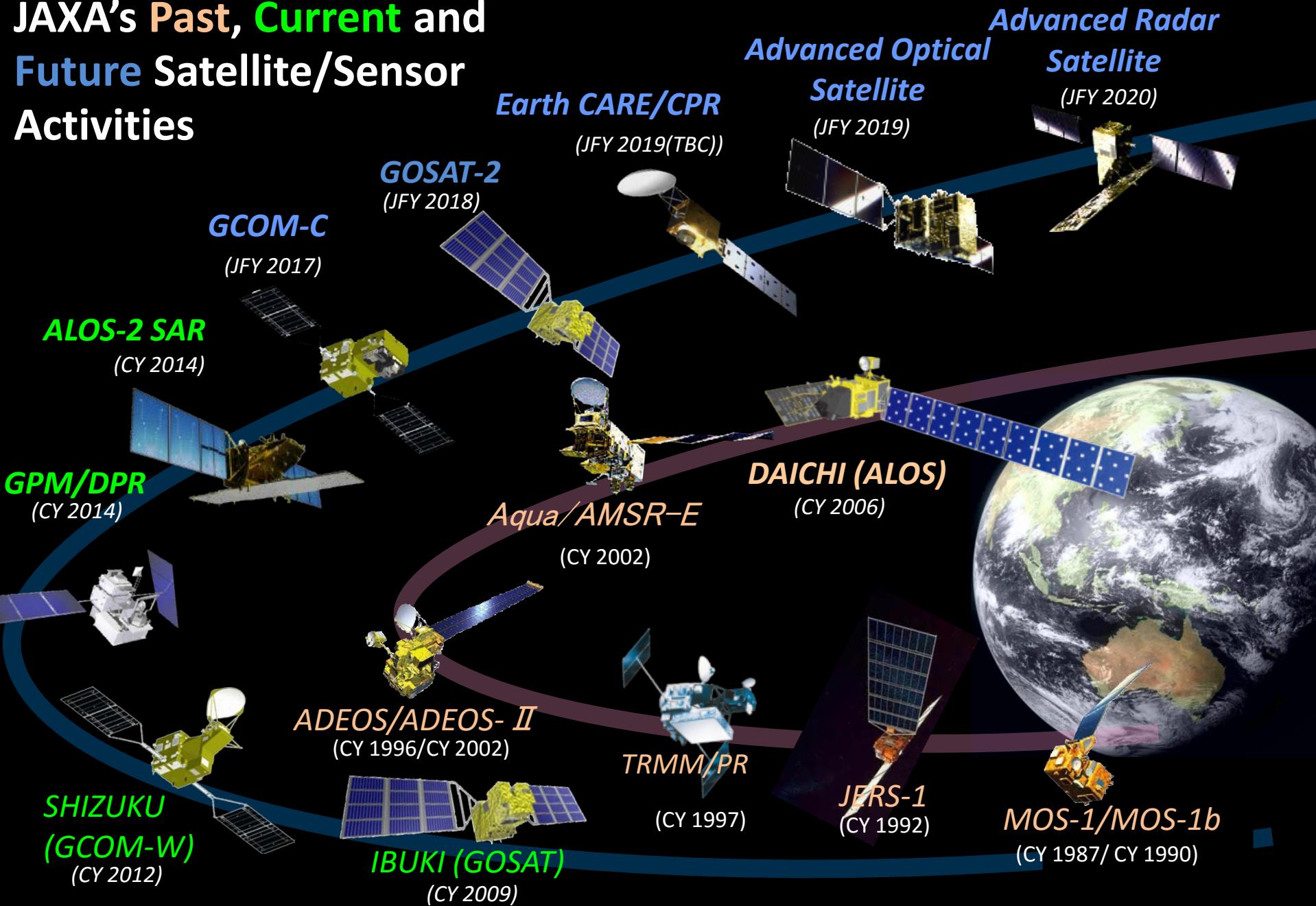
## Satellite Programs



## Lunar & Planetary Exploration Programs



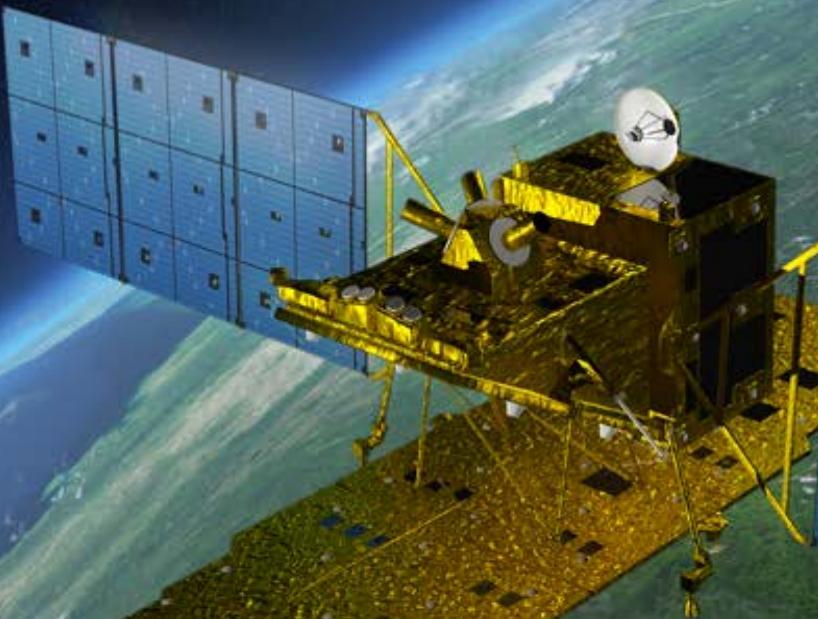
# JAXA's Past, Current and Future Satellite/Sensor Activities





# Satellites in Operation

# ALOS-2



- ALOS-2 is equipped with a radar called PALSAR-2 as an observation instrument.
- The radar is capable of observing the land surface day-and-night and regardless of weather conditions.
- With this radar, ALOS-2 has an advantage in capturing land deformation, forest and vegetation conditions.

Application	Disaster, Land, Agriculture, Natural Resources, Sea Ice & Maritime Safety
L-band SAR (PALSAR-2)	Stripmap: 3 to 10m res., 50 to 70 km swath ScanSAR: 100m res., 350km/490km swath Spotlight: 1 × 3m res., 25km swath
Orbit	Sun-synchronous orbit Altitude: 628km Local sun time : 12:00 +/- 15min Revisit: 14days Orbit control: $\leq$ +/-500m
Life time	5 years (target: 7 years)
Launch	JFY2013, H-IIA launch vehicle
Downlink	X-band: 800Mbps(16QAM) 400/200Mbps(QPSK) Ka-band: 278Mbps (Data Relay)
Experimental Instrument	Compact InfraRed Camera (CIRC) Space-based Automatic Identification System Experiment 2 (SPAISE2)

# Global Precipitation Measurement Mission (GPM)

GPM is US-Japan space cooperation for monitoring global precipitation. GPM core satellite with DPR was launched on February 28, 2014.



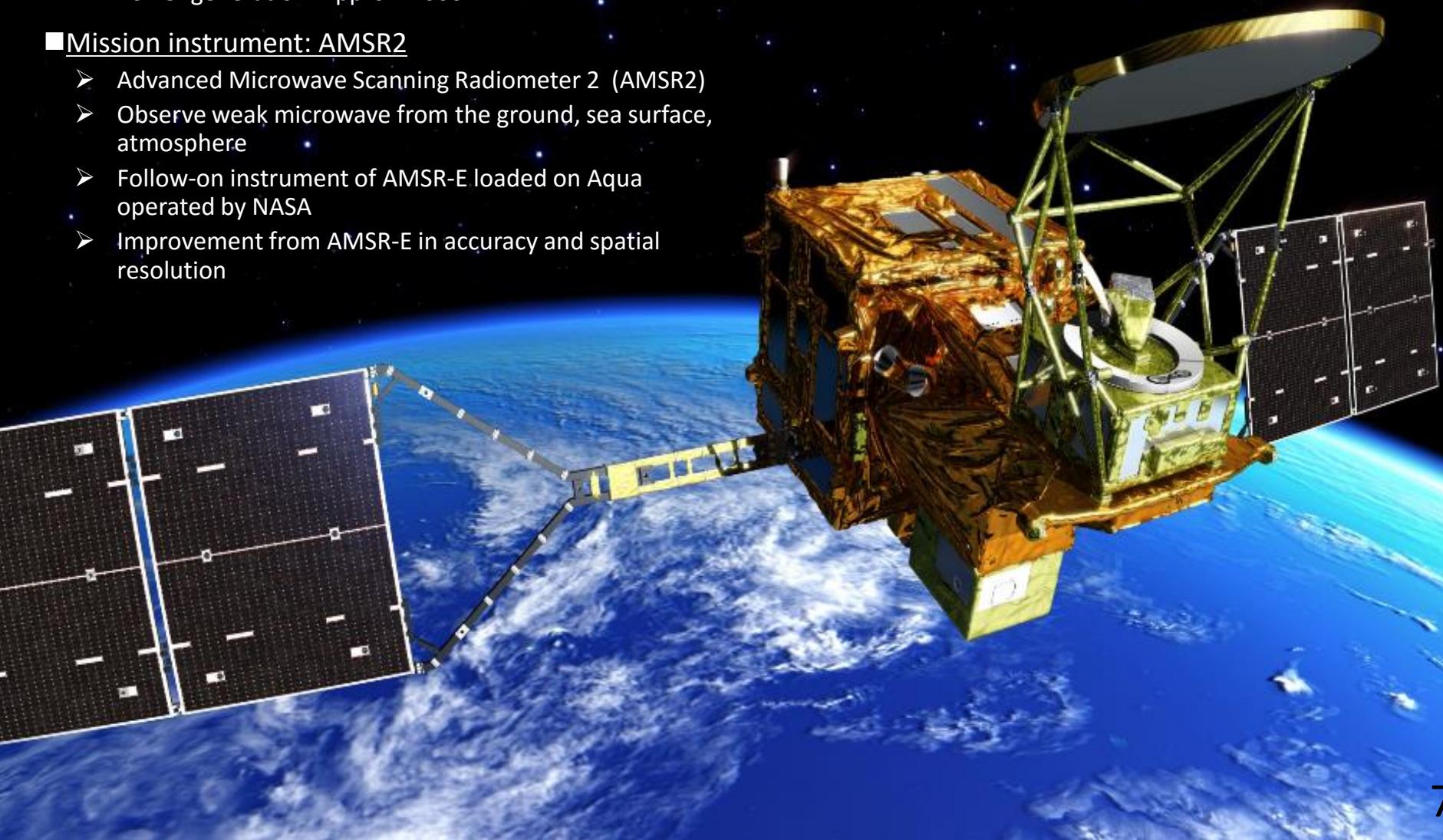
# GCOM-W (Global Climate Observation Mission): Water

## ■ SHIZUKU: Medium size satellite

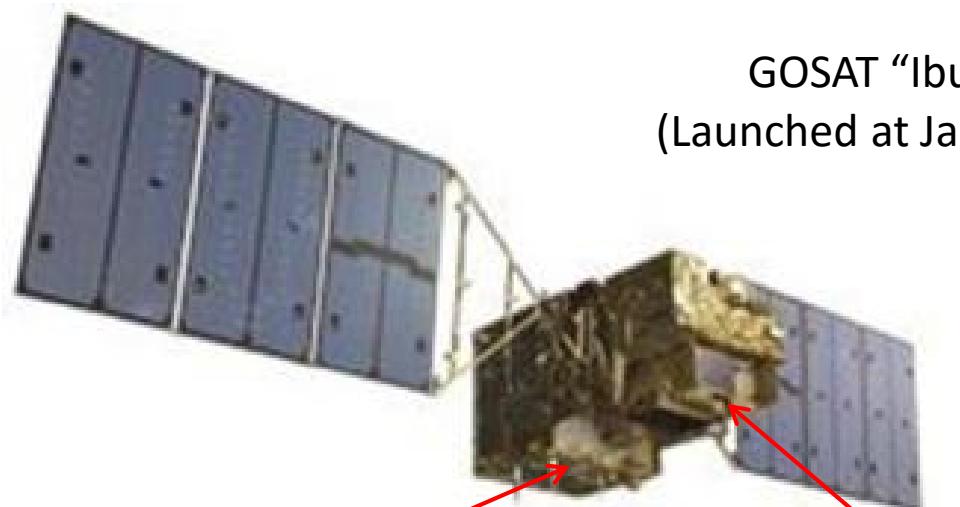
- Weight: Approx. 2 tons
- Size: 5.1m(L) × 17.5m(W) × 3.4m(H)
- Power generation: Approx. 4000W

## ■ Mission instrument: AMSR2

- Advanced Microwave Scanning Radiometer 2 (AMSR2)
- Observe weak microwave from the ground, sea surface, atmosphere
- Follow-on instrument of AMSR-E loaded on Aqua operated by NASA
- Improvement from AMSR-E in accuracy and spatial resolution



# Greenhouse Gases Observing Satellite (GOSAT)



GOSAT “Ibuki”  
(Launched at Jan. 2009)

FTS  
(Fourier Transform  
Spectrometer)

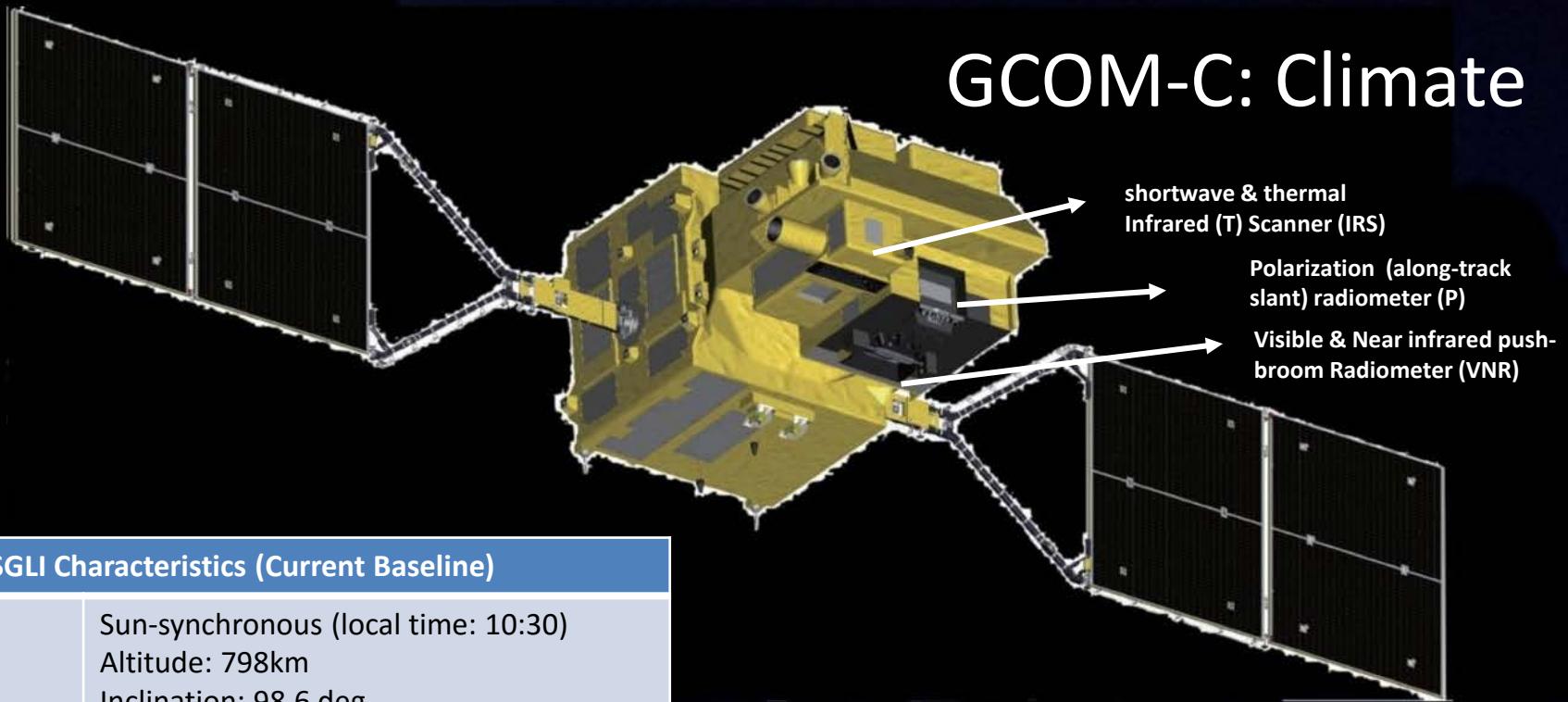
CAI  
(Cloud and  
Aerosol Imager)

- Measure global distribution of GHGs, and understand how their emission is reduced.
- The only operation satellite for monitoring CO<sub>2</sub> and methane from space



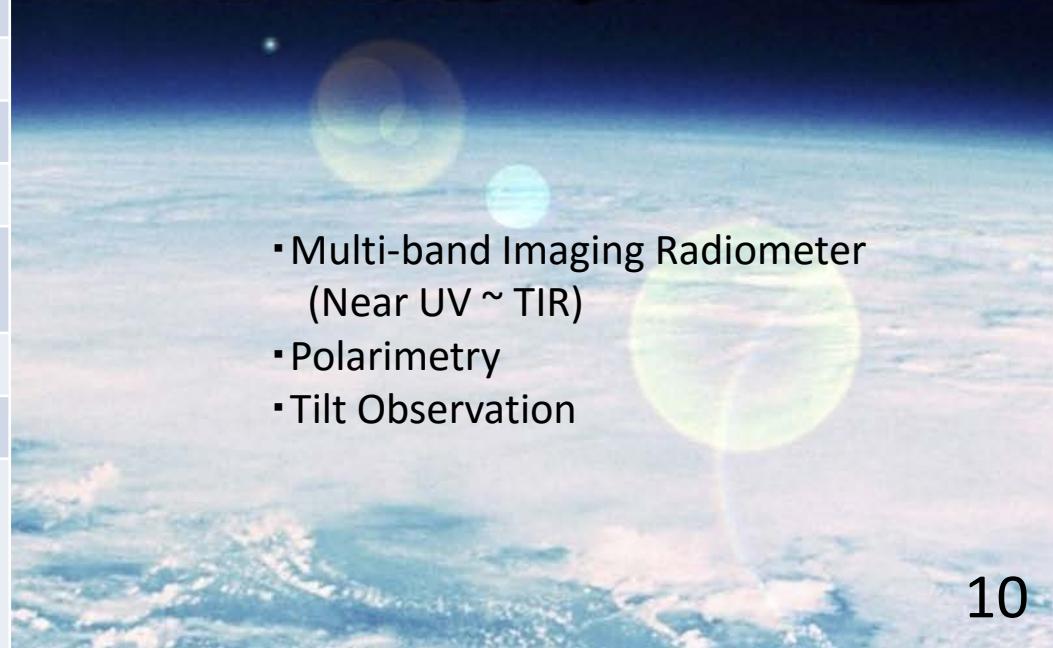
# Future Missions

# GCOM-C: Climate

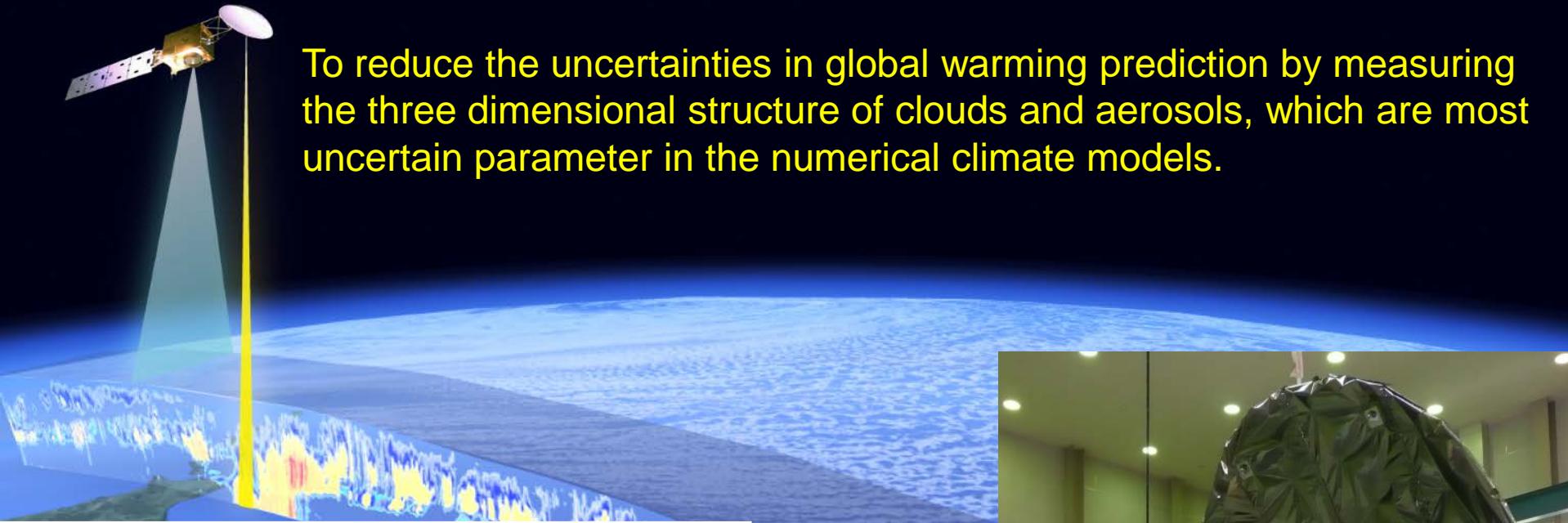


## GCOM-C SG LI Characteristics (Current Baseline)

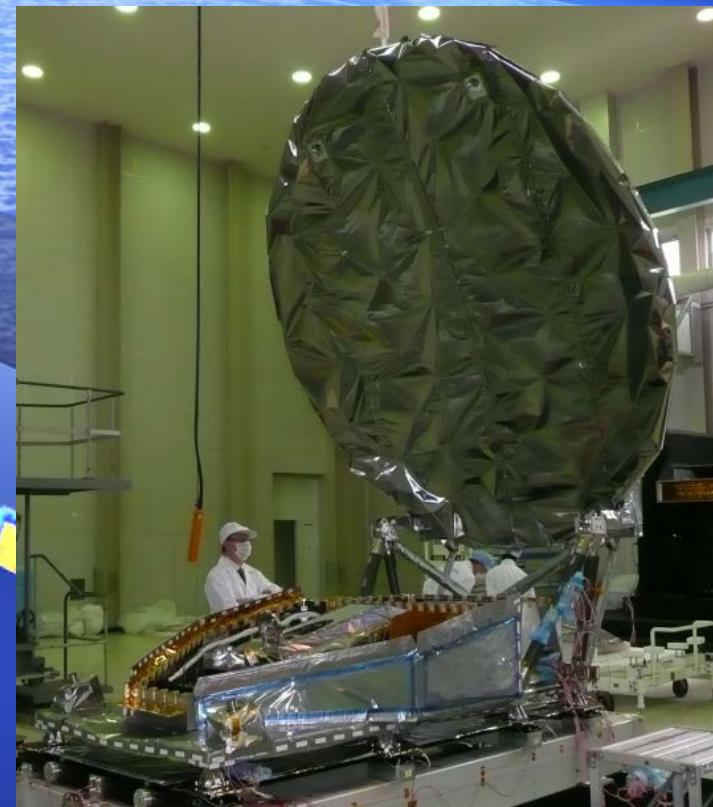
Orbit	Sun-synchronous (local time: 10:30) Altitude: 798km Inclination: 98.6 deg.
Launch	2017
Power/Mass	About 4kw/798kg
Mission Life	5 years
Scanning	Push-broom electric scanning Wisk-broom mechanical scanning
Digitalization	12 bit
Polarization	3 Polarizations angles
Sensor	SG LI (Second Generation Land Imager) Band: 380nm~12μm (19 bands) Resolution: 250m~1km Swath: 1150~1400km



# Earth Cloud, Aerosol and Radiation Explorer (EarthCARE)

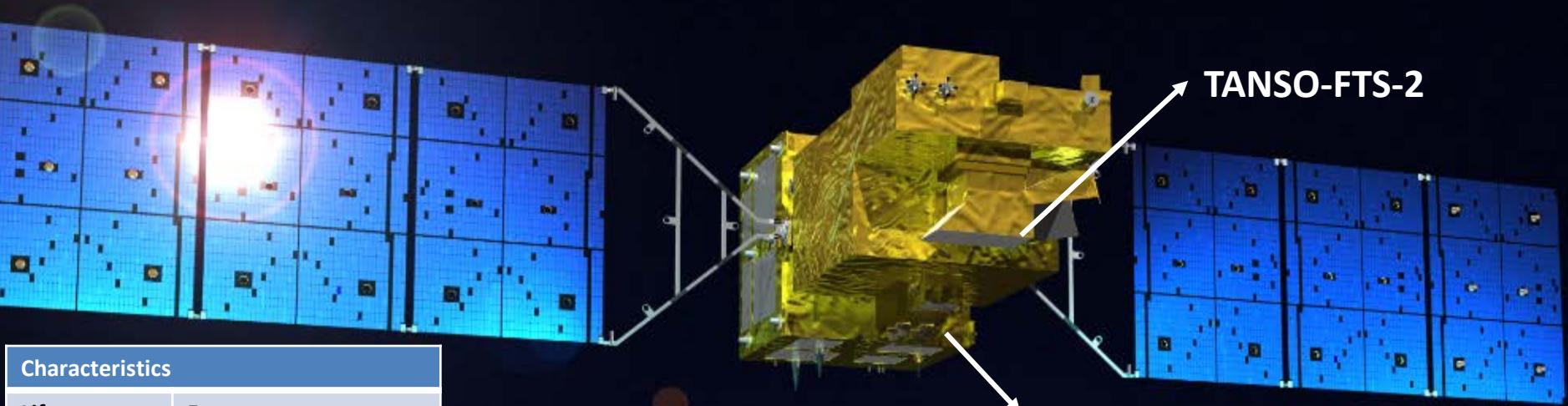


Characteristics	
Life	3 years
Orbit	Sun-Synchronous (around 400km)
Mass/Power	About 2.2 t/ about 3.4 kw
Launch	FY 2019 (TBC)
Instruments	CPR: Cloud Profiling Radar (JAXA/NICT) ATLID: Atmospheric Lidar (ESA) MSI: Multi-Spectral Imager (ESA) BBR: Broadband Radiometer (ESA) Satellite bus: Airbus DS Satellite launch: ESA



CPR (Cloud Profile Radar)

# GOSAT-2



Characteristics	
Life	5 years
Orbit	Sun-Synchronous (628km)
Mass	About 2 t
Launch	FY 2018
Observation Values	CO <sub>2</sub> , CH <sub>4</sub> and CO Accuracy: 0.5 ppm (CO <sub>2</sub> ) and 5 ppb (CH <sub>4</sub> ) at 500-km mesh over earth's surface

TANSO-FTS-2

TANSO-CAI-2

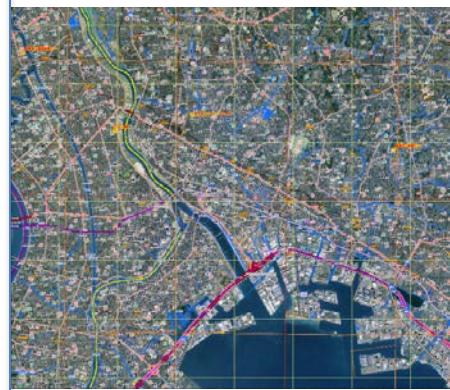
	Band 1	Band 2	Band 3	Band 4	Band 5	
Target Gases	O <sub>2</sub>	CO <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> O	CO <sub>2</sub> , CH <sub>4</sub> , CO, H <sub>2</sub> O			
Spectral Coverage (μm)	0.75-0.77	1.56-1.69	1.92-2.33	5.5-8.4	8.4-14.3	
Spectral Coverage (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	12,950 - 13,250	5,900 - 6,400	4,200 - 5,200	1,188 - 1,800	700 - 1,188	
Spectral Resolution	0.2 cm <sup>-1</sup>					
Exposure	4 sec					
IFOV	9.7 km					
Pointing	±40 deg. (Along track), ±35 deg. (Cross track)					
Polarimetry	Yes (P and S channels)		No			

	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	B8	B9	B10		
Spectral Band (nm)	333 - 353	433 - 453	664 - 684	859 - 879	1585 - 1675	370 - 390	540 - 560	664 - 684	859 - 879	1585 - 1675		
Tilt	+20 deg. (Forward viewing)								-20 deg. (Backward viewing)			
Spatial Resolution	460 m				920m			460 m				
Swath	920 km											

# ALOS successors: Advanced Optical Satellite and Radar Satellite

## Advanced Optical Satellite

### Hazard Map

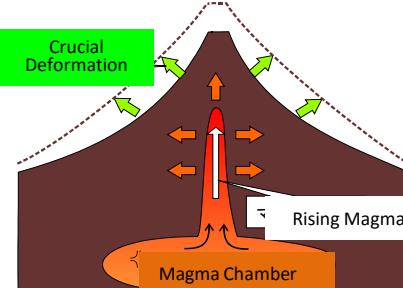
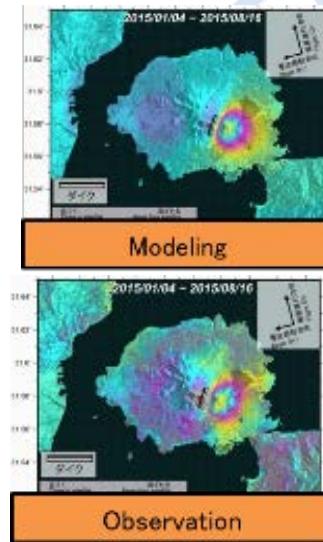


### Characteristics

Life	7 years
Orbit	Sun-Synchronous (670km)
Mass	About 2.7 t
Launch	FY 2019
Resolution	Panchromatic : 0.8m (swath: 70km) Multi: 3.2m (swath: 70km)

High Precision  
1/25,000 Map (C) GSI

## Advanced Radar Satellite



Estimate situation of magma chamber under the ground and faulting

Take a decision for evacuation

### Characteristics

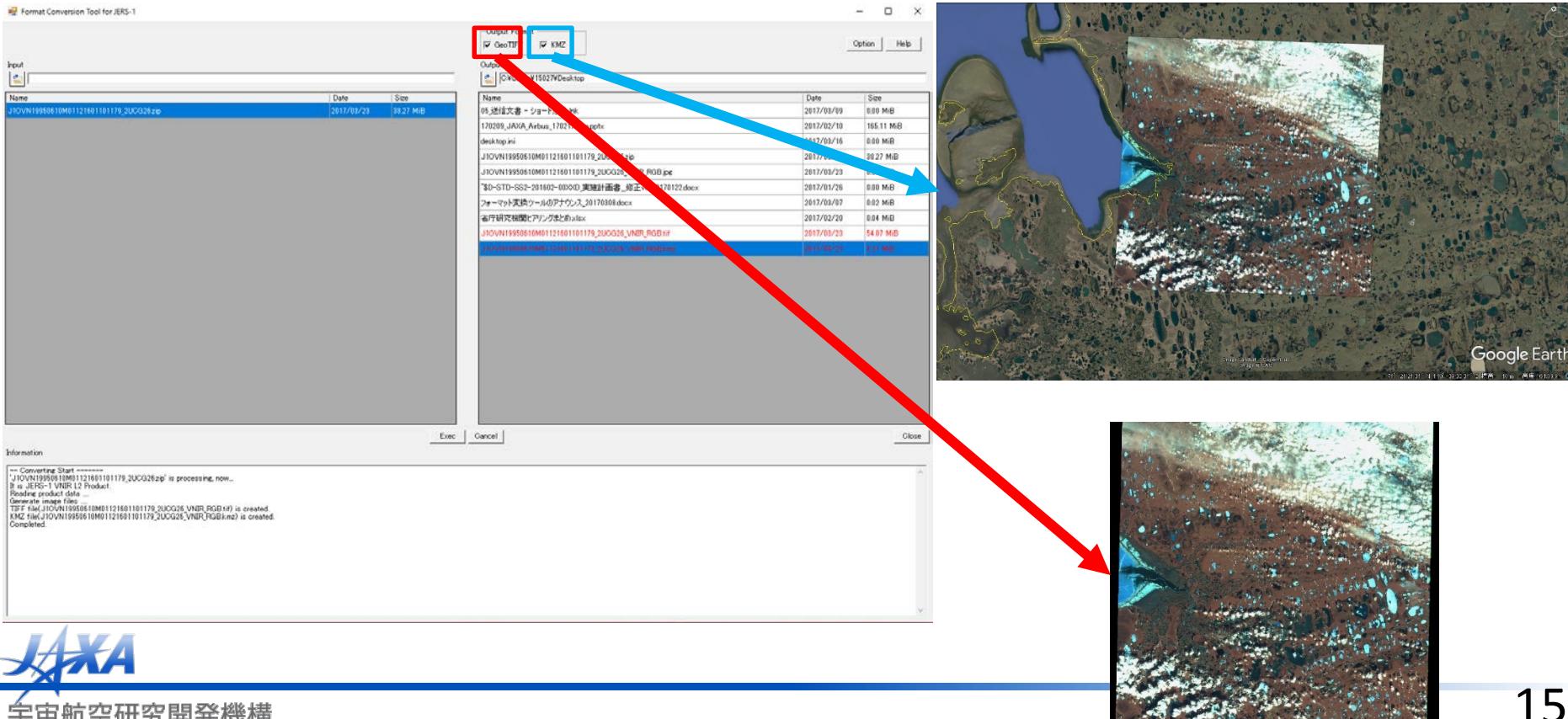
Life	7 years
Orbit	Sun-Synchronous (628km)
Mass	About 3 t
Launch	FY 2020
Resolution	<u>Spotlight</u> 1 × 3 m (swath: 35km) <u>Strip map</u> 3/6/10m (swath: 200km) <u>ScanSAR</u> 25m (swath: 700km)



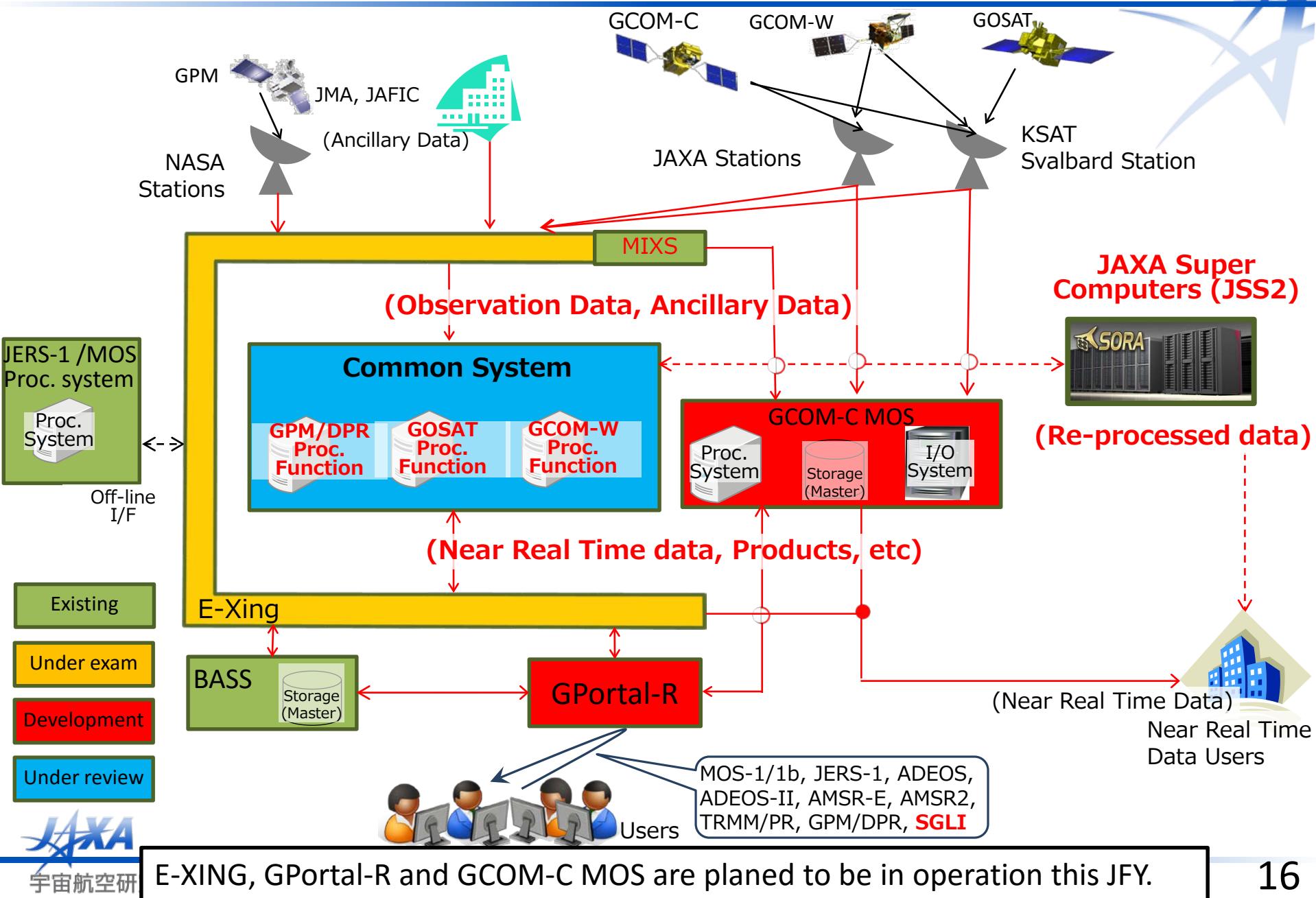
# SAOC activities

# Format conversion tool

- The format conversion tool was released from G-Portal (JAXA's data distribution system)
- JERS-1 SAR level 2.1, OPS VNIR level2, and OPS SWIR level2  
CEOS format can be converted to **GeoTIFF** or **KMZ** format.
- GPM/DPR, GSMAp, GCOM-W, JASMES  
HDF5/HDF4/Binary format can be converted to **GeoTIFF** or **KMZ** format.  
(GCOM-W(HDF5) can be converted to NetCDF format since version 2.0.)
- You can download this tool from <https://www.gportal.jaxa.jp/gp/tool.html>.



# System development status (Including future plans)



# Notification

■ JAXA mailing list's domain have be changed.

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It includes Makoto NATSUIASKA (New member), Yosuke IKEHATA, and me.

■ We are considering future system development.

- Data transmission problem
- Large volume data
- User's service

Target users

- Ordinary person,  
Who have not used  
the EO data.
- Company,  
which already  
use the EO data
- Researchers

Do your agencys have the relationship  
diagram between satellites and target  
users on the system?

G-Portal (data distribution system)

Past

GPM

GCOM-W

GOSAT

ALOS-2

Satellites



**Thank you for your attention.**