



EUMETSAT: Preparation of Users for Future Missions

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Outline

- Part 1: Overview of future EUMETSAT missions
- Part 2: User Preparation – MTG and EPS-SG



Part 1: EUMETSAT FUTURE MISSIONS

Current EUMETSAT satellites

METOP-A, -B & -C (98.7° incl.)

LOW EARTH, SUN-SYNCHRONOUS ORBIT

EUMETSAT POLAR SYSTEM (EPS) /
INITIAL JOINT POLAR SYSTEM

SENTINEL-3A & -3B (98.65° incl.)

LOW EARTH, SUN-SYNCHRONOUS ORBIT

COPERNICUS SATELLITES DELIVERING
MARINE AND LAND OBSERVATIONS



JASON-2 & -3 (63° incl.)

LOW EARTH, NON-SYNCHRONOUS ORBIT

OCEAN SURFACE TOPOGRAPHY MISSION,
SHARED WITH CNES/NOAA/EU

METEOSAT-9, -10, -11

GEOSTATIONARY ORBIT

TWO-SATELLITE SYSTEM

METEOSAT 2ND GENERATION

FULL DISC IMAGERY MISSION (15 MINS) (METEOSAT-11 (0°))
RAPID SCAN SERVICE OVER EUROPE (5 MINS) (METEOSAT-10 (9.5°
E))

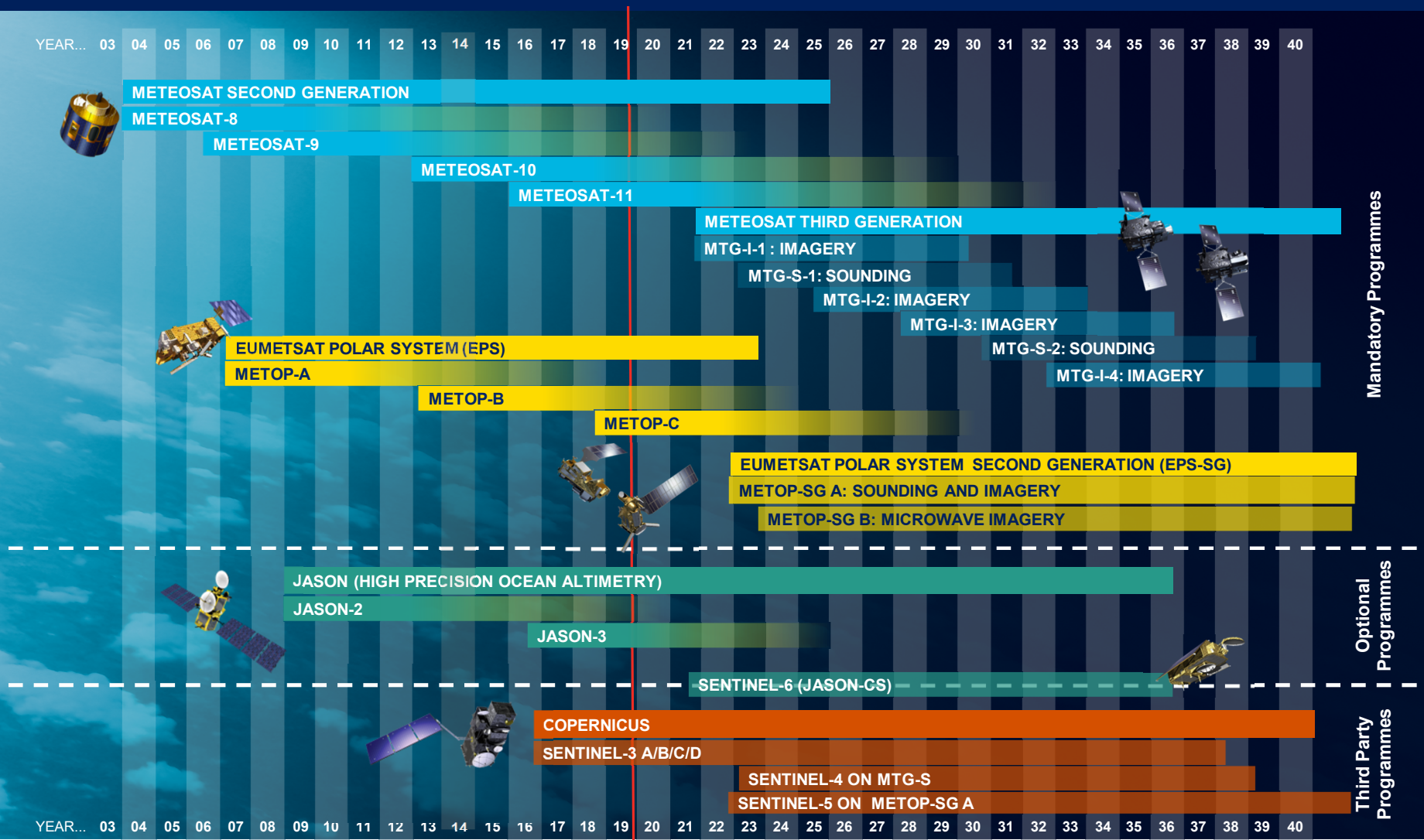
METEOSAT-9 RSS GAP FILLING AND BACK UP SPACECRAFT(3.5° E)

METEOSAT-8 (41.5° E)

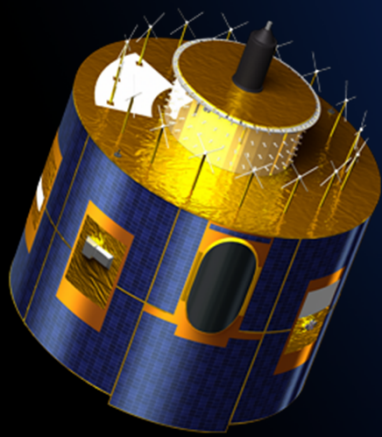
GEOSTATIONARY ORBIT

METEOSAT 2ND
GENERATION PROVIDING
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2017 – MID-2020

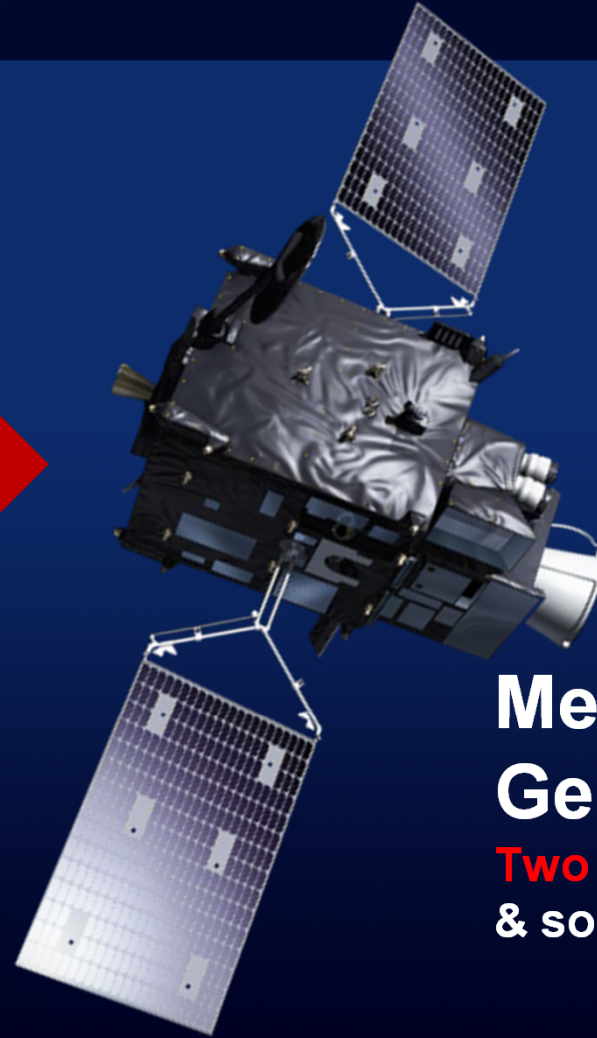
EUMETSAT mission planning



A new generation is coming ...



**Meteosat Second
Generation**



Meteosat **Third
Generation**

Two types satellite: imager
& sounder

Meteosat Third Generation: Mission Objectives

- **Primary mission: support nowcasting/ Short Range Forecasting of high impact weather**
 - **Continuity and enhancement of MSG imagery**
 - **Addition of a new lightning imaging capability**
 - **New, innovative infrared hyper-spectral sounding**
- **Secondary mission: air quality monitoring over Europe**
 - **Synergy between Sentinel-4, IRS and imagery**

MTG-I imaging mission



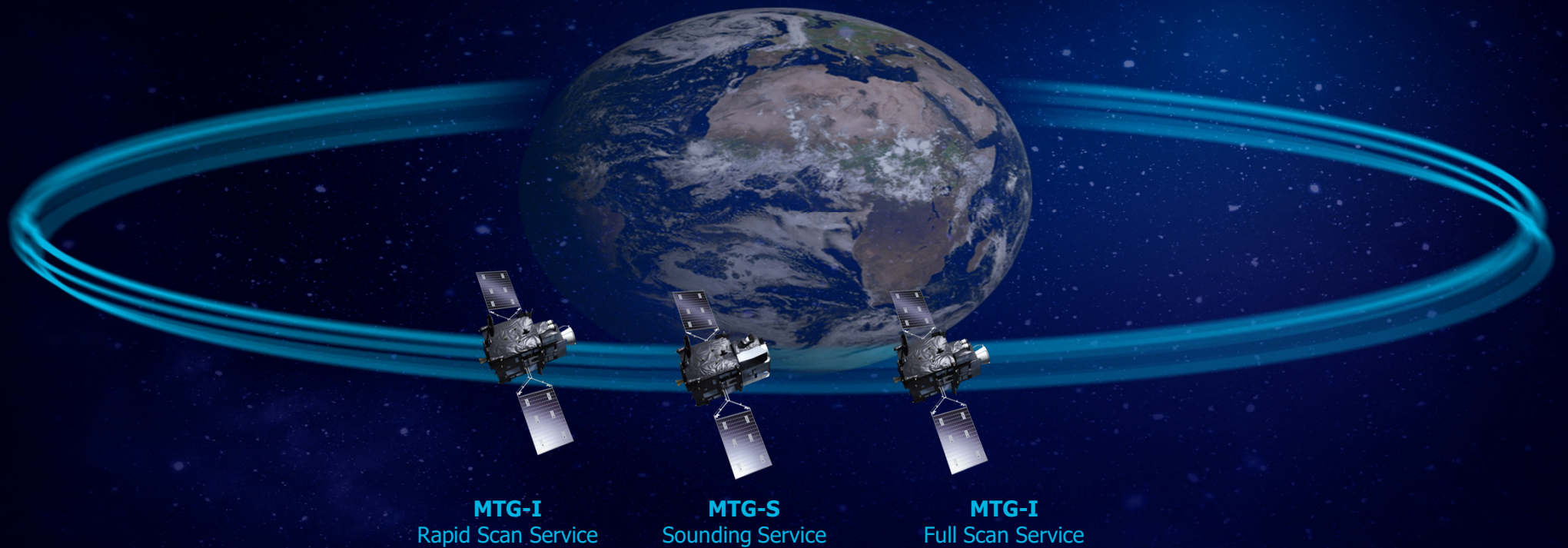
- Imagery mission implemented by two MTG-I satellites
- Full disc imagery every 10 minutes in 16 bands
- Fast imagery of Europe every 2.5 minutes
- New Lightning Imager (LI)
- **Planned launch in 2021**
- **Start of operations in 2022**
- **Operational exploitation: 2022-2042**

MTG-S sounding mission

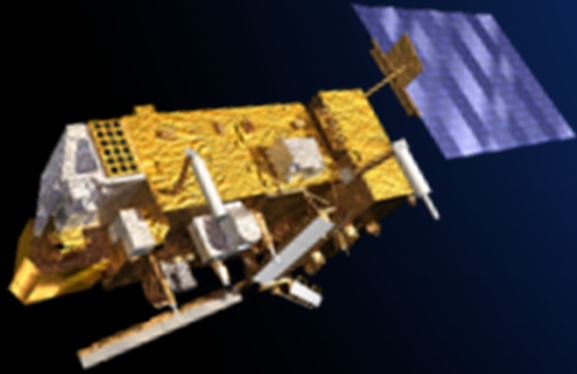


- Hyperspectral infrared sounding mission
- 3D weather cube: temperature, water vapour, O₃, every 30 minutes over Europe
- Air quality monitoring and atmospheric chemistry in synergy with Copernicus Sentinel-4 instrument
- **Planned launch in 2023**
- **Start of operations in 2024**
- **Operational exploitation: 2024-2043**

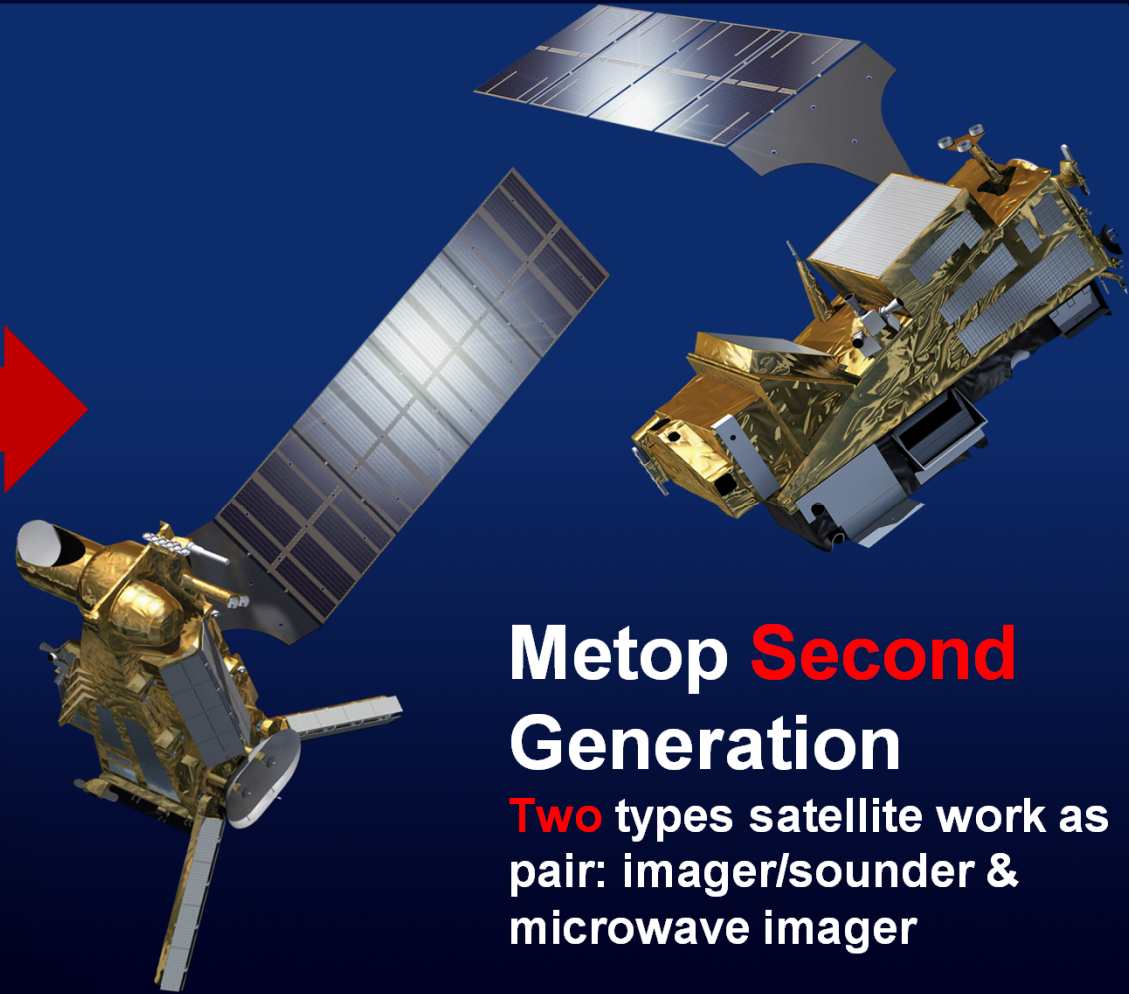
MTG full operational configuration



Time for an upgrade in polar orbit too...



Metop

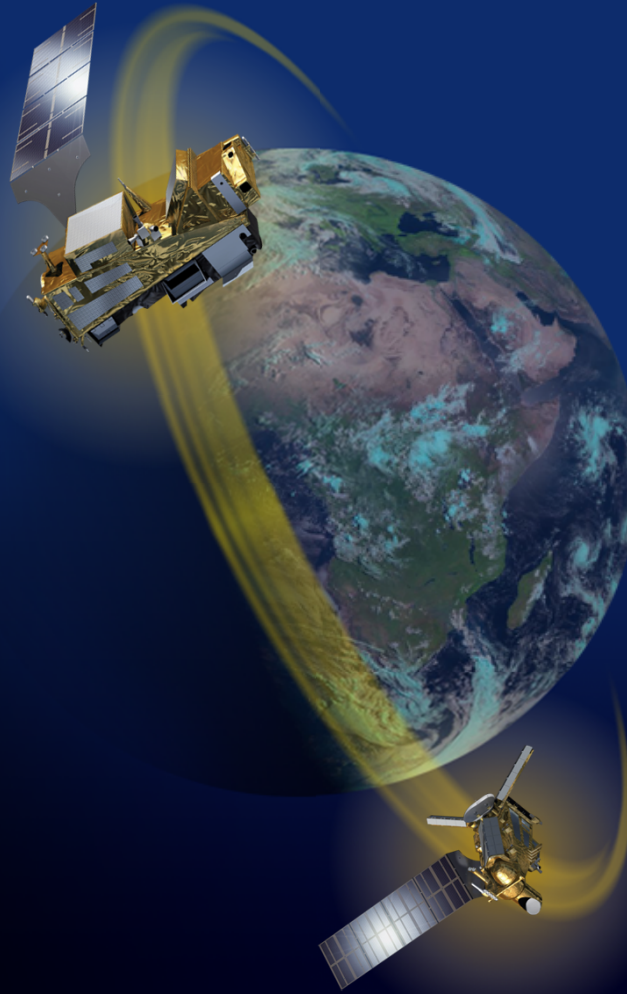


Metop **Second Generation**

Two types satellite work as pair: imager/sounder & microwave imager

EPS-SG full operational configuration

Metop-SG A
Sounding & Imagery



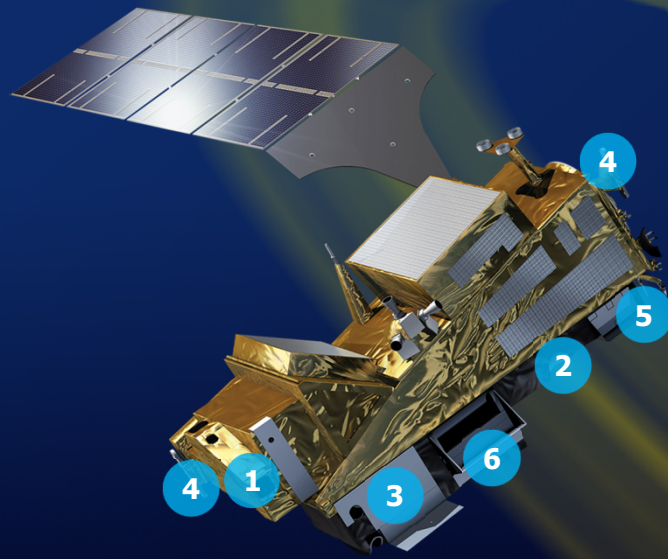
(3 pairs Metop-SG A&B
satellites)

Metop-SG B
Microwave Imagery

EPS-SG Programme Objectives

- **Primary mission: further improve observational inputs to Numerical Weather Prediction models.**
- **Continuation and enhancement of service from mid morning polar orbit.**
- **Significant contributions to other real time applications:**
 - **Nowcasting at high latitudes**
 - **Marine meteorology and operational oceanography**
 - **Operational hydrology**
 - **Air quality monitoring**
- **Climate monitoring: expand by 20+ years the climate data records initiated in 2006 with EPS (first generation).**

EPS-SG A sounding and imagery mission



1. **IASI-NG**
Infrared Atmospheric Sounding
2. **MWS**
Microwave Sounding
3. **METImage**
Visible-Infrared Imaging
4. **RO**
Radio Occultation
5. **3MI**
Multi-viewing, -channel, -polarisation
Imaging
6. **Copernicus Sentinel-5**
UN/VIS/NIR/SWIR Sounding

Metop-SG A suite of infrared, microwave for sounding temperature, moisture and trace gases in the atmosphere and Imaging instruments.

EPS-SG B microwave imagery mission

1. **SCA**
Scatterometer
2. **RO**
Radio Occultation
3. **MWI**
Microwave Imaging for Precipitation
4. **ICI**
Ice Cloud Imager
5. **ARGOS-4**
Advanced Data Collection System



Metop-SG B - radar observations of ocean-surface wind and soil moisture & all-weather microwave imagery of precipitation and ice clouds

EPS-SG Sounding missions: Enhancements and Innovations

Main Payload	Enhanced Capabilities	Innovative Capabilities	Applications Benefitting
High-Resolution Infrared Sounding (IASI-NG) Metop Heritage: IASI	+75% information in temperature profiles +30% in water-vapour profiles	More trace gases and their vertical profiles	NWP, NWC, AC, CM
Microwave Sounding (MWS) Metop Heritage: AMSU, MHS	Enhanced spatial over-sampling, five more spectral channels	Ice-cloud info in support of humidity profiling	NWP, NWC, CM
Radio Occultation Sounding (RO) Metop Heritage: GRAS	Large increase of number of radio-occultations, implementation on A- and B-satellites	Tracking of Galileo and Compass/Beidou signals	NWP, CM
Nadir viewing UV/VIS/NIR/SWIR Sounding (Sentinel-5) Metop Heritage: GOME-2	Drastic increase of spatial resolution, extension into UV and short-wave infra-red	Additional trace gas measurements; CO ₂ being studied	Air Quality, CM, AC

EPS-SG Imaging Missions: Enhancements and Innovations

Main Payload	Enhanced Capabilities	Innovative Capabilities	Applications Benefitting
VIS/IR Imaging (METImage) Metop Heritage: AVHRR	Better radiometric and spatial resolution	Far more variables measured with higher accuracy	NWC, NWP, Operational Oceanography, Hydrology, CM
Scatterometry (SCA) Metop Heritage: ASCAT	Higher spatial resolution and coverage	Cross polarisation for higher wind speeds	NWP, NWC, Operational Oceanography, Hydrology, CM
Multi-viewing, -channel, -polarisation Imaging (3MI)	New mission	Aerosol parameters	Air Quality, CM, NWC
Microwave Imaging (MWI)	New mission	Precipitation observations	NWP, NWC, Hydrology, Operational Oceanography, CM
Ice Cloud Imaging (ICI)	New mission	Cloud microphysics parameters	NWP, NWC, Hydrology, Operational Oceanography, CM

A satellite view of Earth from space, showing the curvature of the planet and the atmosphere. The Earth is illuminated from the left, creating a bright blue glow along the horizon. The surface shows dark landmasses and lighter, cloud-covered areas. A dark blue rectangular box is overlaid on the right side of the image, containing the text "EUMETSAT User Support".

EUMETSAT User Support

User Preparation for MTG and EPS-SG: Objectives

MTG-UP

- **Smooth transition** from Meteosat Second Generation (MSG) to MTG for all comparable services;
- **Early adoption** of MTG services into operational meteorology;
- **Exchange of user feedback** on MTG programmatic and general user preparation issues.

EPS-SG UP

- Support the National Meteorological Services of Member States to have a **smooth transition and continuity of operations** with EPS-SG data;
 - Enable the NMSs in the early assimilation of data from heritage instruments in Global and Regional NWP
 - Support the existing users of the other application areas of EPS-SG.
- Support the Member State NMSs in their preparation to gain advantage from the **enhanced and novel capabilities** from the EPS-SG mission.
- Facilitate the **sharing of user preparation experiences** and lessons learnt among relevant actors.

User groups

- **MTG User Preparation**

- MTG UP User group – representatives from National Meteorological Services of Eumetsat Member States

- **EPS-SG User Preparation**

- representatives from National Meteorological Services of Eumetsat Member States
- Global NWP Centres
 - Global NWP centres within Europe: interaction through NWP-SAF
 - interaction through the existing coordination bodies for Global NWP(GODEX)
- Regional NWP in Europe
 - Regional Modelling Consortia and European Working Group on LAM
- Nowcasting for Nordic Member States

EPS-SG/MTG User Preparation: Core Themes

1. Test Data and Format Support

- Test Data Plan updates
- Test Data packages

2. Science Support

- Product Validation Reports

3. User Training

- Training Plan approved by EUMETSAT council
- EPS-SG specific events following from the Training Plan
- Massive Online Open Course

4. User Information and Communication

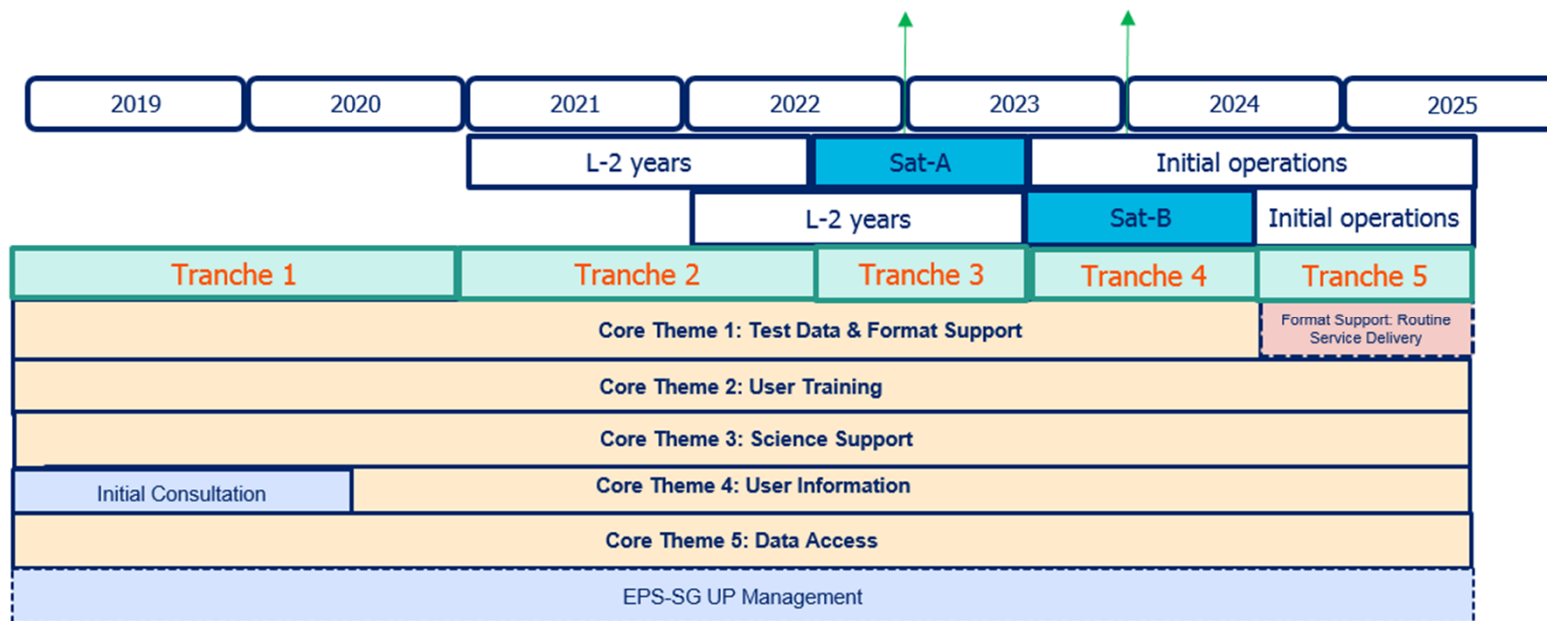
- Product User Guides
- Videos: Measurement principles, Application videos
- User Communication events

5. Data Access

- Information on changes in data access service

EPS-SG User Preparation Project Schedule

- Kickoff: September 2019
- Project close: One year after the commissioning of Metop-SG B



EPS-SG user preparation activities 2019-2020 towards NWP

- Early engagement with ECMWF, other European Global NWP Centres to better understand their preparation activities & plans to use the novel instrument data:
 - Visit to ECMWF in June 2019 - feedback from the meeting is being incorporated into our planning
 - Plans to discuss with other European Global NWP groups in early 2020
- Keep the Global NWP user community informed about the new capabilities of EPS-SG
 - Plan to interact with GODEX-NWP in 2020

EPS-SG user preparation activities 2019-2020

- Regional NWP user community:
 - Planning a workshop with Regional NWP consortia members in early 2020
 - Understand the community
 - Seek your needs and requirements in relation to uptake of MTG and EPS-SG
 - Use this platform to help plan the workshop

Co-located MTG/EPS-SG User Days 2019



2019 User Days on MTG & EPS-SG

12-14 November 2019

EUMETSAT HQ, Darmstadt, Germany

(By invitation only)

12 Nov 2019: 'MTG Day'

13 Nov 2019: 'Main User Day Event'

- Cross-cutting themes: data access and visualization, incl. an exhibition area with HW/SW manufacturers

14 Nov 2019: 'EPS-SG Day'

User Service Helpdesk

Please don't hesitate to approach our helpdesk available to you

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