

# Living Planet Symposium Take The Pulse Of Our Planet

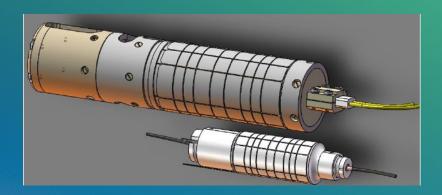


# EXAMPLES OF INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGICAL EO DEVELOPMENT IN CNES

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# **Prepare to the Future**

**Technical** 

developments:

**R&T & Demonstrators**  R&T call of ideas Research & Industrial partership

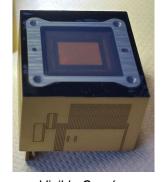
**Technical** Roadmap



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Additive Fabrication @ Almia-CNES

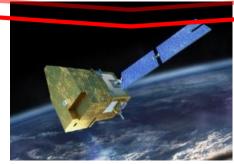


Visible Caméra @ 3Dplus



Mission & System: Phases 0 (PASO) and Phase A

Microcarb @ CNES



**Thesis** 

**Project development:** Phases B, C, D, E

# **R&T Structuring (1/2)**



Preparing new generation orbital infrastructures for Localisation, **Navigation & system** 

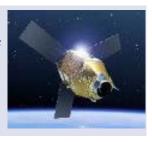


Developing methodologies and technologies needed to **Protect** the future systems

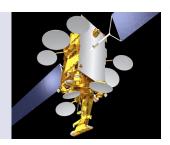


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Promote the emergence of new generation Earth **Observation** system



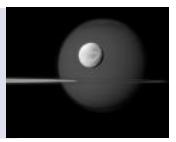
Improving the use of **Space** Telecommunication and their competitive positionning



Enhance space infrastructure and data to strengthen their use and develop **Applications** 



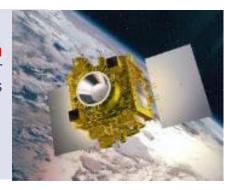
Develop French skills in preparation of the future programmes for **Universe** studies and Exploration



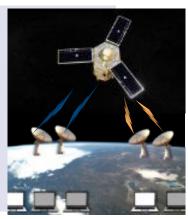
# **R&T Structuring (2/2)**



Constantly improving the **Platform** families (including balloons) and their corresponding key technologies

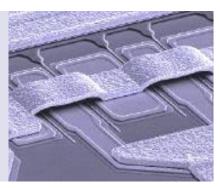


Simplifying Satellite to Ground communications systems to make them more reliable and reduce price projections



BS

Mastering Micro-technologies in the space environment and keeping abreast of the evolution of nanotechnologies with a view for their use in the space sector



Developing **Generic** Techniques and technologies for spacecrafts



# **R&T for Orbital Systems**



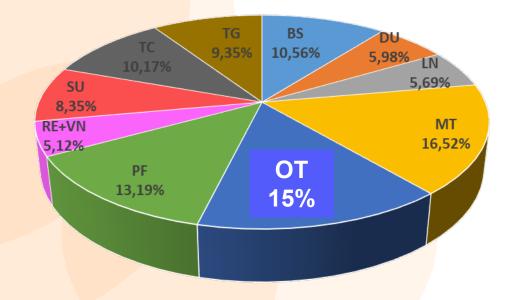
Conducted with various institutional research organisations and industrials

Co-financing is the rule

Earth **Observation** 

**Telecoms** 

Space **Sciences**  **PPRT 2021** 



OT: dedicated to EO payloads development

- VHR optic imagers
- Multi/Hyper spectral radiometers
- **Optic Active & passive sounding** instruments
- Microwave sounding instruments
- Altimeter and radar

#### **EO Priorities**



#### Science

- The study of the radiative impact of aerosols and clouds, in particular by lidar techniques
- Improvement of the reference system and measurement of the gravity field,
- > The measurement of the surface ocean current,
- Monitoring of biodiversity and terrestrial ecosystems by high resolution hyperspectral measurements,
- Measurement of ocean salinity and soil moisture at high resolution,
- > The strong involvement of France in the definition of Copernicus long term

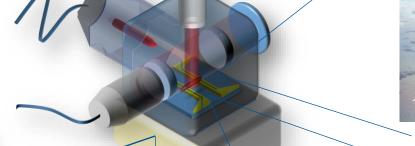
#### **General**

- Repetitiveness of observations,
- Miniaturization,
- Combination and assimilation of multi-source and voluminous data
- > Support for industrial competitiveness and a technical basis for institutional missions

# **R&D** Atom accelerometers for space









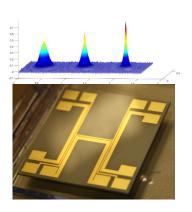


- On-board metrological performances.
- Vibrations and rotations effect study.
- Validating key technologies

- Laser system:
  - Fiber telecom based laser system.
  - Frequency doubling (MUQUANS).
  - Qualification TRL 6. SODERN

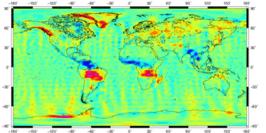


**Ultra-cold atomic source:** 



- Ultra-cold atomic sources in microgravity.
- Atom-chips for atom trapping and cooling.

## Phase 0 GRICE (2017-2019)\*



#### **Mission concept:**

- Dual satellite mission concept
- Composite acceleration gradient measurement



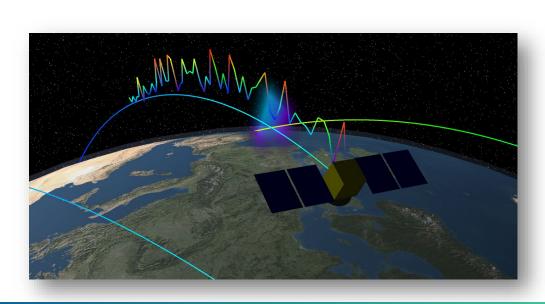
#### **Mission performances:**

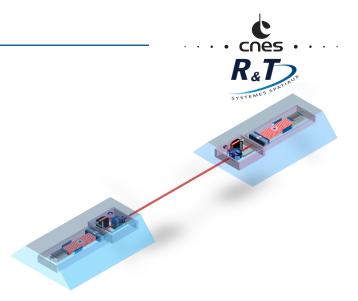
- Numerical simulation of the mission performances
- Composite acceleration gradient measurement

# Phase 0 CARIOQA (2019-2021)

#### **Quantum Pathfinder mission definition:**

- Instrument definition
- Mission study



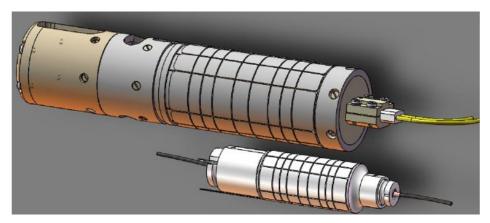


<sup>\*</sup>T. Lévèque et al, « Gravity Field Mapping Using Laser Coupled Quantum Accelerometers in Space », Journal of Geodesy, 95, 1 (2021).

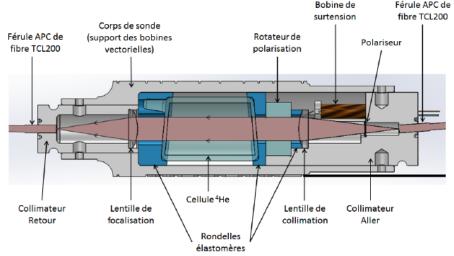
### **Magnetometer: from SWARM to NanoMagSat**



> 2013 to 2019 : Development of key technologies to miniaturize the sensor & test of a complete probe



NanoMagSat probe Vs SWARM probe



Inside design of the NanoMagSat probe

Output TRL: 4/5 (development of a complete engineering model (EM), fully operational tests on EM, environmental tests on critical components)

- 2019 2021 : Improvement of the vector mode to complete NanoMagSat payload + new target applications ("space weather", planetary science...)
- Then switch to a ESA framework

#### From R&T to orbit: SARAL AltiKa



1998 - 2003 (CNES R&T)

Technological: Ka amplifier, waveform generator, ASIC ...

Physic of measurement: propagation, wave/surface interaction

1999:Instrument feasability study (phase 0)

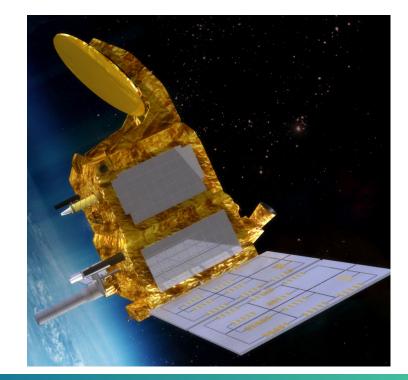
2000: End of Phase A

Franco-Indian cooperation (CNES/ISRO)

**Dec 2005: K.O. phase C/D** 

Dec 2008: Instrument delivery (TAS. Fr): 2010

Fev 2013 Launch SARAL



#### **SWOT/KaRIN/RFU:From R&T to SWOT AIT**

#### **RFU development**

- CNES responsible for the dev of the analog part of the KaRIn instrument (JPL lead)
- Development entrusted to TAS-Fr (Honeywell-UK has developed the Dx)

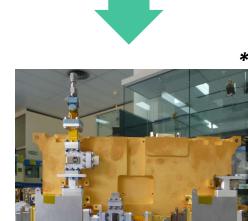
R&D [2012]





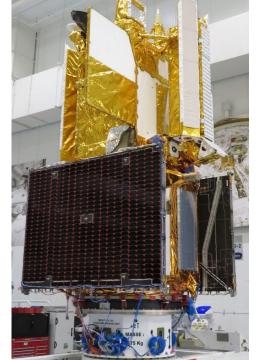


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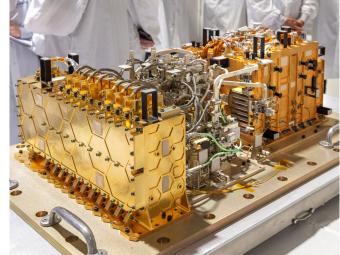
**Interferometric Rx chains** [2015]

\* Credit THALES ALENIA SPACE



**SWOT AIT** [2022]





**RFU PFM** [2020]