

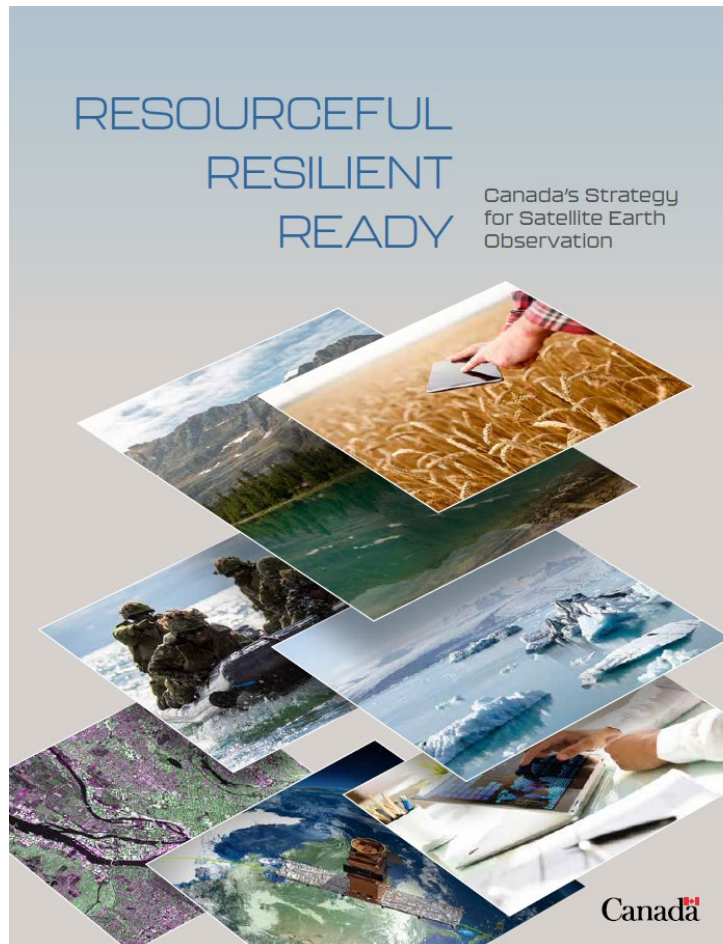
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# Implementing Canada's Strategy for Satellite Earth Observation

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# Resourceful, Resilient, Ready: Canada's Strategy for Satellite Earth Observation



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The [Canadian Space Agency](#), [Environment and Climate Change Canada](#), and [Natural Resources Canada](#) led a whole-of-government effort to seek input from industry and academia to develop Canada's long-term satellite Earth observation strategy.

## Strategy Objectives:

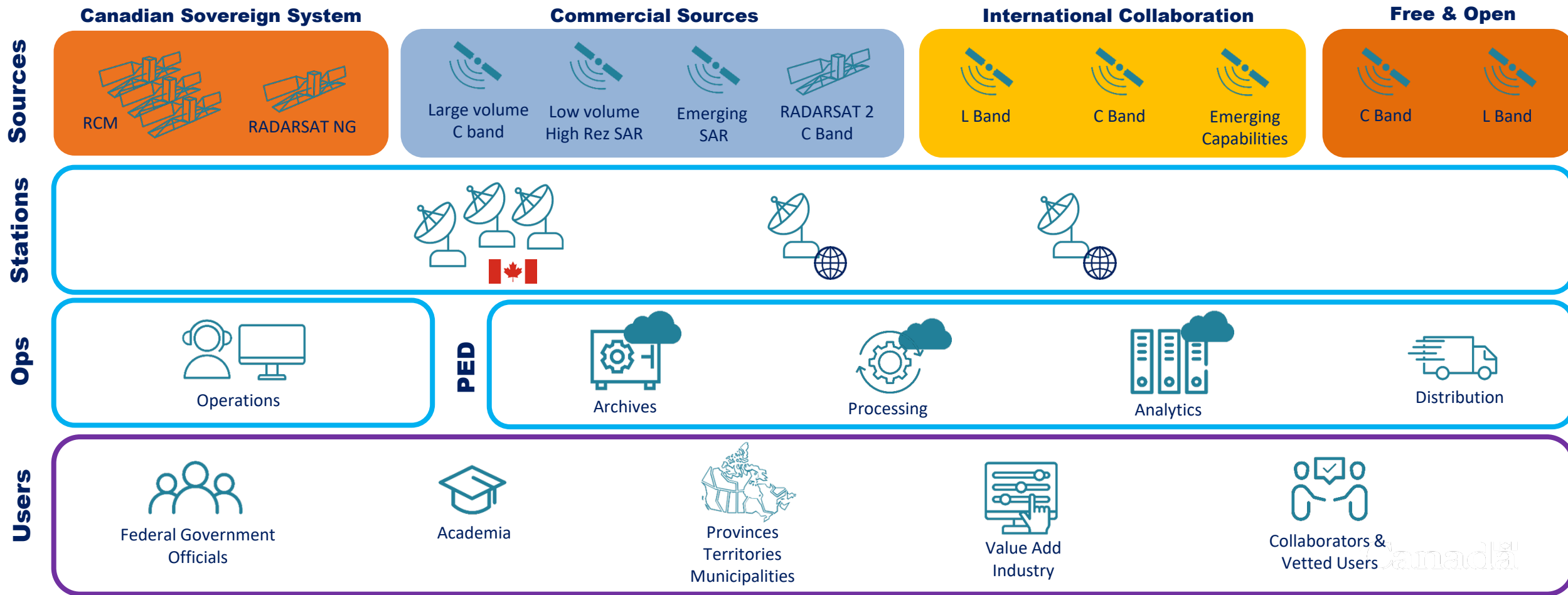
1. Ensure the benefits of satellite EO are maximized.
2. Harness satellite EO to tackle climate change and issues that matter to Canadians.
3. Strengthen delivery of critical services to keep Canadians healthy, safe and informed.
4. Inspire satellite EO skills and capacity development for the next generation.



# EOSC – Architecture Perspective

Value chain from sensor to users

**4 Sources of Imagery offers resiliency, cost effectiveness and adaptability to rapidly changing context**



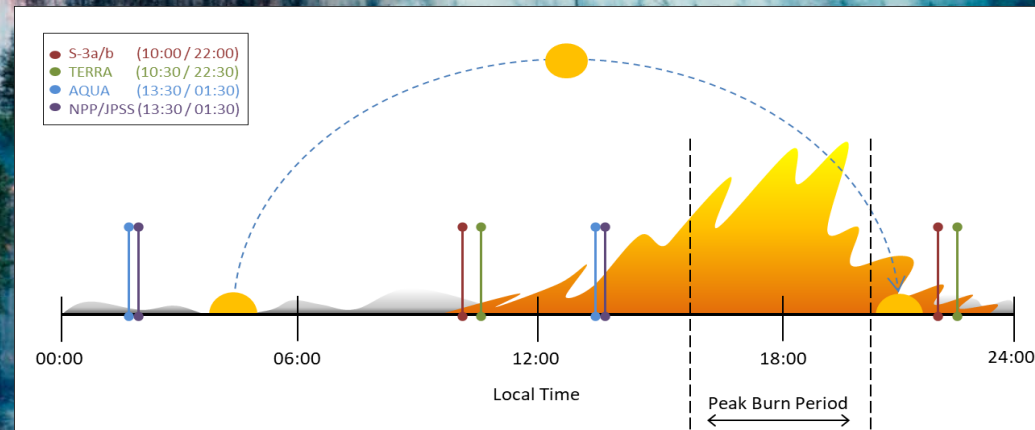
# WildFireSat - GardeFeu



- 3-Satellite Operational Constellation for Fire Monitoring in Canada has just been approved!
- 5-year mission to provide daily coverage of Canada AOI
- Phase B: 2022; Launch: 2028; Operations 2028-2033
- Open Data Policy
- Partnership discussions to coordinate with other systems to be conducted in 2022-23.

## Key Features:

- VIS/NIR , Mid-Wave and Long-Wave
- Fire Radiative **Power** optimised;
- Detection capacity at 15 x 15 m fire;
- 30 min data latency in Canada
- Uncooled micro-bolometer detectors





# RADARSAT Constellation Mission (RCM) A strategic asset for Canada

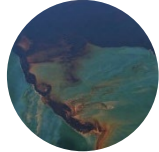
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RCM imagery is an integral part of many GC service delivery and support to policy

Government Programs & Services rely on a regular and predictable source of SAR imagery



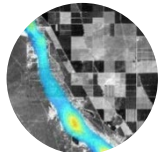
Ice & Icebergs detection & dynamics



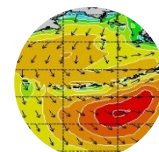
Oil detection & tracking



Maritime features and surveillance



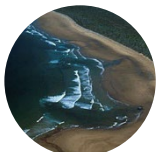
Infrastructure monitoring



Wind data



Agriculture and food systems



Wet/Humid



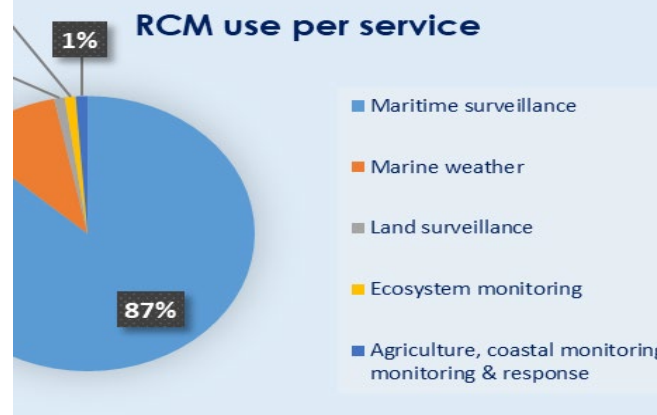
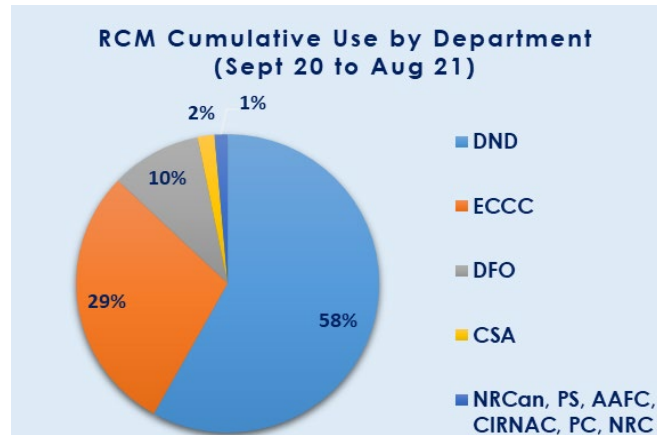
Support to emergency response

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Government Departments

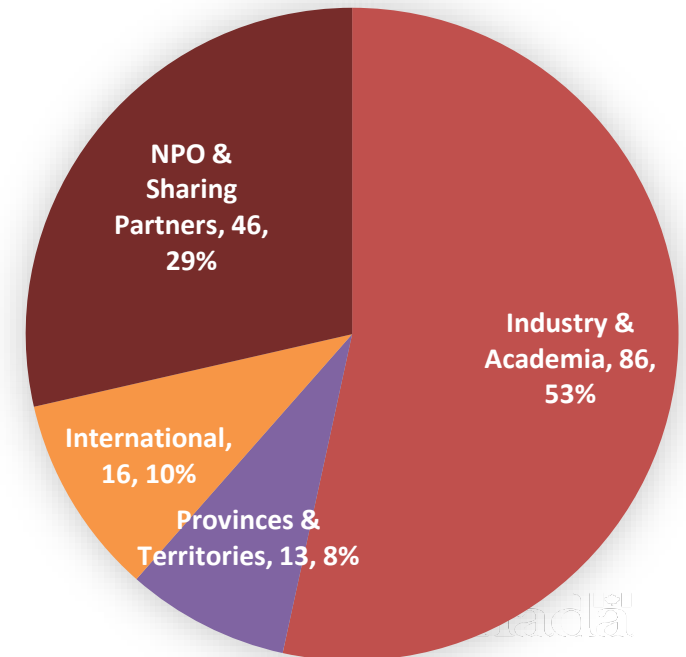
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SAR scenes/yr used by Government  
A **50 fold** increase from RADARSAT 1 and demand is growing



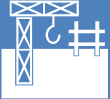



## RCM Vetted Users

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# Examples of early implementation

 <b>Maximize access &amp; benefits</b>	 <b>Tackle climate change</b>	 <b>Strengthen critical services &amp; infrastructure</b>	 <b>EO skills &amp; capacity development</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ Review of the Remote Sensing Space Systems Act</li> <li>❑ Signature of Canada-EU Copernicus Cooperation Arrangement</li> <li>❑ Review of the MOU with EUMETSAT</li> <li>❑ Options analysis and pilots for Digital Earth Canada (DEC)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ GHGSat, Inc investment (\$20M, Nov 2021)</li> <li>❑ WildFireSat</li> <li>❑ Arctic Observing Mission</li> <li>❑ High-Altitude Water Clouds on NASA's Atmosphere Observing System</li> <li>❑ Terrestrial Snow Mass Mission</li> <li>❑ National imagery subscription options</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ Investment in updating critical infrastructure to receive satellite data (\$80M B2021)</li> <li>❑ Earth Observation Service Continuity (RCM follow-on; \$9.9M B2021)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ SmartEarth (\$8M, Jan 2022)</li> <li>❑ Earth System Data and Analysis Grants</li> <li>❑ Investigation of a satellite EO coordination office</li> <li>❑ Investigation of capacity development options</li> </ul>

Continued scanning for opportunities to align with other strategies, funding, and efforts across the federal government. 