

# ALOS-2 Basic Observation Scenario (First Edition Rev.E)

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# Revision details

| Rev. | Date             | Page           | Revision details   |
|------|------------------|----------------|--|
| A    | October 10, 2014 | P13,P30        | ▪ Updated the date of Basic Observation Scenario   |
|      |                  | P17            | ▪ Add to obs pattern of Stripmap 10m   |
| B    | January 30, 2015 | P30            | ▪ Polar ice changed to observation cycle   |
| C    | January 15, 2016 | P4,P5          | ▪ Updated the contents about the date of Basic Observation Scenario  |
|      |                  | P16            | ▪ Renewal of the contents with a revision of P20,P23   |
|      |                  | P20            | ▪ Quad-polarimetric changed to observation area  |
|      |                  | P22            | ▪ Wetlands & Rapid deforestation monitoring changed to observation area  |
|      |                  | P23            | ▪ Crustal Deformation changed observation frequency  |
|      |                  | P30            | ▪ Crustal Deformation & Forest monitoring changed to order of observation beam No. (Cycle 44,46,47,49,70,72,73,75) |
| D    | April 15, 2016   | P6             | ▪ Updated the contents about the date of Basic Observation Scenario  |
|      |                  | P13,P14        | ▪ Updated about Japan region of Basic Observation Scenario (Cycle60-68)  |
|      |                  | P27            | ▪ Updated about IP requests (to represent the opinions of PI meeting)  |
|      |                  | P17,P31        | ▪ Add to observation pattern of crustal movement monitoring (ScanSAR) (Cycle54 ,Ascending ,Once a yea)             |
| E    | June15,2016      | P17,P26<br>P31 | ▪ Boreal and sub-Arctic of super site finish to observe in cycle 52  |

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# 1. First edition

This document describes the first edition of the ALOS-2 Basic Observation Scenario (The date of Launch was May 24, 2014) .

ALOS-2 Basic observation scenario is reviewed periodically to meet user requests.

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## 2. Purpose and Background

The PALSAR-2 instrument onboard ALOS-2 has several observation modes (Spotlight, Stripmap, ScanSAR) and right-and-left looking function to fulfill the mission requirements. This flexibility may however also trigger conflicts among user request without adequate planning. Implementation of a systematic observation is required to achieve consistent data periodically and geographically, therefore a Basic Observation Scenario (BOS) had been developed for ALOS-2 partially succeeding ALOS systematic observation. BOS is reviewed periodically to meet user requests.

# 3. Concepts of the Basic Observation Scenario

- Repetition of global observations according to seasonality and geographical locations.
- BOS has the second priority. The first priority is emergency observation and cal/val observations.
- The scenario is designed to fulfill the following general acquisition concepts:
  - Spatial and temporal consistency at global scale with fine resolution;
  - Adequate revisit frequency (including accommodating InSAR) ;
  - Considering acquisition timing of target areas;
  - Considering sensor operability;
  - Long-term observation plan.
- The Scenario comprises separate plans for Japan and for the rest of the world.
- The success rate for acquisitions within the BOS is 70-80%.

# **4. Basic Observation Scenario (Japan)**

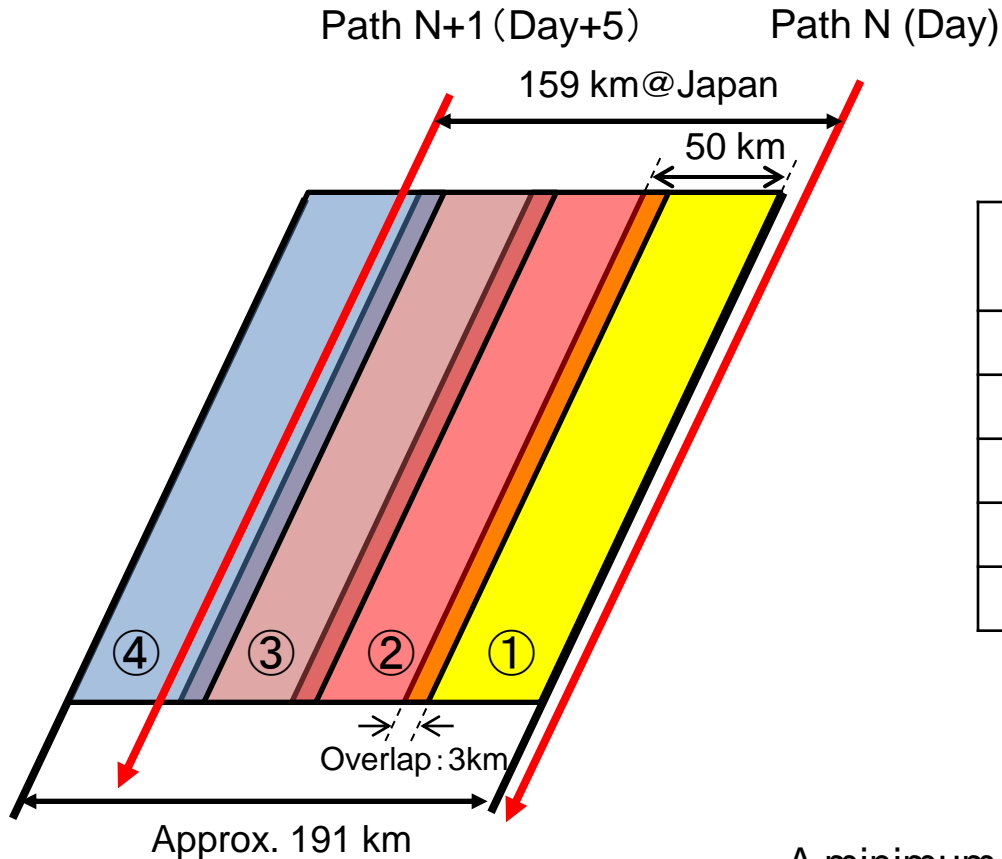
# Baseline mapping

The Japan Base Map serves the objectives of “Disaster” and “Differential InSAR”. It is based on observations in two modes: Stripmap 3m and ScanSAR 350 km .

|                                 | contents  |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Base Map for disaster           | Observations to collect data at various incidence angles, to accommodate interferometric analysis of pre- and post-disaster data. |
| Base Map for Differential InSAR | Observations for periodic collection of data for differential interferometry  |



# Japan coverage in Stripmap Mode [3m]



Stripmap mode [3m]

| Beam Group | Incidence Angle | Number of beams to cover |
|------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| U1         | 8-30 deg.       | 5 beams                  |
| U2         | 30-44 deg.      | 4 beams                  |
| U3         | 44-56 deg.      | 5 beams                  |
| U4         | 56-64 deg.      | 5 beams                  |
| U5         | 64-70 deg.      | 5 beams                  |

U2: Nominal

A minimum of 4 beams is required for gap-free coverage of Japan

⇒ Minimum: 14 days × 4 cycles = 56 days

## Observation conditions for disaster base map

| Items                        | Stripmap [3m]  |                     | ScanSAR [350km]          |
|------------------------------|--|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Satellite direction          | Descending (toward south) and Ascending (toward north) | Descending only*    | Descending and Ascending |
| Beam direction               | Left and right   |                     |                          |
| Beam range (incidence angle) | U2 (30.2° ~ 44.4°)                                     | U3 (44.3° ~ 55.8° ) | W2 (19.7° ~ 45.3° )      |
| Polarisation                 | Single (HH)  |                     | Dual (HH+HV)             |
| Frequency band               | 84 MHz   |                     | 28 MHz                   |

\* U3 observations at descending only to allow ascending resources for periodic InSAR.

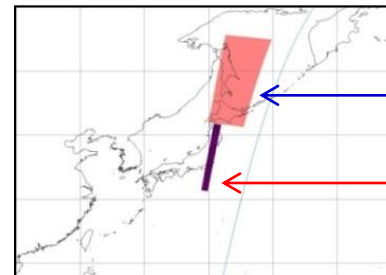
# Observation conditions for Differential InSAR base map

| Items                        | Stripmap [3m]  | ScanSAR [350km]    |
|------------------------------|--|--------------------|
| Satellite direction          | Descending (toward south) and Ascending (toward north) |                    |
| Beam direction               | right  |                    |
| Beam range (incidence angle) | U2 (30.2° ~44.4° )                                     | W2 (19.7° ~45.3° ) |
| Polarisation                 | Single (HH)  | Dual (HH+HV)       |
| Frequency band               | 84 MHz   | 28 MHz             |

Frequency of interference is a priority. Observations are carried out during the same times each year.

# Conditions for the Basic Observation Scenario for Japan

- (1) In the first year, observations for the base map for Disaster is a priority.
- (2) Observation at U2 mode undertaken during six months from the start of the observations.
- (3) Observation at W2 mode undertaken during five months from the start of the observations.
- (4) Observation at U3 mode undertaken during six months from the start of the observations.
- (5) The base map for disaster is updated every three years (1<sup>st</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> year, etc.).
- (6) In the second year, base map observations for Disaster are reduced and base map observations for Differential InSAR is priority.
- (7) Open cycles without pre-set default observation modes are planned once every 6 cycles
- (8) Make resources available for non-base map observations (mainly from year 2)
- (9) Observations in ScanSAR mode for "sea ice observations" are planned over the Sea of Okhotsk during the winter (December to April).
- (10) South of Hokkaido, observation are planned in stripmap mode.
- (11) To accommodate "ship movement management", U3 and U2 observations extended from the land and coastal zones to also include sea areas.
- (12) Observations in PLR(6m) mode for landslide disaster and land use start from the second year and will be repeated every year.



ScanSAR mode  
(sea ice observations)

Stripmap mode  
(basic observations)

# Conditions for the Basic Observation Scenario for Japan (Reconsidered for 3rd year)

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## [Concerns]

- There are some gaps in the base maps using 3m strip map mode due to emergency observations. In order to fill the gaps quickly, more recovery cycles are needed.
- ScanSAR observation in Ascending mode is more desirable in summer rather than winter when coherence is reduced by snow.

## [Improvements]

4 times of ScanSAR observation cycles are deleted which were originally planned between 3m-strip mode observation cycles in both Ascending and Descending orbits. Then, three cycles of them will be used for the base map recovery.

One ScanSAR observation cycle is added in Ascending during summer.

# Basic Observation Scenario (Japan)

■ 1st Year

| Cycle      | 2                 | 3       | 4     | 5       | 6       | 7       | 8                 | 9       | 10      | 11      | 12      | 13      | 14                 | 15      | 16      | 17      | 18      | 19      | 20                 | 21      | 22      | 23       | 24       | 25       | 26       | 27       |  |
|------------|-------------------|---------|-------|---------|---------|---------|-------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------------------|---------|---------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--|
| Year       | 2014              |         |       |         |         |         |                   |         |         |         |         |         | 2015               |         |         |         |         |         |                    |         |         |          |          |          |          |          |  |
| Month/Day  | 08/04             | 08/18   | 09/01 | 09/15   | 09/29   | 10/13   | 10/27             | 11/10   | 11/24   | 12/08   | 12/22   | 01/05   | 01/19              | 02/02   | 02/16   | 03/02   | 03/16   | 03/30   | 04/13              | 04/27   | 05/11   | 05/25    | 06/08    | 06/22    | 07/06    | 07/20    |  |
| Descending | Disaster Base Map |         |       |         |         |         | Disaster Base Map |         |         |         |         |         | Disaster Base Map  |         |         |         |         |         | Disaster Base Map  |         |         |          |          |          |          |          |  |
|            | U2 (6)R           | U2 (7)R |       | U2 (8)R | U2 (9)R | W2 (2)R |                   | U2 (6)L | U2 (7)L | W2 (2)L | W2(2)L  | W2(2)L  | W2 (2)L            | W2(2)R  | W2(2)R  | W2(2)R  | W2(2)R  | W2(2)R  | W2(2)R             | W2 (2)R |         | U3 (10)L | U3 (11)L | U3 (12)L | U3 (13)L | U3 (14)L |  |
| Ascending  | Disaster Base Map |         |       |         |         |         | Disaster Base Map |         |         |         |         |         | Differential InSAR |         |         |         |         |         | Differential InSAR |         |         |          |          |          |          |          |  |
|            | U2 (6)R           | U2 (7)R |       | U2 (8)R | U2 (9)R | W2 (2)R |                   | U2 (6)L | U2 (7)L | W2 (2)L | U2 (8)L | U2 (9)L | W2 (2)L            | U2 (6)R | U2 (7)R | W2 (2)R | U2 (8)R | U2 (9)R | W2 (2)R            |         | U2 (6)R | U2 (7)R  | U2 (8)R  | U2 (9)R  |          |          |  |

■ 2st Year

| Cycle      | 28                 | 29      | 30      | 31      | 32      | 33      | 34                 | 35      | 36      | 37      | 38      | 39      | 40                 | 41      | 42      | 43      | 44      | 45      | 46                 | 47      | 48      | 49      | 50      | 51      | 52      | 53    |  |
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| Year       | 2015年              |         |         |         |         |         |                    |         |         |         |         |         | 2016               |         |         |         |         |         |                    |         |         |         |         |         |         |       |  |
| Month/Day  | 08/03              | 08/17   | 08/31   | 09/14   | 09/28   | 10/12   | 10/26              | 11/09   | 11/23   | 12/07   | 12/21   | 01/04   | 01/18              | 02/01   | 02/15   | 02/29   | 03/14   | 03/28   | 04/11              | 04/25   | 05/09   | 05/23   | 06/06   | 06/20   | 07/04   | 07/18 |  |
| Descending | Differential InSAR |         |         |         |         |         | Differential InSAR |         |         |         |         |         | Differential InSAR |         |         |         |         |         | Differential InSAR |         |         |         |         |         |         |       |  |
|            |                    | W2 (2)R | U2 (6)R | U2 (7)R | U2 (8)R | U2 (9)R |                    | U2 (6)R | U2 (7)R | W2 (2)R | W2(2)R  | W2(2)R  | W2 (2)R            | W2(2)R  | W2(2)R  | W2(2)R  | W2 (2)R | W2(2)R  | W2(2)R             | W2 (2)R |         | U2 (6)R | U2 (7)R | U2 (8)R | U2 (9)R |       |  |
| Ascending  | Differential InSAR |         |         |         |         |         | Differential InSAR |         |         |         |         |         | Differential InSAR |         |         |         |         |         | Differential InSAR |         |         |         |         |         |         |       |  |
|            | FP (3)R            | FP (4)R | FP (5)R | FP (6)R | FP (7)R |         | U2 (6)R            | U2 (7)R | W2 (2)R | U2 (8)R | U2 (9)R | W2 (2)R |                    | U2 (6)R | U2 (7)R | W2 (2)R | U2 (8)R | U2 (9)R | W2 (2)R            |         | U2 (6)R | U2 (7)R | U2 (8)R | U2 (9)R | W2 (2)R |       |  |

■ 3st Year

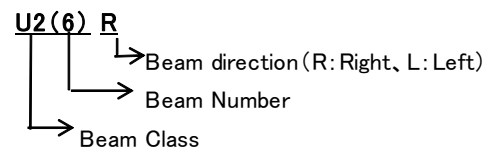
| Cycle      | 54                 | 55      | 56      | 57      | 58      | 59    | 60                          | 61      | 62      | 63      | 64      | 65     | 66                 | 67      | 68      | 69                          | 70      | 71     | 72                 | 73     | 74      | 75      | 76      | 77      | 78                 | 79    |  |  |  |  |
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| Year       | 2016               |         |         |         |         |       |                             |         |         |         |         |        | 2017               |         |         |                             |         |        |                    |        |         |         |         |         |                    |       |  |  |  |  |
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| Descending | Differential InSAR |         |         |         |         |       | Differential InSAR+ Sea Ice |         |         |         |         |        | Sea Ice            |         |         | Differential InSAR+ Sea Ice |         |        |                    |        |         | Sea Ice |         |         | Differential InSAR |       |  |  |  |  |
|            | U2 (6)R            | U2 (7)R | U2 (8)R | U2 (9)R | W2 (2)R |       | U2 (6)R                     | U2 (7)R | U2 (8)R | W2(2)R  | W2 (2)R | W2(2)R | W2(2)R             | W2(2)R  | W2(2)R  | W2(2)R                      | W2(2)R  | W2(2)R | W2 (2)R            | W2(2)R |         | U2 (6)R | U2 (7)R | U2 (8)R | U2 (9)R            |       |  |  |  |  |
| Ascending  | Differential InSAR |         |         |         |         |       | Differential InSAR          |         |         |         |         |        | Differential InSAR |         |         |                             |         |        | Differential InSAR |        |         |         |         |         |                    |       |  |  |  |  |
|            | FP (3)R            | FP (4)R | FP (5)R | FP (6)R | FP (7)R |       | U2 (6)R                     | U2 (7)R | U2 (8)R | U2 (9)R | W2 (2)R |        | U2 (6)R            | U2 (7)R | U2 (8)R | U2 (9)R                     | W2 (2)R |        |                    |        | U2 (6)R | U2 (7)R | U2 (8)R | U2 (9)R | W2 (2)R            |       |  |  |  |  |

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- ScanSAR[350km], Beam class: W2, Observation direction: Right, Beam Number: No.2
- ScanSAR[350km], Beam class: W2, Observation direction: Left, Beam Number: No.2
- Stripmap[3m], Beam class: U2, Observation direction: Right, Beam Number: No.6 - 9
- Stripmap[3m], Beam class: U2, Observation direction: Left, Beam Number: No.6 - 9
- Stripmap[3m], Beam class: U3, Observation direction: Right, Beam Number: No.10 - 14
- Stripmap[3m], Beam class: U3, Observation direction: Left, Beam Number: No.10 - 14
- Stripmap[6m] Full Polarization, Beam Number: No.3 - 7

【Number system】

EX: U2(6)R



Non-base map observations  
Adjustment with other observations necessary

# **5. Basic Observation Scenario (Global)**

# Concept of the Basic Observation Scenario (Global)

- (1) To avoid conflicts between observation requests.
- (2) To ensure highest possible observation frequency.
- (3) Observation requests with the same observation modes (beam mode, satellite flight direction, beam direction, polarisation) should as far as possible be observed during the same cycles.
  - Observations for Forest and Crustal Deformation monitoring by stripmap [10m] mode
  - Observations of Wetlands and for Deforestation monitoring and Crustal Deformation by ScanSAR [350km] mode
- (4) Observations in right-looking mode nominal, except over Antarctica.
- (5) Observation time windows are repeated annually for all regions
- (6) In case a region is too large to be covered within one cycle, it is divided and observed during several cycles.
- (7) Observations of polar regions mainly in ScanSAR mode.
- (8) Observations of desert, snow and ice regions have lower priority



# Basic Observation Scenario (Global)

- Descending acquisitions (noon, ~12:00)
  - Global observations in **Stripmap (3m SP)** mode once per three years
  - Observations of Wetlands, Rapid Deforestation and Crustal Deformation in **ScanSAR (350km DP)** mode
  - Observations of Crustal Deformation and Forests in **Stripmap (10m DP)** mode during **two cycles for InSAR** applications

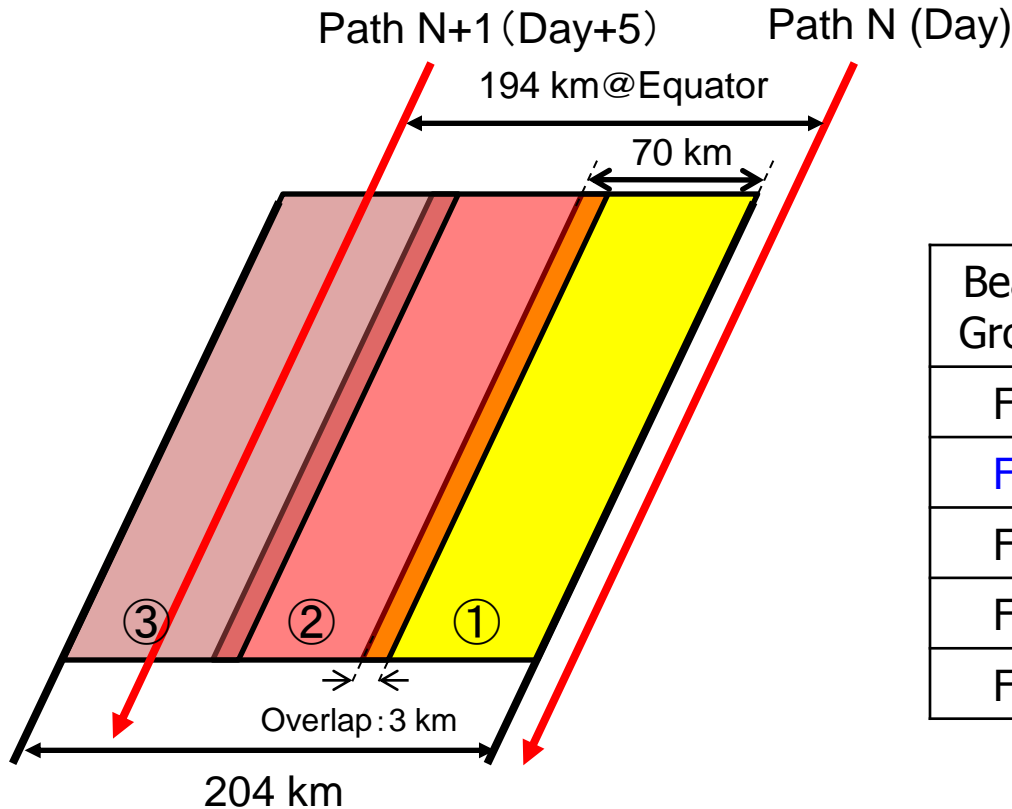
**(Super Sites)**

  - Observations of *Boreal and sub-Arctic* in **ScanSAR (490km DP)** mode (Until cycle 52)
  - InSAR observations of *Antarctica Glaciers* in **Stripmap (10m DP)** mode
- Ascending acquisitions (midnight, ~24:00)
  - Global observations in **Stripmap (10m DP)** mode twice per year
  - Observations of polar regions in **ScanSAR (350km DP)** mode three times per year to cover summer/winter seasons. Antarctica will be observed in left-looking mode to cover higher latitudes.
  - Global observations in **Stripmap (6m QP)** mode once per five years
  - Observations of special focus areas with **Stripmap (6m QP)** mode three times per five years
  - Observations of crustal movement monitoring (ScanSAR) once a time per 1 year

**(Super Sites)**

  - InSAR observations of *Greenland Glaciers* with **Stripmap (10m DP)** mode

# Global coverage by Fine Beam Mode [10m]



## Fine Beam Mode [10m]

| Beam Group | Incidence Angle | Number of beams to cover |
|------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| F1         | 8-30 deg.       | 4 beams                  |
| F2         | 30-44 deg.      | 3 beams                  |
| F3         | 44-56 deg.      | 5 beams                  |
| F4         | 56-64 deg.      | 5 beams                  |
| F5         | 64-70 deg.      | 5 beams                  |

F2: Nominal

A minimum of 3 beams is required for gap-free coverage  
 ⇒ Minimum: 14 days × 3 cycles = 42 days

# Basic Observation Scenario (Global)

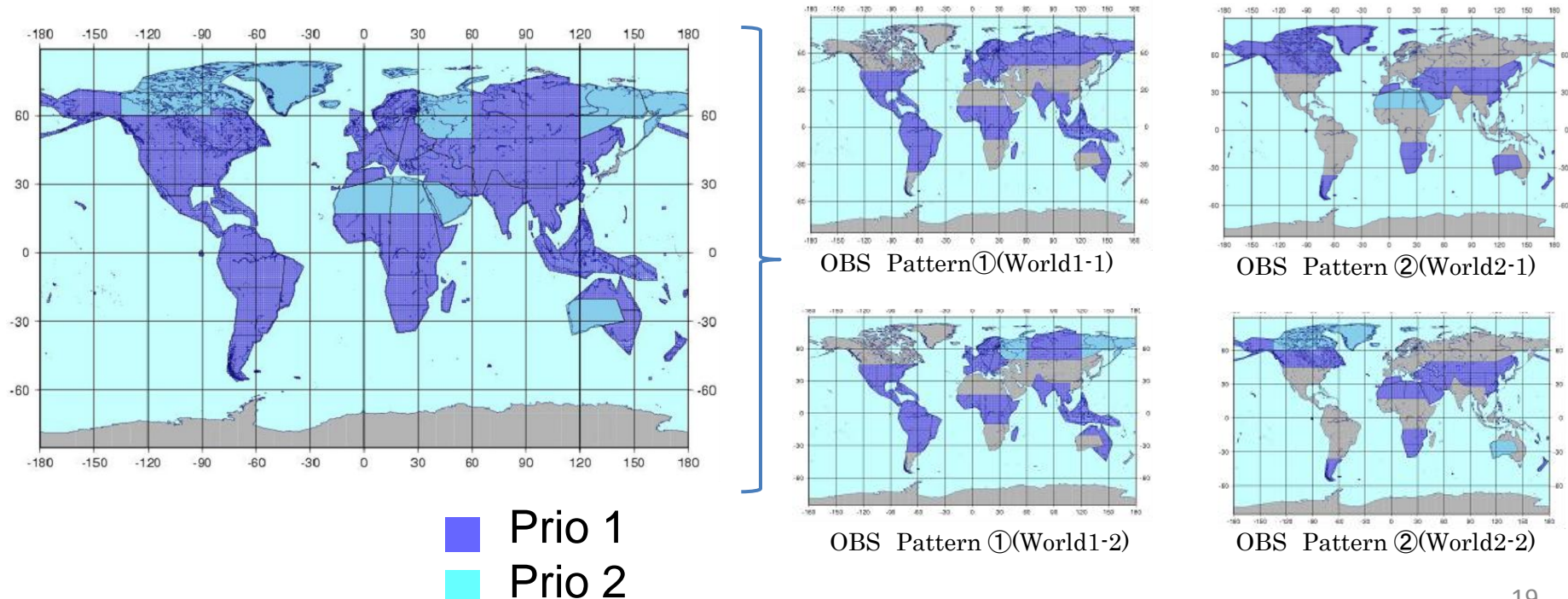
Global land areas – baseline mapping

Temporal repeat: 2 cov/year

GSD: 10 m (off-nadir  $28.2^\circ$  -  $36.2^\circ$  )

Mode: Stripmap Dual-pol (HH+HV/28MHz)

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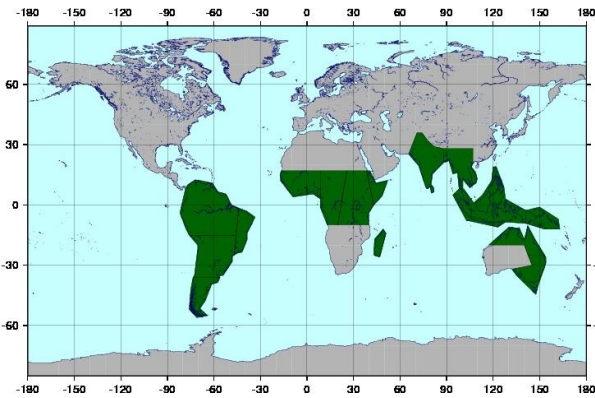
# Basic Observation Scenario (Global)

Global land areas – VHR baseline mapping

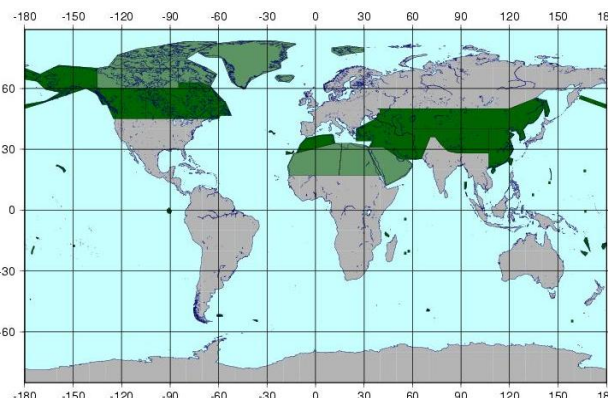
Temporal repeat: 1 cov/ 3 years

GSD: 3 m (off-nadir  $29.1^\circ$  -  $38.2^\circ$  )

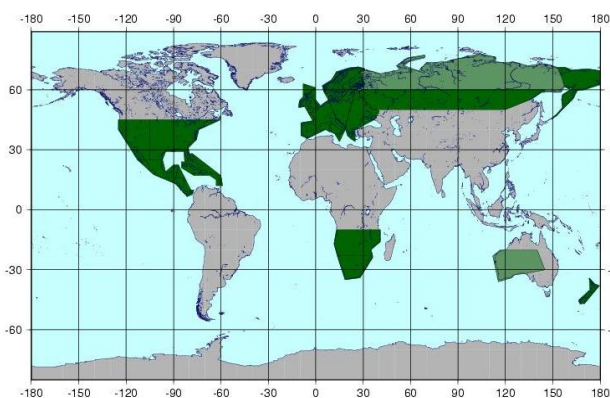
Mode: Stripmap Single-pol (HH/84MHz)



1<sup>st</sup> year



2<sup>nd</sup> year



3<sup>rd</sup> year

■ Prio 1  
■ Prio 2

\* 3 years required for global coverage in 3m mode

# Basic Observation Scenario (Global)

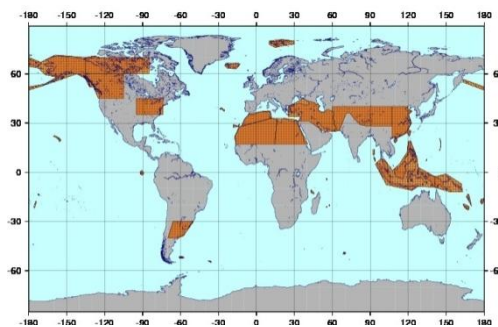
Global land areas – Quad-polarimetric baseline

Temporal repeat: 1 cov/ 5 years

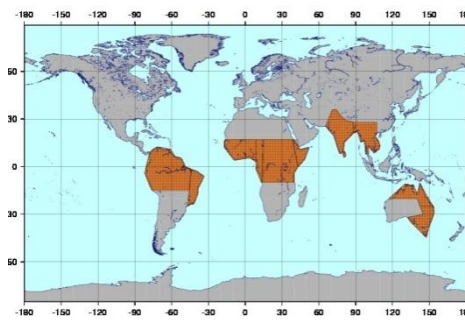
GSD: 6 m (off-nadir  $25.0^\circ$  -  $34.9^\circ$  )

Mode: Stripmap Quad-pol (HH+HV+VV+VH/42MHz)

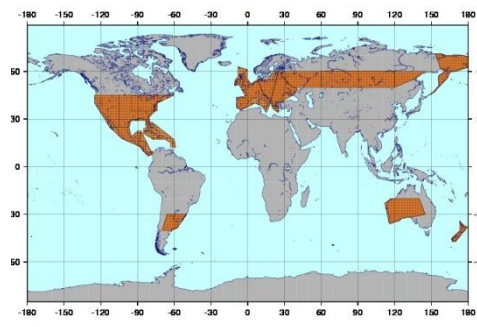
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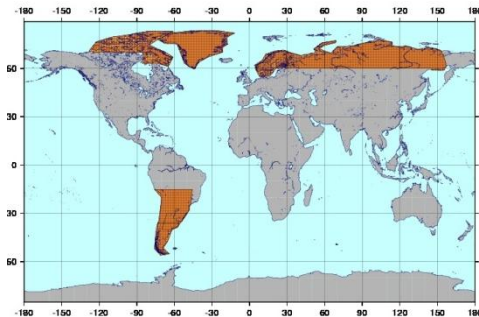
1st year



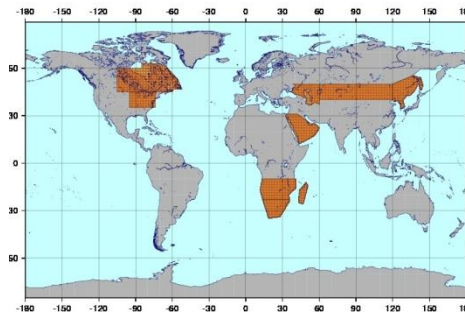
2nd year



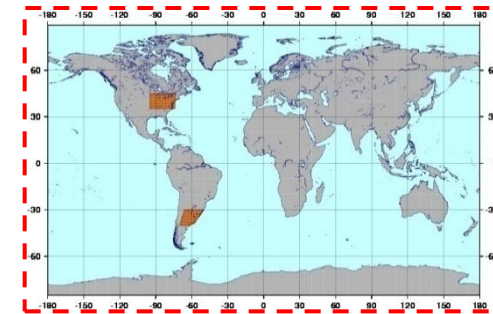
3rd year



4th year



5th year



2 areas 3 cov/5 years

\* 5 years required for global coverage in 6m QP mode



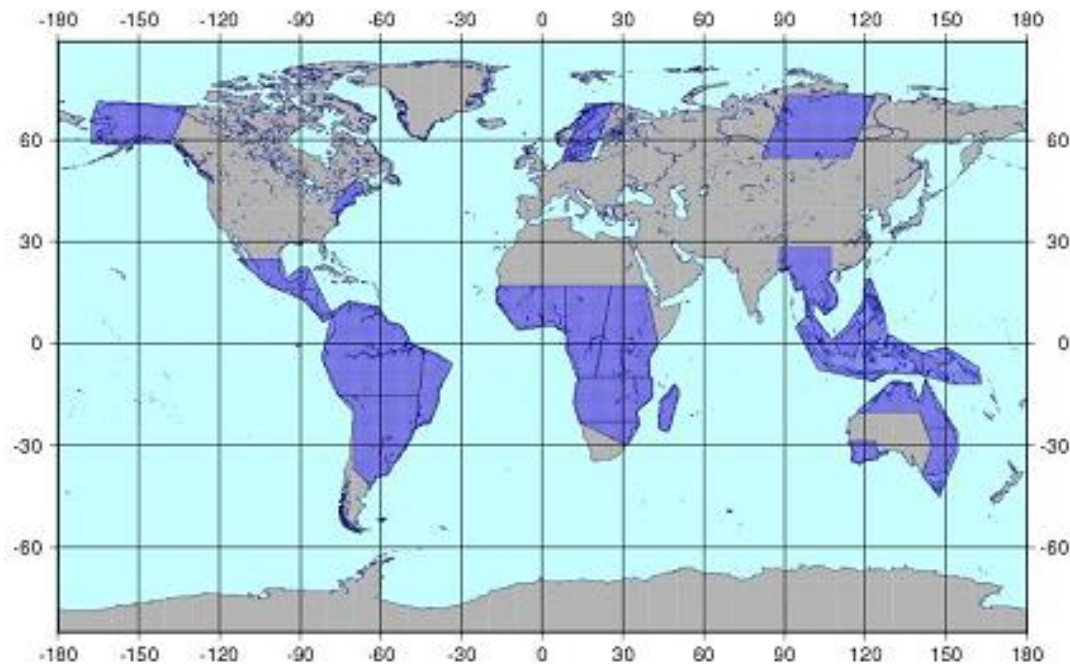
# Basic Observation Scenario (Global)

## Forest monitoring

Temporal repeat: 2-6 cov/year (tropics 6 cov)

GSD: 10 m (off-nadir  $28.2^\circ$  -  $36.2^\circ$  )

Mode: Stripmap Dual-pol (HH+HV/28MHz)



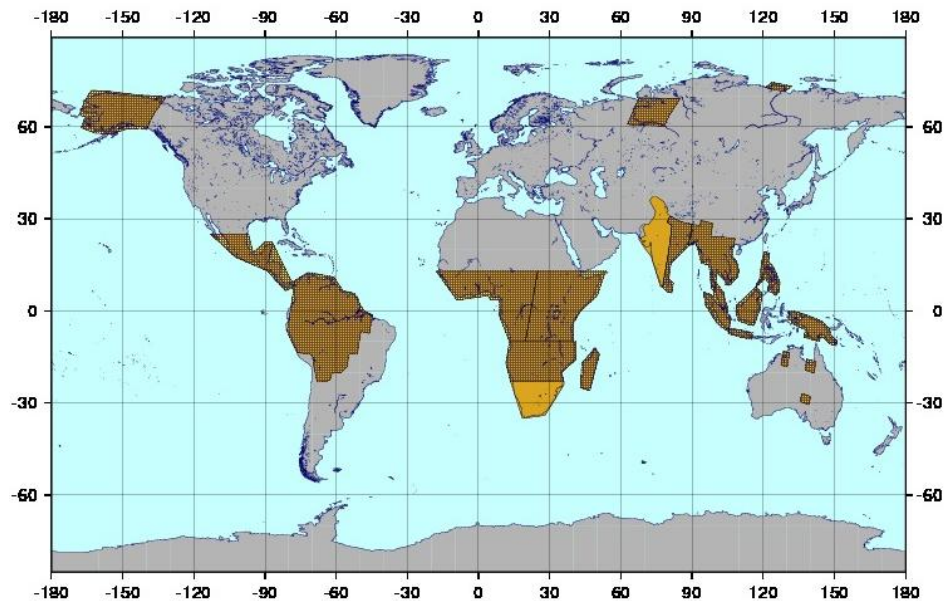
# Basic Observation Scenario (Global)

Wetlands & Rapid deforestation monitoring

Temporal repeat: 9 cov/year

GSD: 100 m (off-nadir  $26.2^\circ$  -  $41.8^\circ$  )

Mode: ScanSAR 350km Dual-pol (HH+HV/14MHz)



- Prio 1
- Prio 2

Wetlands & Rapid deforestation monitoring Area

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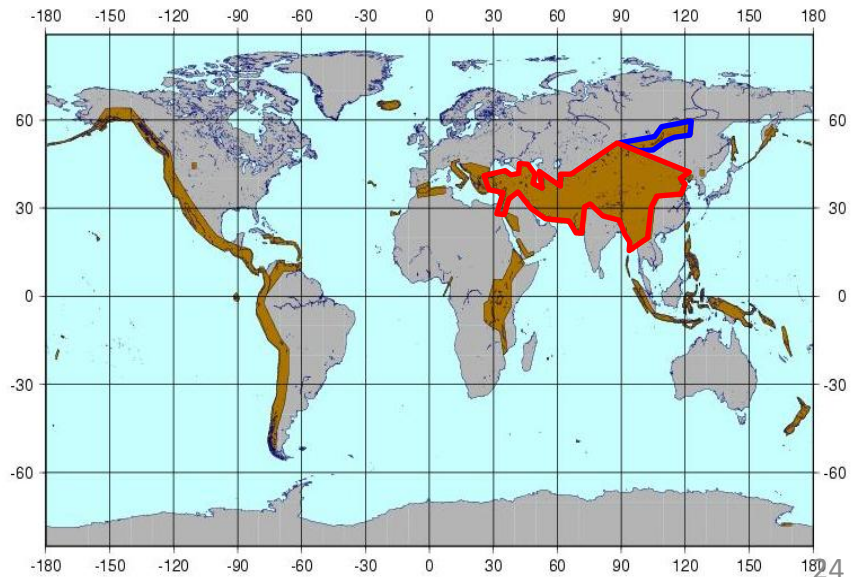
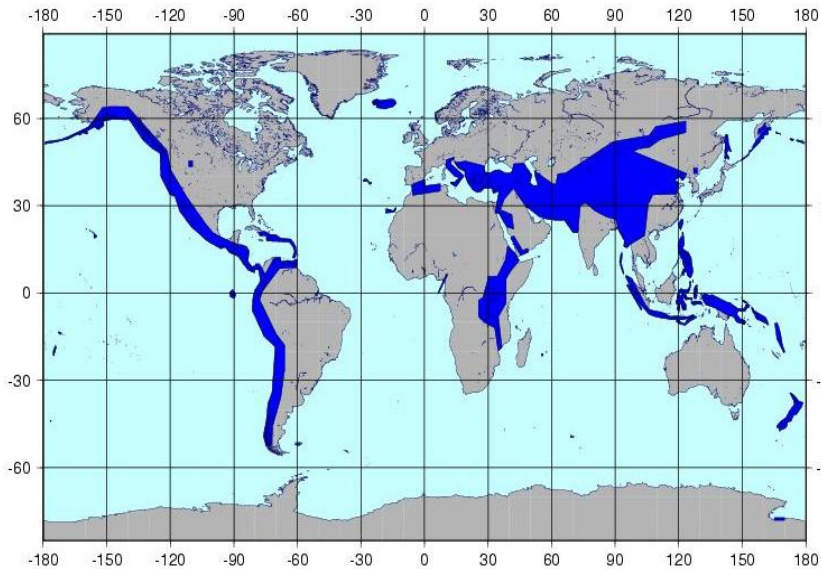
# Basic Observation Scenario (Global)

## Crustal Deformation

Temporal repeat: 2-6 cov/year & 9 cov/year

GSD: 10 m (off-nadir  $28.2^\circ - 36.2^\circ$ )  
& 100 m (off-nadir  $26.2^\circ - 41.8^\circ$ )

Mode: Stripmap Dual-pol (HH+HV/28MHz)  
& ScanSAR 350km (HH+HV/14MHz)



\* Red Area(K1) 7 cov./1 year, Blue Area(K46) 2 cov./1 year

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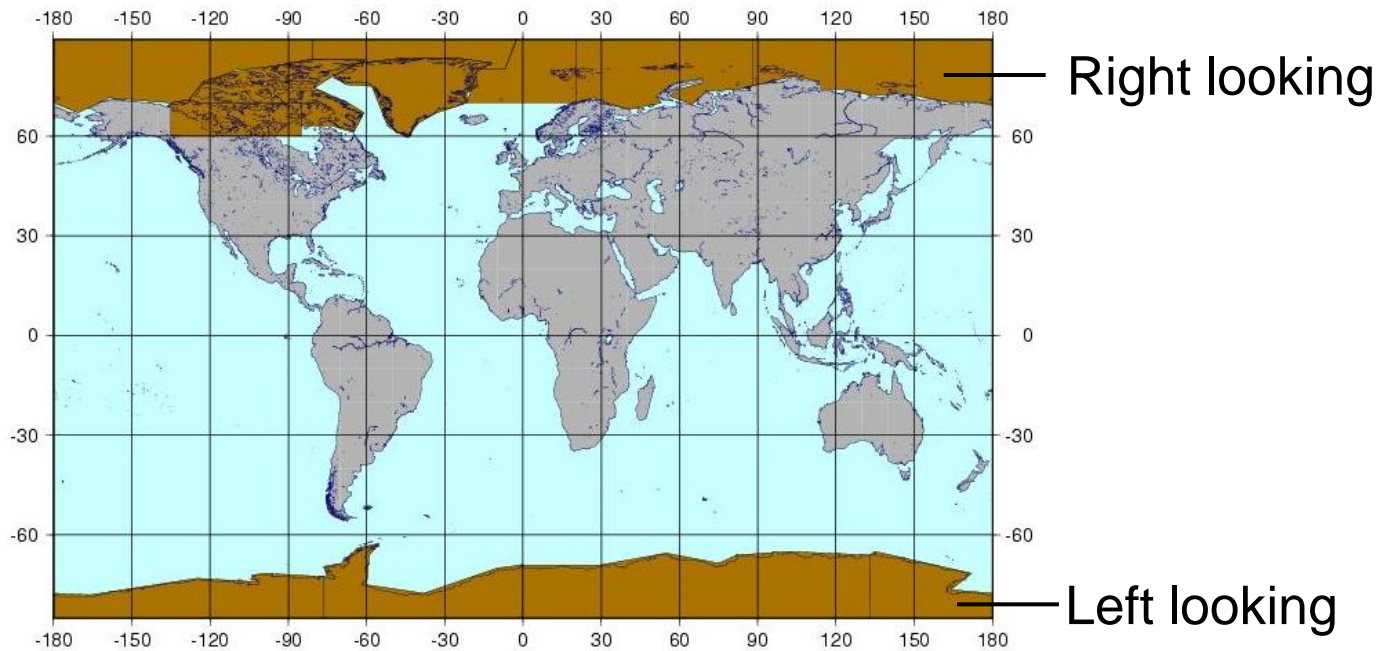
# Basic Observation Scenario (Global)

## Polar Ice

Temporal repeat: 3 cov/year

GSD: 100 m (off-nadir  $26.2^\circ$  –  $41.8^\circ$  )

Mode: ScanSAR 350km (HH+HV/14MHz)



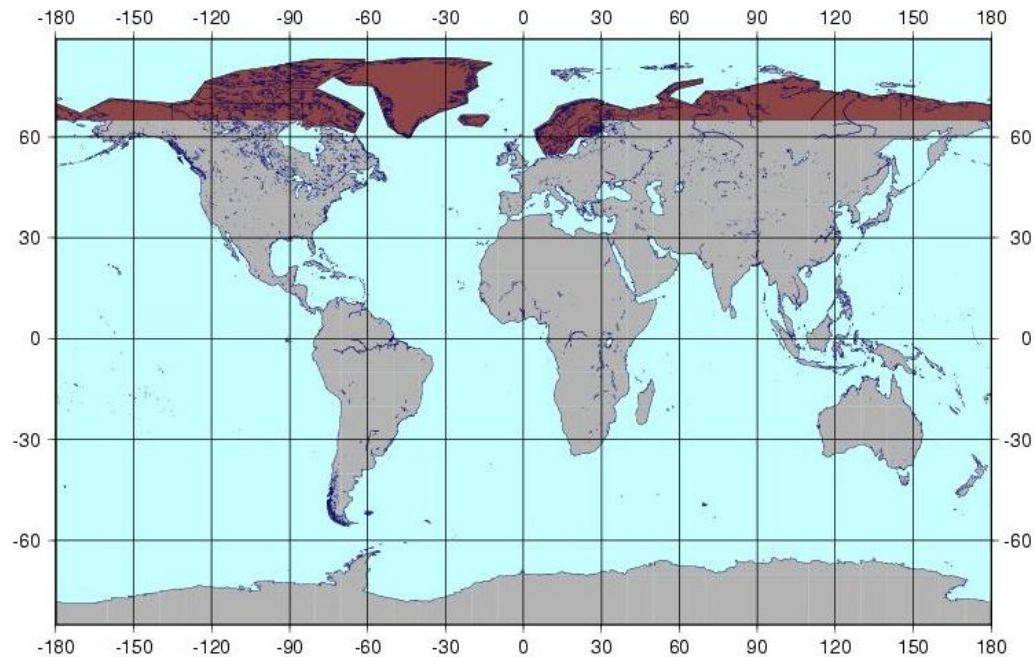
# Super Sites (K&C)

## Boreal and sub-Arctic

Temporal repeat: 3 cov/year (Until cycle52)

GSD: 100 m (offnadir  $34.9^\circ$  -  $51.5^\circ$  )

Mode: ScanSAR 490km (HH+HV/14MHz)



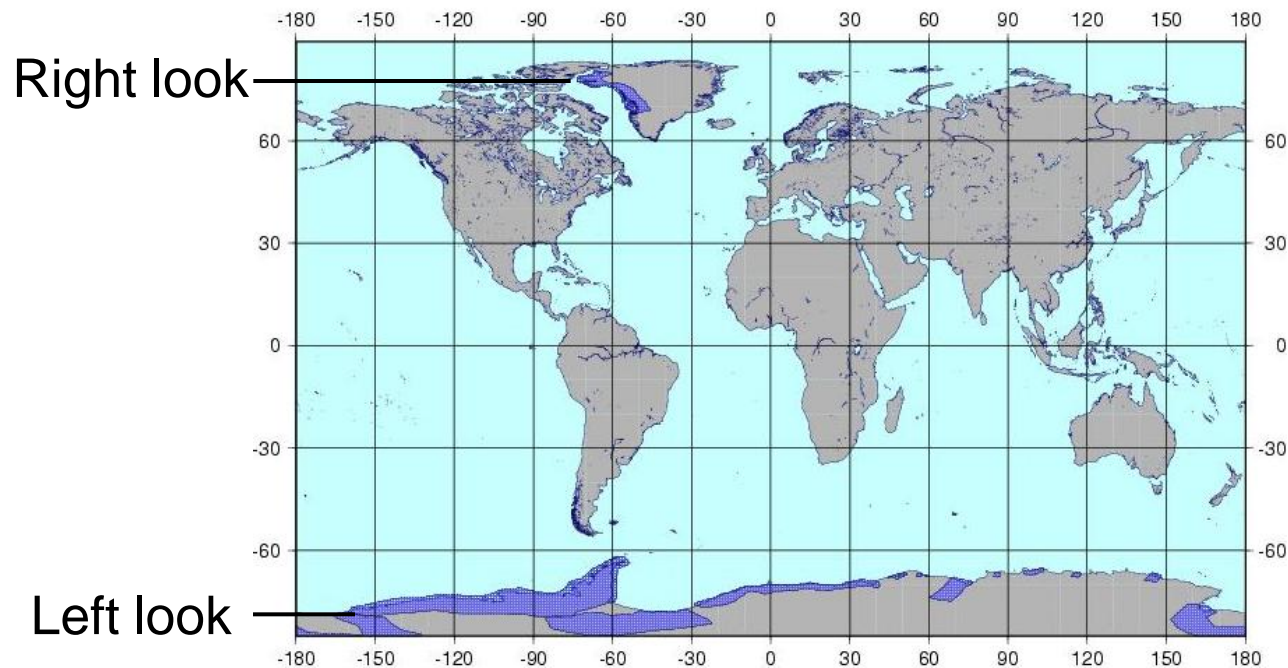
# Super Sites (K&C)

## Glacier movement

Temporal repeat: 3 cov/year

GSD: 10 m (off-nadir  $32.5^\circ$  )

Mode: Stripmap Dual-pol (HH/28MHz)



# Super Sites (CEOS)

Temporal repeat: when coinciding with BOS observations

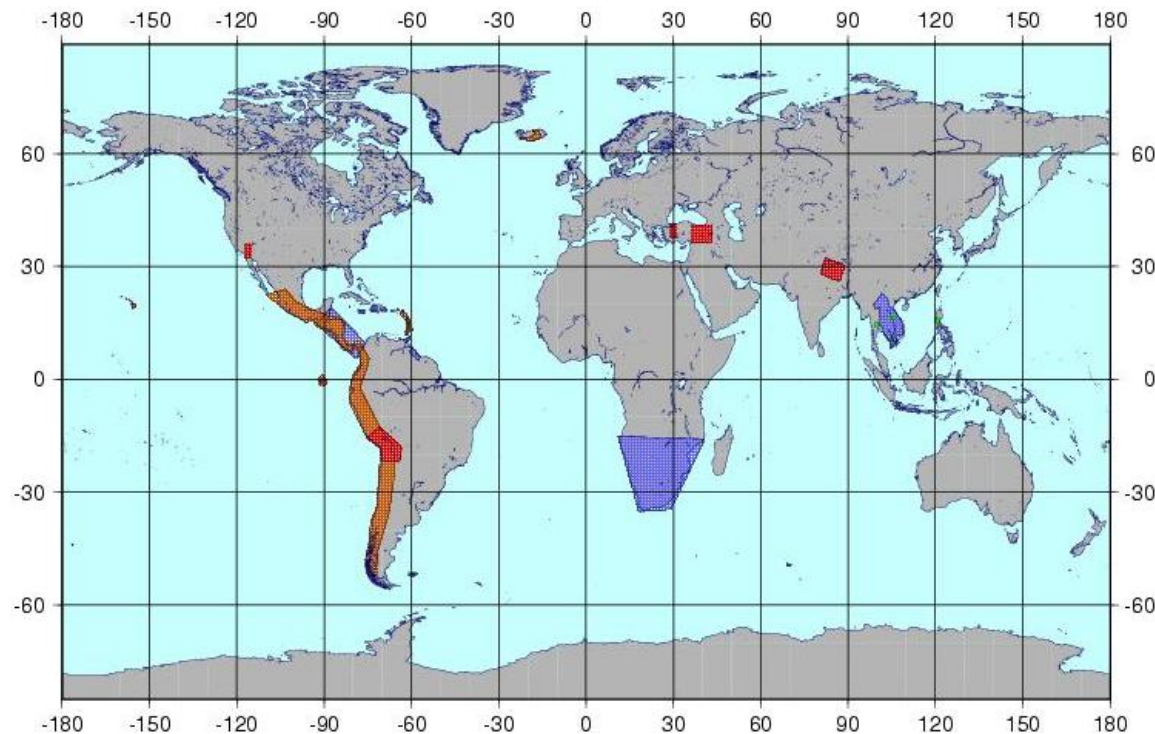
GSD: 10 m (off-nadir  $28.2^\circ - 36.2^\circ$  )

& 100 m (off-nadir  $26.2^\circ - 41.8^\circ$  )

Mode: Stripmap Dual-pol (HH+HV/28MHz)

& ScanSAR 350km (HH+HV/14MHz)

-  Agriculture
-  Earthquakes
-  Volcanos
-  Flooding

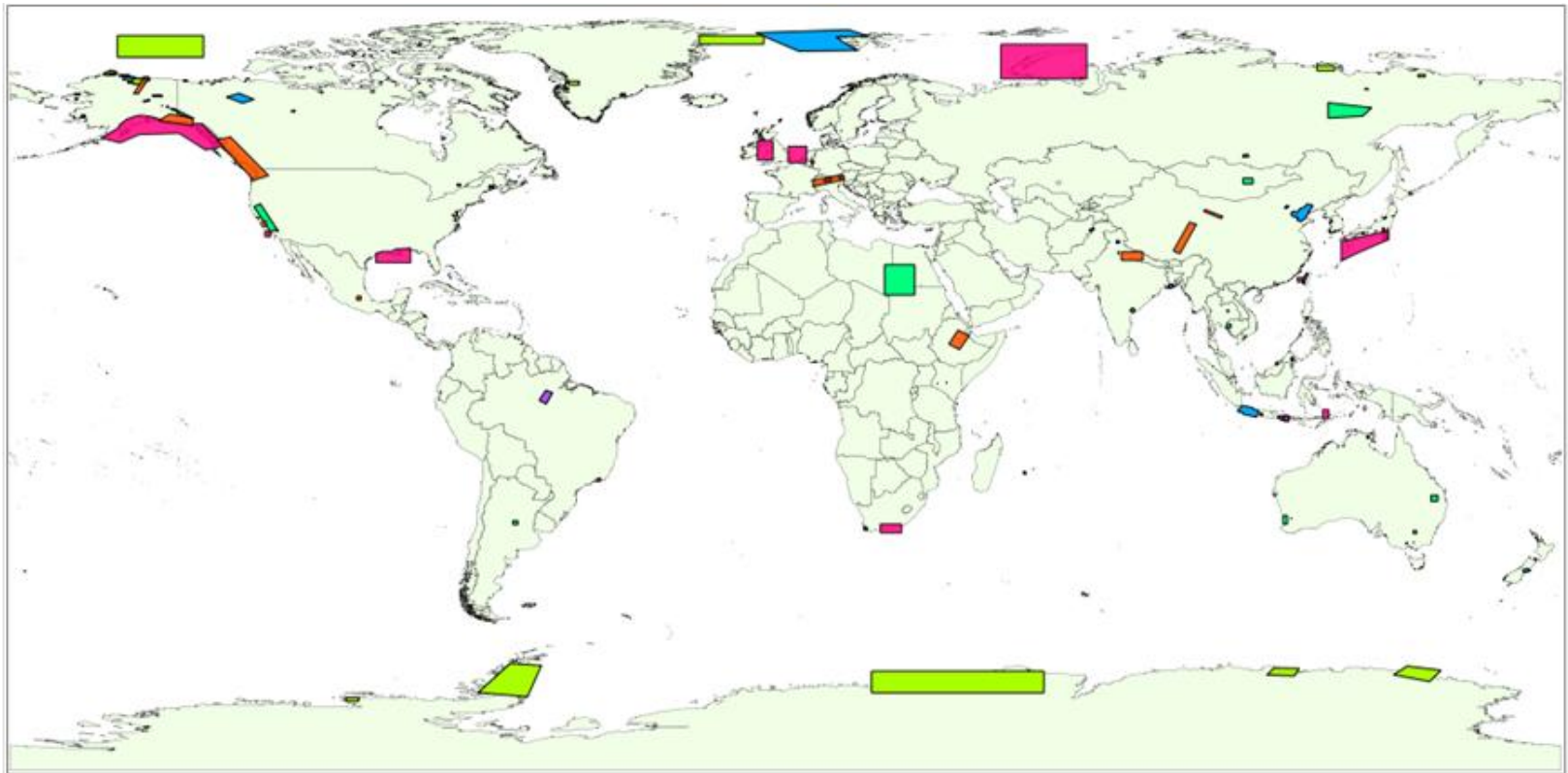


# Super Sites (PI)

Temporal repeat: When not affecting the BOS

GSD: according to PI requests

Mode: according to PI requests





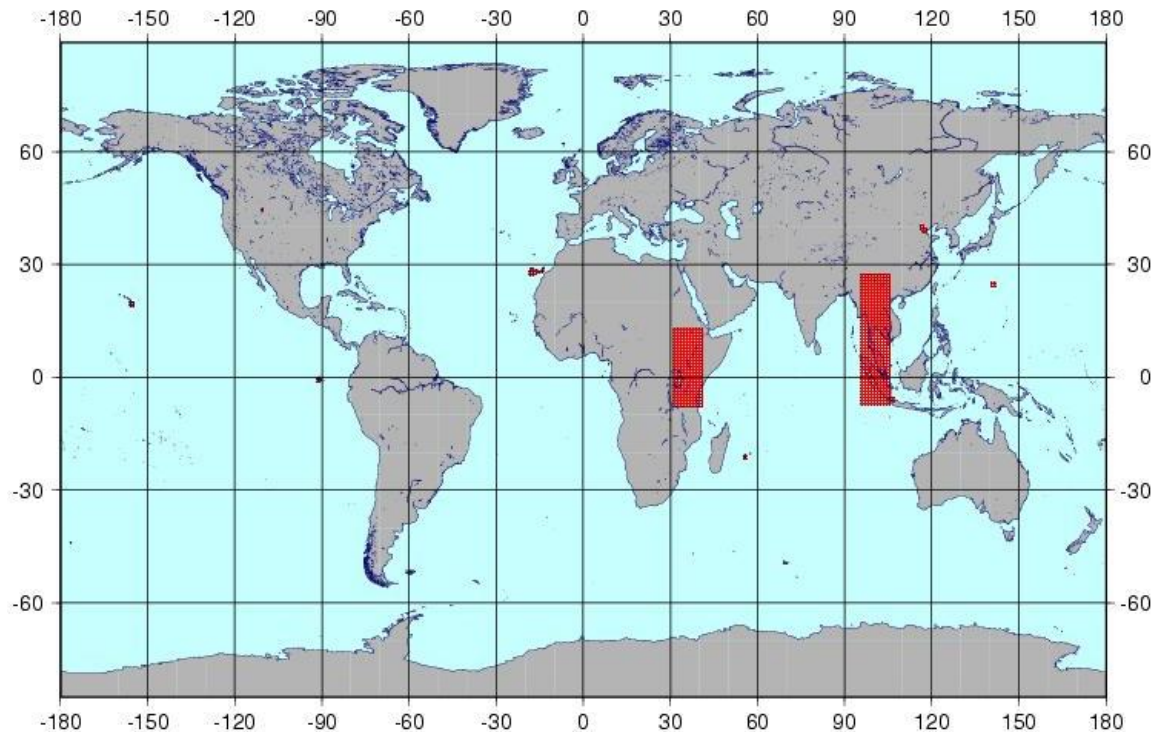
# Super Sites (Crustal WG)

Temporal repeat: When not affecting the BOS

GSD: according to WG request

Mode: according to WG request

 Requested Areas



# Basic Observation Scenario (Global)

| 1st Year   |      | 2014年                    |                    |                          |                    |                       |                          |                 |         |                          |                 |                          |                |                       |                          |                             |                          |                             |                          |                             |                          |                             |                          |                       |                          |         |         |  | 2015年 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------|------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|---------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|---------|---------|--|-------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Cycle      | Year | 2                        | 3                  | 4                        | 5                  | 6                     | 7                        | 8               | 9       | 10                       | 11              | 12                       | 13             | 14                    | 15                       | 16                          | 17                       | 18                          | 19                       | 20                          | 21                       | 22                          | 23                       | 24                    | 25                       | 26      | 27      |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Month/Day  |      | 08/04                    | 08/18              | 09/01                    | 09/15              | 09/29                 | 10/13                    | 10/27           | 11/10   | 11/24                    | 12/08           | 12/22                    | 01/05          | 01/19                 | 02/02                    | 02/16                       | 03/02                    | 03/16                       | 03/30                    | 04/13                       | 04/27                    | 05/11                       | 05/25                    | 06/08                 | 06/22                    | 07/06   | 07/20   |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Descending |      | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Glacier Super Site | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Glacier Super Site | sub-Arctic Super Site | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Global 3m (1/3) |         | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Global 3m (1/3) | Crustal Wetland Deforest |                | sub-Arctic Super Site | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Crustal&Forest 14-day InSAR | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Crustal&Forest 14-day InSAR | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Crustal&Forest 14-day InSAR | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Crustal&Forest 14-day InSAR | Crustal Wetland Deforest | sub-Arctic Super Site | Crustal Wetland Deforest |         |         |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |      | W2 (2)R                  | F2(6)L             | W2 (2)R                  | F2(6)L             | V2(2)R                | W2 (2)R                  | U2 (6)R         | U2 (7)R | W2 (2)R                  | U2 (8)R         | U2 (9)R                  | W2 (2)R        |                       | V2(2)R                   | W2 (2)R                     | F2 (5)R                  | F2 (5)R                     | W2 (2)R                  | F2 (6)R                     | F2 (6)R                  | W2 (2)R                     | F2 (7)R                  | F2 (7)R               | W2 (2)R                  | V2(2)R  | W2 (2)R |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ascending  |      | Crustal                  | Pole               | World 1-1(10m)           |                    |                       |                          | World 2-1(10m)  |         |                          | Pole            | North Pole               | World 1-2(10m) |                       |                          | GR Super Site               | GR Super Site            | Global FP6m (1/5)           |                          |                             |                          |                             | World 2-2(10m)           |                       |                          |         |         |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |      | W2 (2)R                  | W2(2)R             | F2 (7)R                  | F2 (5)R            | F2 (6)R               |                          | F2 (7)R         | F2 (5)R | F2 (6)R                  | W2(2)R          | W2(2)R                   | F2 (7)R        | F2 (5)R               | F2 (6)R                  | F2(6)R                      | F2(6)R                   | FP (6)R                     | FP (5)R                  | FP (4)R                     | FP (3)R                  | FP (7)R                     |                          | F2 (7)R               | F2 (5)R                  | F2 (6)R |         |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |

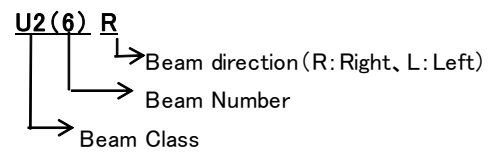
| 2nd Year   |      | 2015年              |                    |                          |                    |                       |                          |                 |         |                          |                 |                          |                |                       |                          |                |                          |                   |                          |                |                          |                |                          |                       |                          |         |         |  | 2016年 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------|------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|---------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|---------|---------|--|-------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Cycle      | Year | 28                 | 29                 | 30                       | 31                 | 32                    | 33                       | 34              | 35      | 36                       | 37              | 38                       | 39             | 40                    | 41                       | 42             | 43                       | 44                | 45                       | 46             | 47                       | 48             | 49                       | 50                    | 51                       | 52      | 53      |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Month/Day  |      | 08/03              | 08/17              | 08/31                    | 09/14              | 09/28                 | 10/12                    | 10/26           | 11/09   | 11/23                    | 12/07           | 12/21                    | 01/04          | 01/18                 | 02/01                    | 02/15          | 02/29                    | 03/14             | 03/28                    | 04/11          | 04/25                    | 05/09          | 05/23                    | 06/06                 | 06/20                    | 07/04   | 07/18   |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Descending |      | Glacier Super Site | Glacier Super Site | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Glacier Super Site | sub-Arctic Super Site | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Global 3m (2/3) |         | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Global 3m (2/3) | Crustal Wetland Deforest |                | sub-Arctic Super Site | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Crustal&Forest | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Crustal&Forest    | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Crustal&Forest | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Crustal&Forest | Crustal Wetland Deforest | sub-Arctic Super Site | Crustal Wetland Deforest |         |         |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |      | F2(6)L             | F2(6)L             | W2 (2)R                  | F2(6)L             | V2(2)R                | W2 (2)R                  | U2 (6)R         | U2 (7)R | W2 (2)R                  | U2 (8)R         | U2 (9)R                  | W2 (2)R        |                       | V2(2)R                   | W2 (2)R        | F2 (5)R                  | F2 (6)R           | W2 (2)R                  | F2 (7)R        | F2 (5)R                  | W2 (2)R        | F2 (6)R                  | F2 (7)R               | W2 (2)R                  | V2(2)R  | W2 (2)R |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ascending  |      | North Pole         | Pole               | World 1-1(10m)           |                    |                       |                          | World 2-1(10m)  |         |                          | Pole            | South Pole               | World 1-2(10m) |                       |                          | GR Super Site  | GR Super Site            | Global FP6m (2/5) |                          |                |                          |                | World 2(10m)             |                       |                          |         |         |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |      | W2(2)R             | W2(2)R             | F2 (7)R                  | F2 (5)R            | F2 (6)R               |                          | F2 (7)R         | F2 (5)R | F2 (6)R                  | W2(2)R          | W2(2)R                   | F2 (7)R        | F2 (5)R               | F2 (6)R                  | F2(6)R         | F2(6)R                   | FP (6)R           | FP (5)R                  | FP (4)R        | FP (3)R                  | FP (7)R        |                          | F2 (7)R               | F2 (5)R                  | F2 (6)R |         |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| 3rd Year   |      | 2016年              |                    |                |                    |         |                          |                 |         |                          |                 |                          |                |                          |                |                          |                |                          |                |                          |                |                          |                |                          |                          |         |       |  | 2017年 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Cycle      | Year | 54                 | 55                 | 56             | 57                 | 58      | 59                       | 60              | 61      | 62                       | 63              | 64                       | 65             | 66                       | 67             | 68                       | 69             | 70                       | 71             | 72                       | 73             | 74                       | 75             | 76                       | 77                       | 78      | 79    |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Month/Day  |      | 08/01              | 08/15              | 08/29          | 09/12              | 09/26   | 10/10                    | 10/24           | 11/07   | 11/21                    | 12/05           | 12/19                    | 01/02          | 01/16                    | 01/30          | 02/13                    | 02/27          | 03/13                    | 03/27          | 04/10                    | 04/24          | 05/08                    | 05/22          | 06/05                    | 06/19                    | 07/03   | 07/17 |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Descending |      | Glacier Super Site | Glacier Super Site | D+WF           | Glacier Super Site |         | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Global 3m (3/3) |         | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Global 3m (3/3) | Crustal Wetland Deforest |                | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Crustal&Forest | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Crustal&Forest | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Crustal&Forest | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Crustal&Forest | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Crustal&Forest | Crustal Wetland Deforest | Crustal Wetland Deforest |         |       |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |      | F2(6)L             | F2(6)L             | W2 (2)R        | F2(6)L             |         | W2 (2)R                  | U2 (6)R         | U2 (7)R | W2 (2)R                  | U2 (8)R         | U2 (9)R                  | W2 (2)R        |                          | W2 (2)R        | F2 (5)R                  | F2 (6)R        | W2 (2)R                  | F2 (7)R        | F2 (5)R                  | W2 (2)R        | F2 (6)R                  | F2 (7)R        | W2 (2)R                  |                          | W2 (2)R |       |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ascending  |      | North Pole         | Pole               | World 1-1(10m) |                    |         |                          | World 2-1(10m)  |         |                          | Pole            | South Pole               | World 1-2(10m) |                          |                | GR Super Site            | GR Super Site  | Global FP6m (3/5)        |                |                          |                |                          | World 2-2(10m) |                          |                          |         |       |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |      | W2 (2)R            | W2(2)R             | F2 (7)R        | F2 (5)R            | F2 (6)R |                          | F2 (7)R         | F2 (5)R | F2 (6)R                  | W2(2)R          | W2(2)R                   | F2 (7)R        | F2 (5)R                  | F2 (6)R        | F2(6)R                   | F2(6)R         | FP (6)R                  | FP (5)R        | FP (4)R                  | FP (3)R        | FP (7)R                  |                | F2 (7)R                  | F2 (5)R                  | F2 (6)R |       |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |

- F2 10m** 10m(HH+HV)28MHz Right
- U2 3m** 3m(HH)84MHz Right
- FP 6m** 6m(HH+HV+VH+VV)42MHz Right
- W2 350km** ScansAR350km(HH+HV)14MHz Right
- W2 350km** ScansAR350km(HH+HV)14MHz Left
- V2 490km** ScansAR490km(HH+HV)14MHz Right
- F2 10m** 10m(HH+HV)28MHz Left

[Number system]

EX: U2(6)R



   Super sites (TBD)

(\*) \*Beam No.

\* 3m SP and 6m QP modes require 3 and 5 years for global coverage 31

## Appendix 1

# Analysis results: Revisit-times for Basic Observation Scenario over Japan and Frequency of Differential InSAR

### (1) Revisit-times after completion of base map observations of Japan

| Observation mode  | Average | Maximum      |
|---|---------|--------------|
| U2 (Ascending, Descending) U3 (Descending only)                             | 65 hr   | 74 hr* (121) |
| <i>Reference: U2 (Ascending, Descending)<br/>W2 (Ascending, Descending)</i> | 61hr    | 132 hr       |

\*except parts of regions in Kyushu and Okinawa

### (2) Frequency of Differential InSAR

(note: Emergency observations of disasters separately )

| Orbit direction     | Stripmap 3m                             |                | ScanSAR 350km                           |                |
|---------------------|---|----------------|---|----------------|
|                     | Maximum number of observations (year)** | InSAR interval | Maximum number of observations (year)** | InSAR interval |
| Descending<br>right | 4                                       | 3~3.5 months   | 6                                       | 1.5~4.5 months |
| Ascending<br>right  | 4                                       | 2.5~3.5 months | 6                                       | 1.5~4.5 months |

\*\* In case of no conflict with the user of crustal movement other than