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Objective

Prototype Phase

- Create an interactive visualisation of CCI data sets to introduce the CCI programme, show and explore some of the CCI data sets, and compare one data set with another.
- Aimed at a technical audience familiar with Earth observation data.

Production Phase

- Expand to include the full set of Essential Climate Variables.
- For public relations and educational purposes.



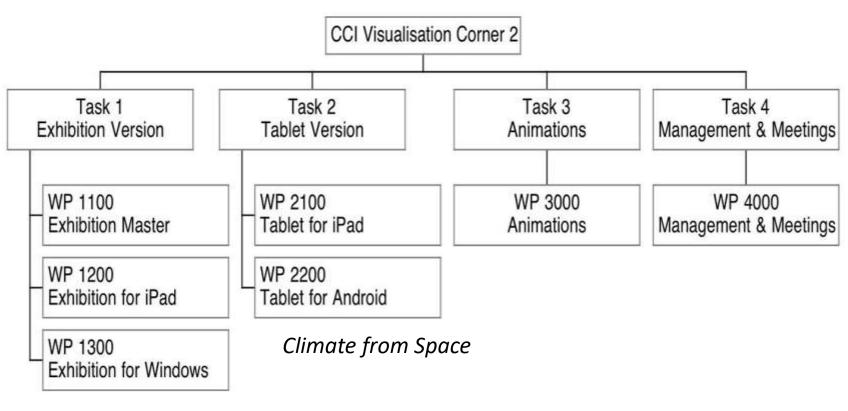




Exhibition
Version
CCI Visualisation Tool

Animations

Tablet
Version
Climate from Space



CCI Visualisation Tool

Audience

Task 1 Exhibition Version

- non-expert scientists, project managers, decision makers
- scientific conferences and intergovernmental meetings
- presentation mediated by an expert

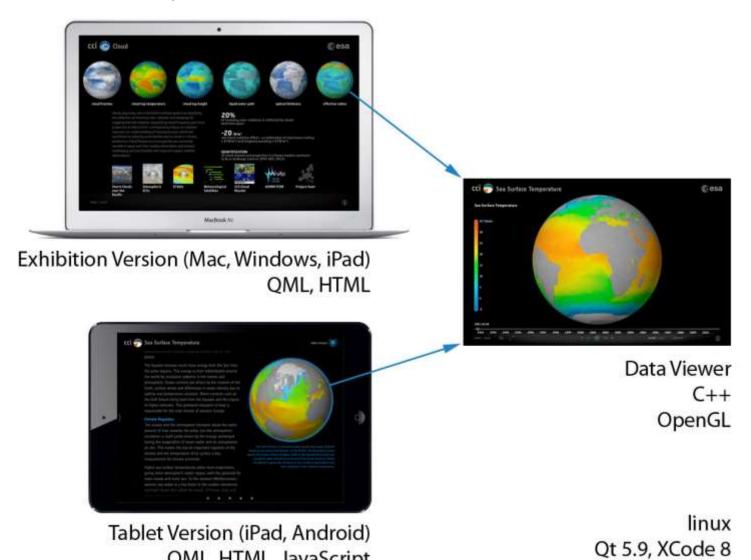
Task 2 Tablet Version

- general public, across Europe, English speaking, educated, interested
- Apple and Android app stores
- self-drive digital book

Task 3 Animations

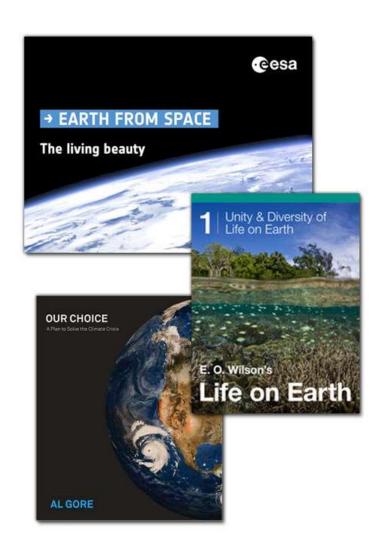
- general public, news editors, television programme makers
- ESA website, online media, tv news and press

Software Development



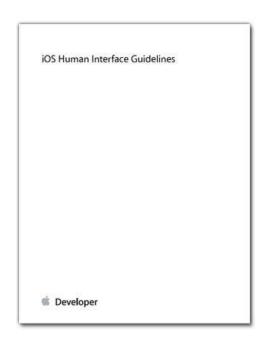
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TASK 2 Tablet Version Prior Art





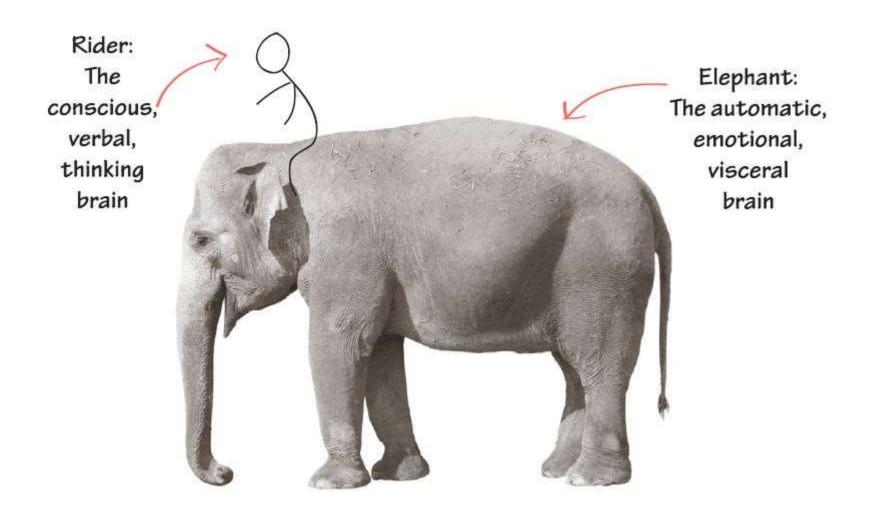
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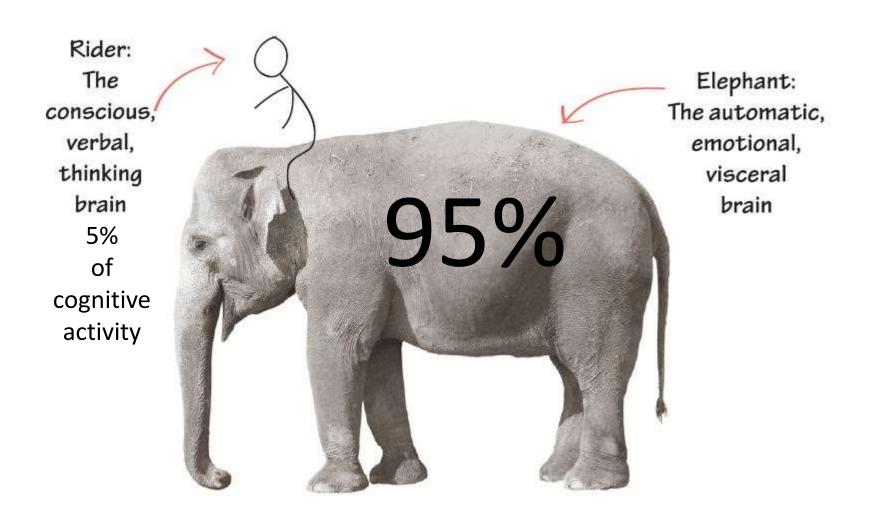




Presenting the Unfamiliar

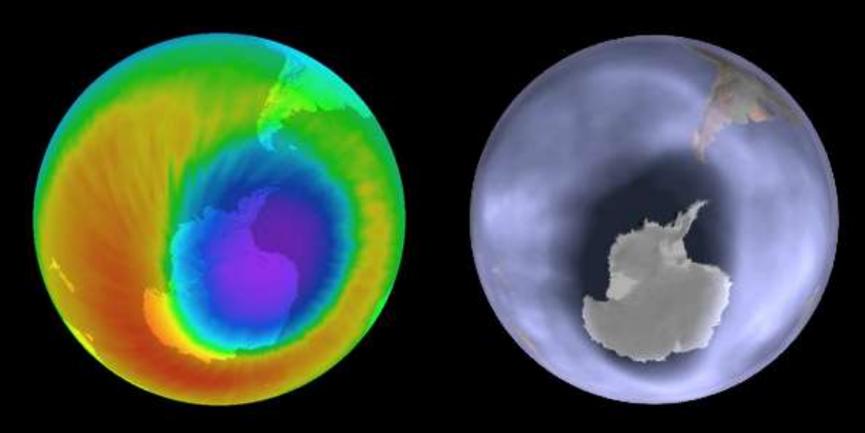


Presenting the Unfamiliar



Presenting the Unfamiliar

- Natural colour background maps (meaningful colour for data)
- 3D digital terrain, data as height field
- Realism atmosphere, clouds, haze, reflecting water
- Immersion seamless virtual world
- Data quality dropout, coverage, algorithm limits
- Context geographical, scientific, historical
- Story clarity, significance, relevance, connection
- Integrity GIS, digital mapping, data analysis software



precision

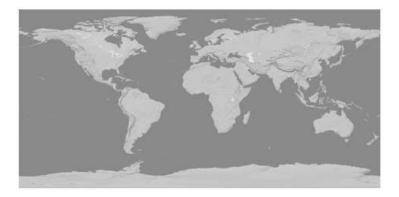
spatial structure, motion, understanding

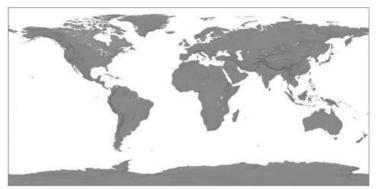
Understanding Colour Keys

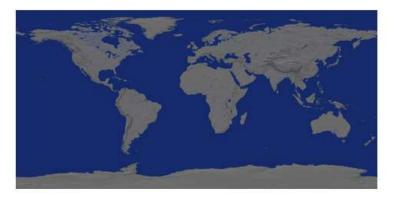
- proportionate colour change proportional to data value change (eg, Brewer's perceptual pallettes)
- monotonic constant brightness/saturation, or brightness/saturation increasing with data value (not reversing)
- unambiguous avoid similar colours at opposite ends of the range (eg, red and purple in the common spectrum or rainbow palette)
- appropriate to the characteristics of the data (eg, sequential or divergent?)
- easily-understood meaningful to the viewer, intuitive
- distinct from each other for comparisons
- satisfactory to the science teams(!)

Spectrum palette Modified spectrum - sea surface temperature Spectrum with transparency (or increasing saturation) Intuitive palette - normalised difference vegetation index Divergent palette - sea level anomaly (red=positive, blue=negative) Inverted divergent - soil moisture anomaly (red=dry, blue=wet)

ESA CCI Visualisation Corner Background Maps







Standard Background

GHG
Aerosol
Ozone
Soil Moisture
Fire
Land Cover
Glaciers
Ice Sheets

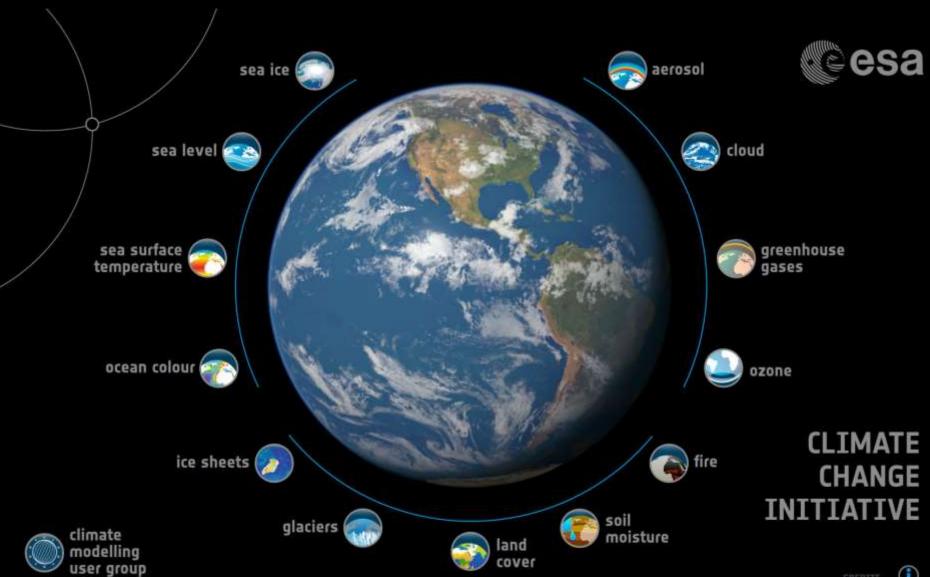
Sea Background

Sea Level SST Ocean Colour

Blue Background

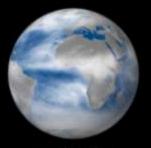
Cloud Sea Ice



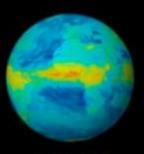


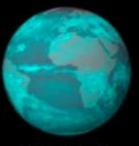




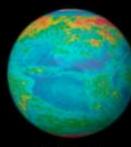












cloud fraction

cloud top temperature

cloud top height

liquid water path

optical thickness

effective radius

Clouds play a key role in the Earth's climate system by amplifying the reflection of incoming solar radiation and damping the outgoing thermal radiation. Quantifying cloud frequency and cloud properties as well as their corresponding impact on radiation improves our understanding of cloud processes, which will contribute to reducing uncertainties due to clouds in climate predictions. Cloud frequency and properties are extremely variable in space and time, making observation and analysis challenging and only feasible with long-term global satellite observations.



of incoming solar radiation is reflected by clouds back into space

-20 w/m2

net cloud radiative effect - a combination of shortwave cooling (-47W/m²) and longwave warming (+27W/m²)

QUANTIFICATION

of cloud amount and properties in climate models continues to be a challenge (source: IPCC ARS, 2013)



Storm Clouds over the Pacific



Atmospheric ECVs



Meteorological Satellites



CCI Cloud Results



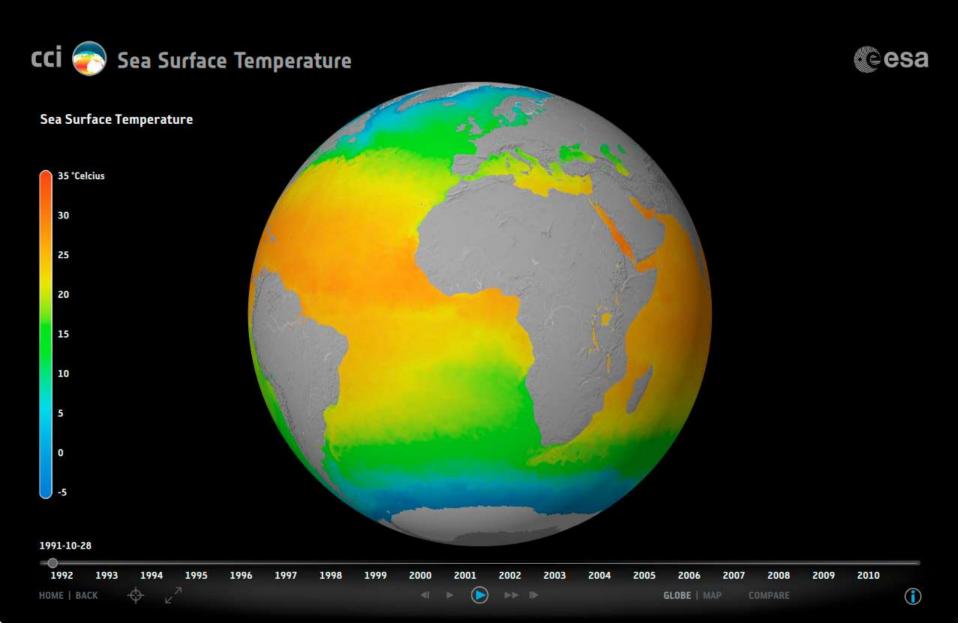
Total Cloud Cover



AVHRR FCDR



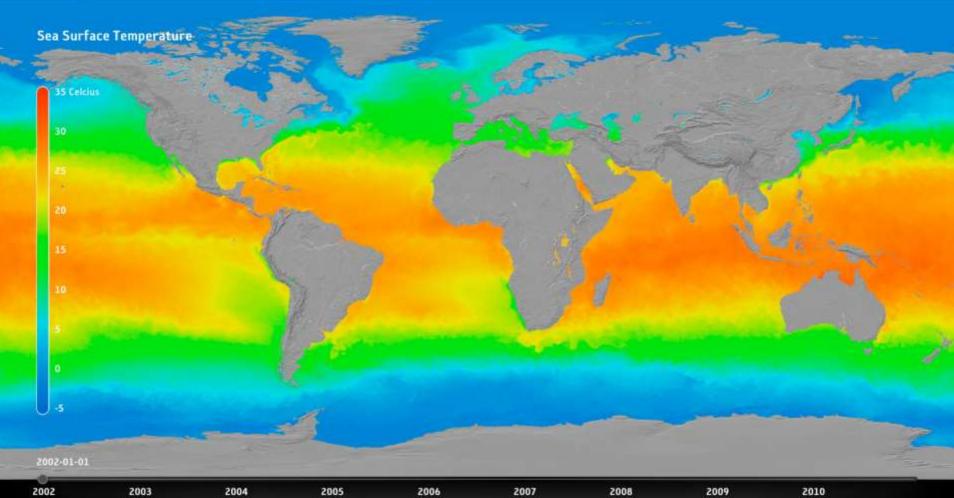
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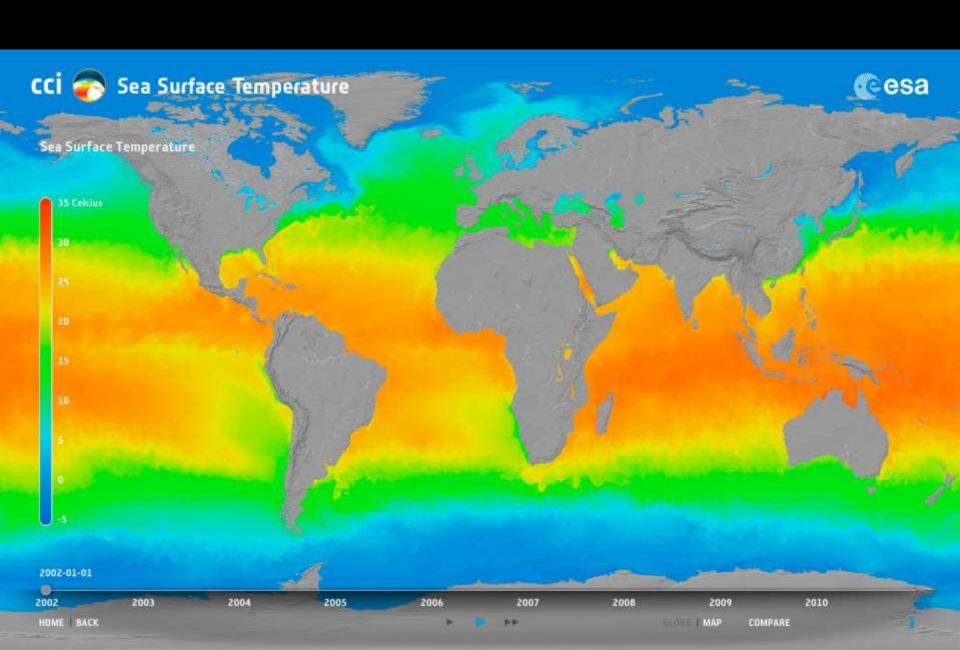


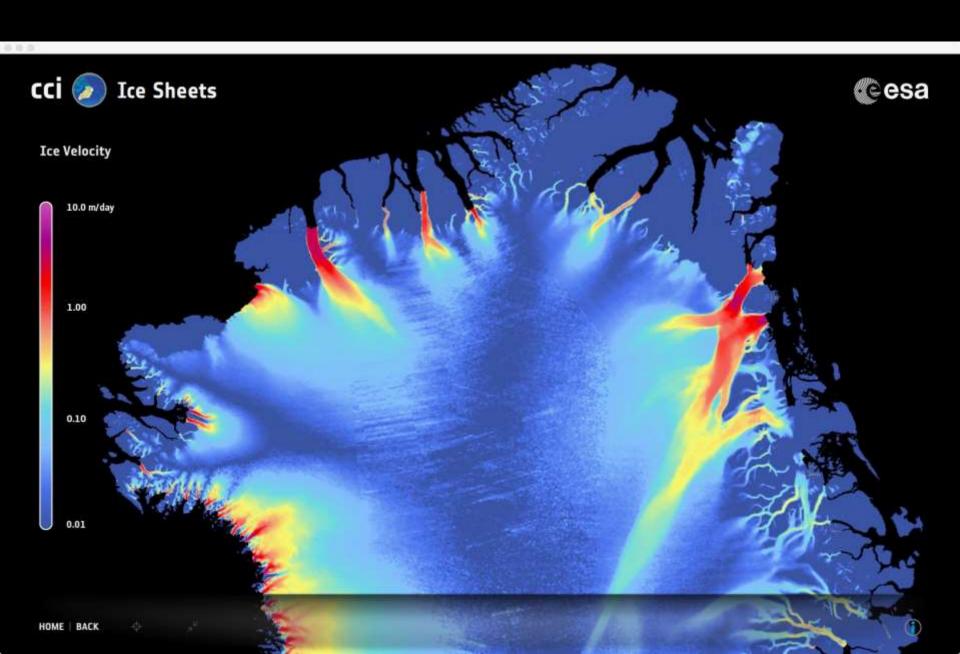


cci 🧽 Sea Surface Temperature



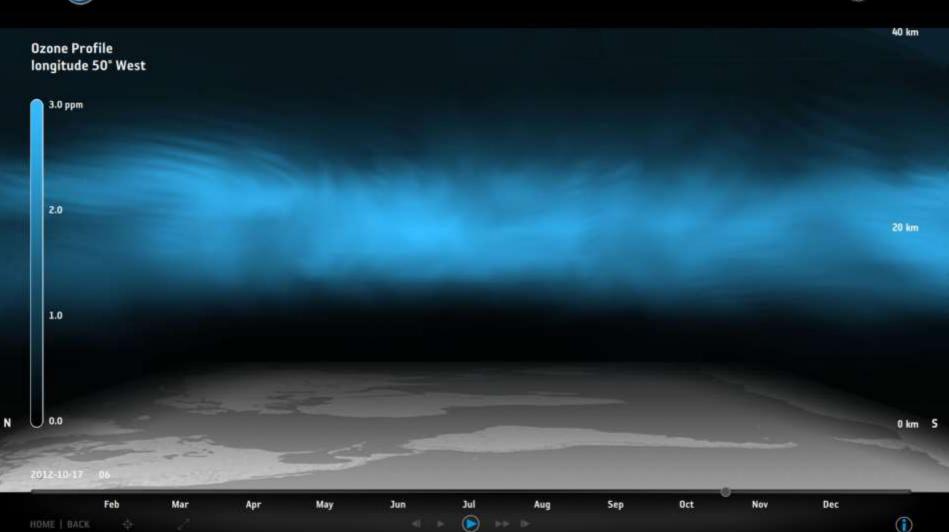






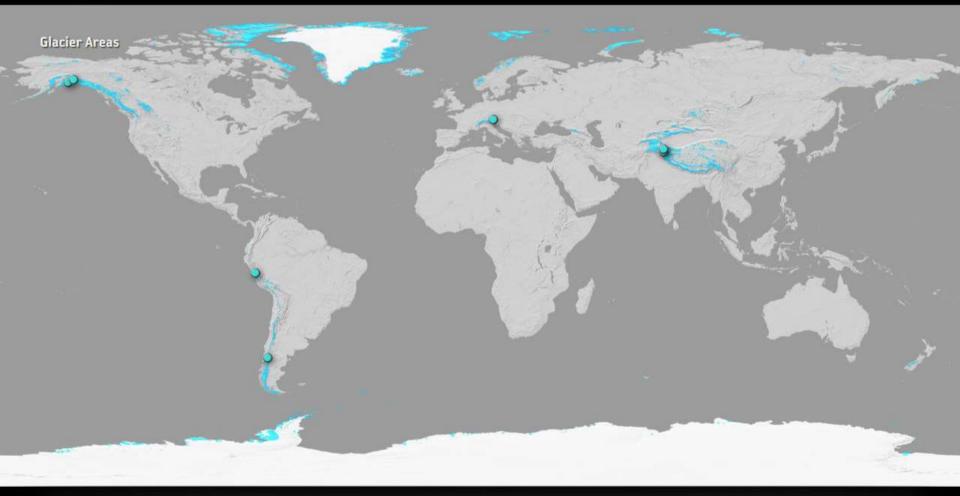








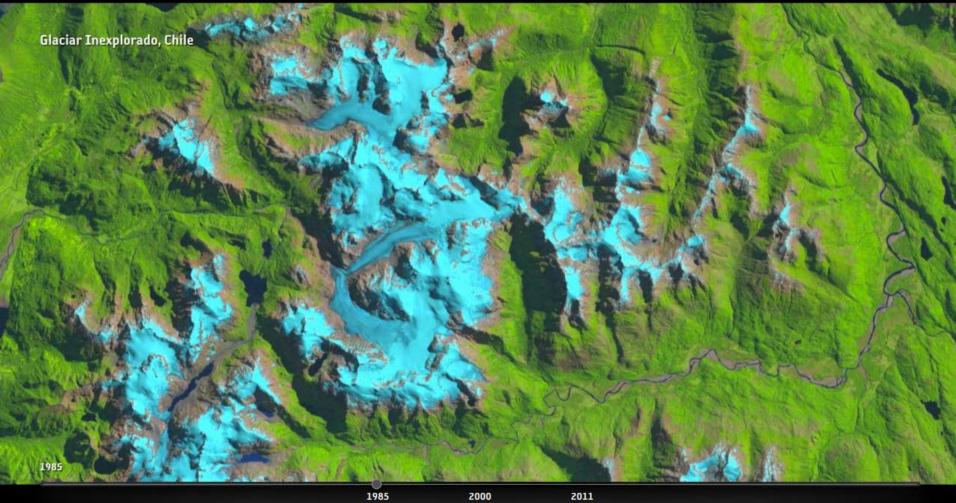
























CCI CONTRIBUTION

The CCI Sea Level project developed a new methodology to reprocess nine different satellite altimetry missions. The project produced new data sets for a Sea Level ECV that are specifically designed for climate applications. Time series of gridded Sea Level Anomalies have been calculated after merging all the altimetry mission measurements together into monthly grids with a spatial resolution of a quarter degree. The data sets have been improved on several scales:

- The Global Mean Sea Level derived from ESA missions (ERS-1, ERS-2, Envisat) has been improved; errors have been reduced and the inter-annual signal is now more consistent with other data sets.
- Regional Mean Sea Level trends have also been significantly improved, providing more detailed patterns of sea level change at a local level.

PROJECT TEAM

Collecte Localisation Satellites (CLS)

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Sea Surface Temperature



SEA SURFACE TEMPERATURE

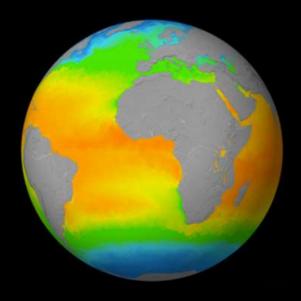
Global trends in SST are subtle (tenths of a degree Celsius per decade), but important. The greatest challenge for SST CCI is therefore to combine accurate SST data from about a dozen satellite missions spread over more than 30 years, such that the resulting climate record faithfully represents subtle changes in SST over time.

The SSTs are made by measuring the temperature-related emission of infra-red light from the ocean surface. But the atmosphere intervenes between surface and satellite, and the scientific challenge is to use sophisticated methods to account for this so that accurate SSTs are obtained.

SST sensors collect infra-red images at several wavelengths with spatial resolution of 1 km. From the cloud-free portions of these images, SSTs are derived using methods that have to cope with all the variability of the atmosphere, yet are accurate enough to support climate change research.

DATA SOURCE

Daily SST CCI L4 analysis 1991-2010 at 0.05 degrees based on merged and interpolated ATSR and AVHRR observations.

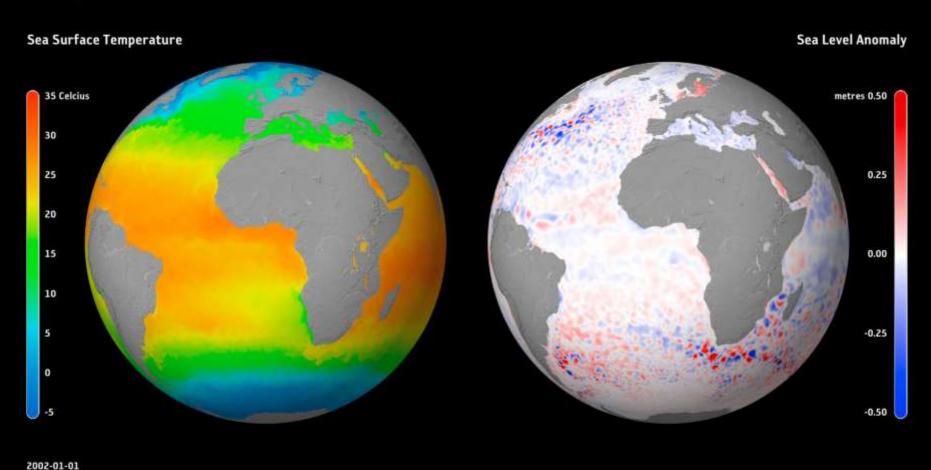




HOME BACK

Sea Surface Temperature





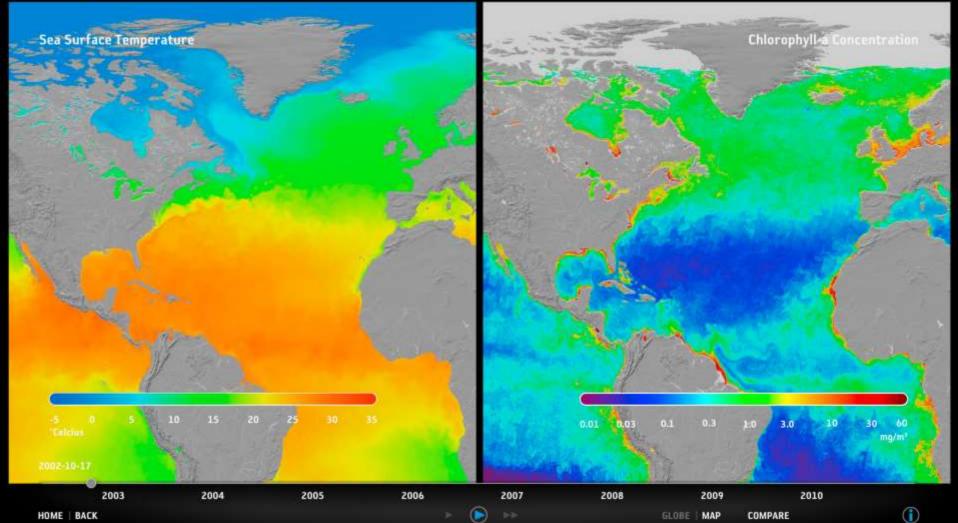
COMPARE

GLOBE | MAP



Sea Surface Temperature





Exhibition Version Comparisons

	Soil Moisture	Glaciers	Sea Level	Carbon Dioxide	Methane	Ozone	Land Cover	Ocean Colour	SST	Cloud	Aerosol	Fire	Ice Sheets	Sea Ice
Soil Moisture			•	•	•		•		•	•	•	•		
Glaciers			•				•							
Sea Level	•	•						•	•					•
Carbon Dioxide	•				•		•					•		
Methane	•			•								•		
Ozone								•			•	•		
Land Cover	•	•		•							•	•		
Ocean Colour			•			•			•		•			
SST	•		•					•		•	•			•
Cloud	•								•		•			
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Fire	•			•	•	•	•				•			
Ice Sheets														
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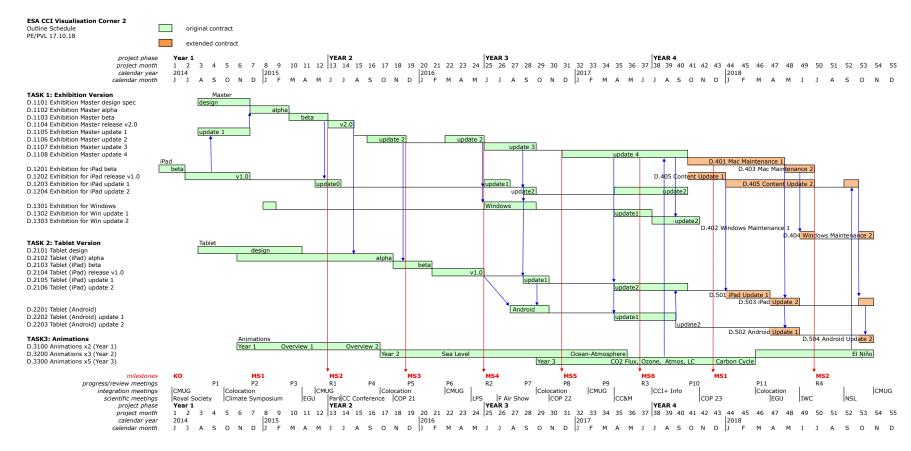
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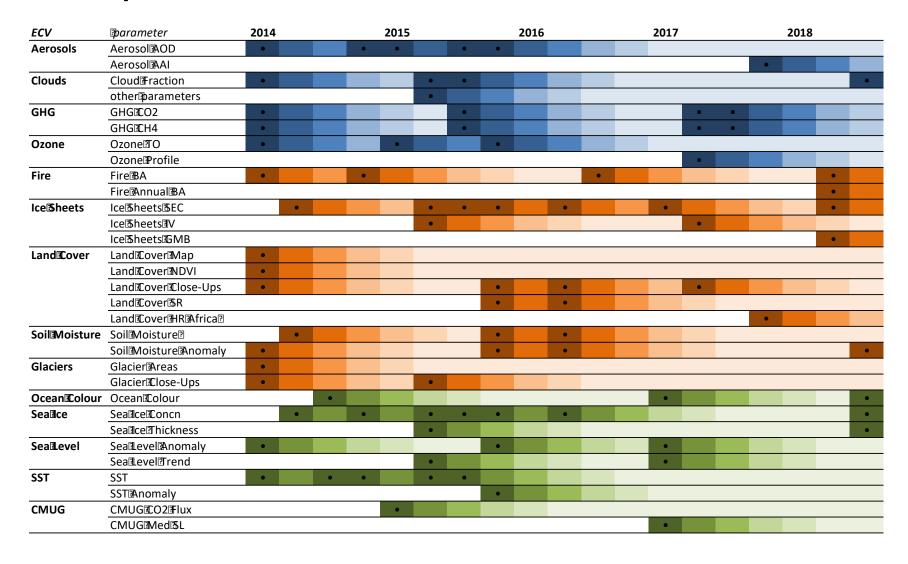


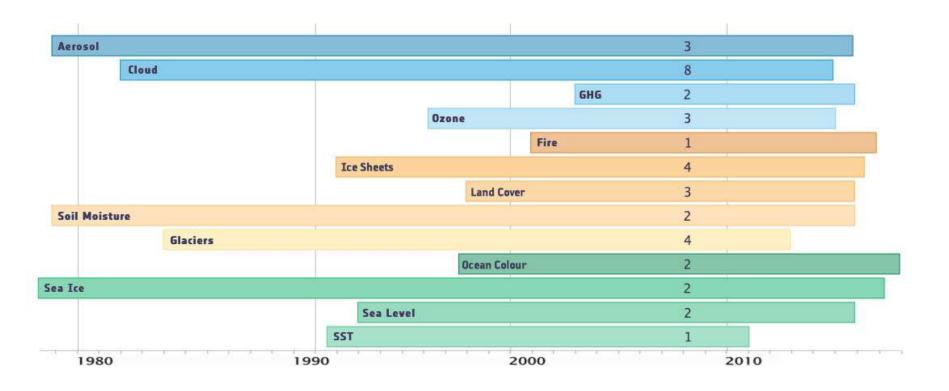
Schedule



- Year 1: Exhibition iPad version; Exhibition Master v2; Tablet Version design
- Year 2: Tablet Version software engineering
- Year 3: Software ports to Android and Windows; Animations
- Year 4: Maintenance and Update

Data Updates





CCI Visualisation Corner: over 1TB of CCI products input

version	Exhib	ition Versio	n		Tablet Versi		
platform	Desktop		iPad				
maximum map height	2520 lines	8	340 lines		840 lines		
minimum time step	1 day		8 days		16 days		
project	data volume	(MB)					
Sea Surface Temperature	5718		574		48		
Sea Ice	2183		269		117		
Ocean Colour	789		121		120		
Greenhouse Gases	37		37		37		
Sea Level	117		117		117		
CMUG	358		361		48		
Aerosols	156		156		15		
Soil Moisture	210		210		38		
Land Cover	234		235		185		
Ozone	132		132		12		
Cloud	366		366		47		
Fire	87		87		87		
Glaciers	37		37		33		
Ice Sheets	18		12		14		
Science Data	10442	MB	2714	MB	918	MB	
Video	903	MB	732	MB	653	MB	
Info, Images, Metadata	116	MB	86	MB	105	MB	
Software	50	МВ	23	MB	84	MB	
TOTAL	11,511	MB	3,555	MB	1,760	MB	

Software and Data Updates

Exhibition Version CCI Visualisation Tool

- open file system
- separate software and content
- easily and incrementally updated
- iPad version content through iTunes

Tablet Version Climate from Space

- closed file system
- software and content built into app
- update requires new app build (including app store testing)





CCI Visualisation Corner: Public Exhibitions

- CCI Press Day, Royal Society, London 13 Jun 2014
- Farnborough International Air Show 14-20 Jul 2014
- The Climate Symposium, Darmstadt 13-17 Oct 2014
- American Geophysical Union, San Francisco 15-19 Dec 2014
- European Geosciences Union, Vienna 12-17 Apr 2015
- International Symposium on Remote Sensing of the Environment, Berlin 11-15 May 2015
- World Meteorological Organisation Congress, Geneva 25 May 11 Jun 2015
- Paris Air & Space Show 15-21 Jun 2015
- UNFC Climate Change meeting COP21, Paris 30 Nov 11 Dec 2015

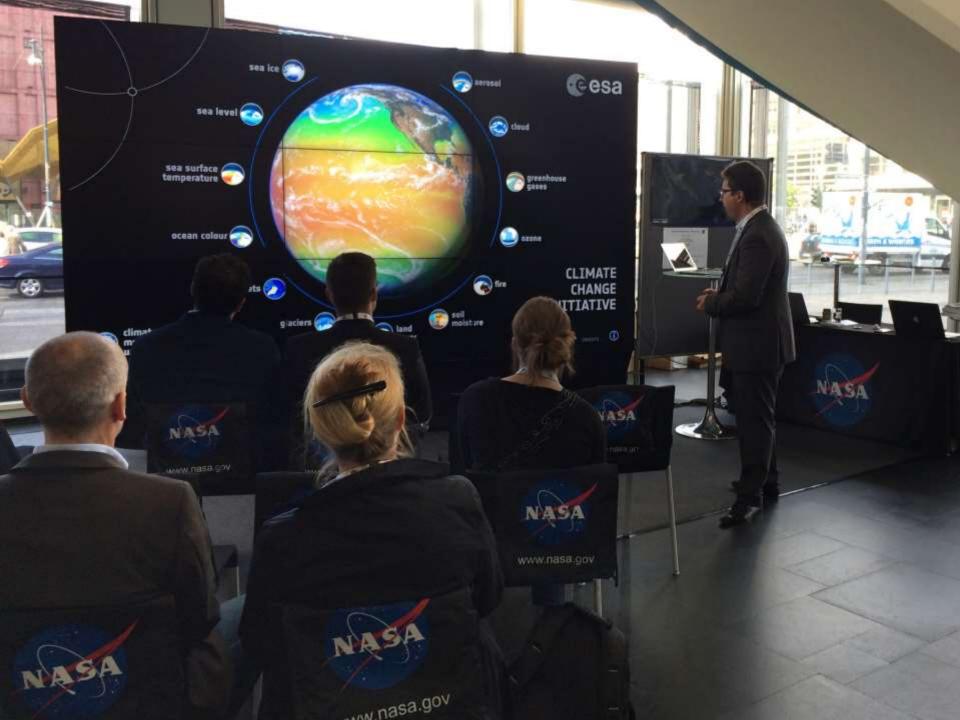














TASK 2 Tablet Version



TASK 2 Tablet Version

WP2100 Tablet Version on iPad

- wider audience interested public as well as non-expert scientists
- opportunity (and expectation?) of richer content and high visual quality
- long-form reading, more personal, more of an e-book than a ppt presentation
- data volume limit due to download time and device capacity (16-64GB)
- deployable widely as a published app through iTunes Store

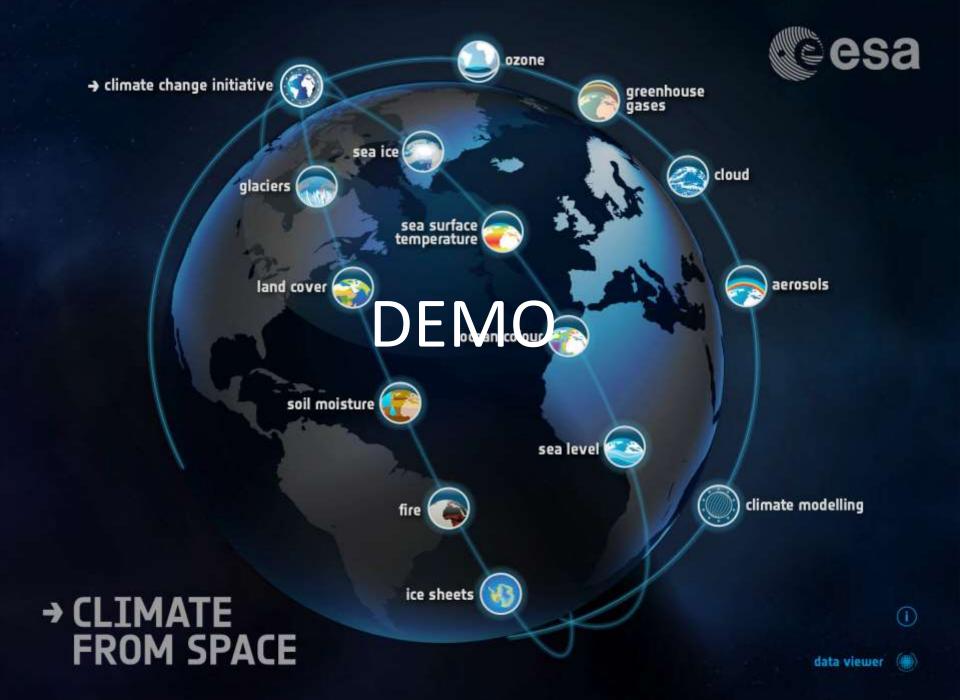
WP2200 Tablet Version on Android

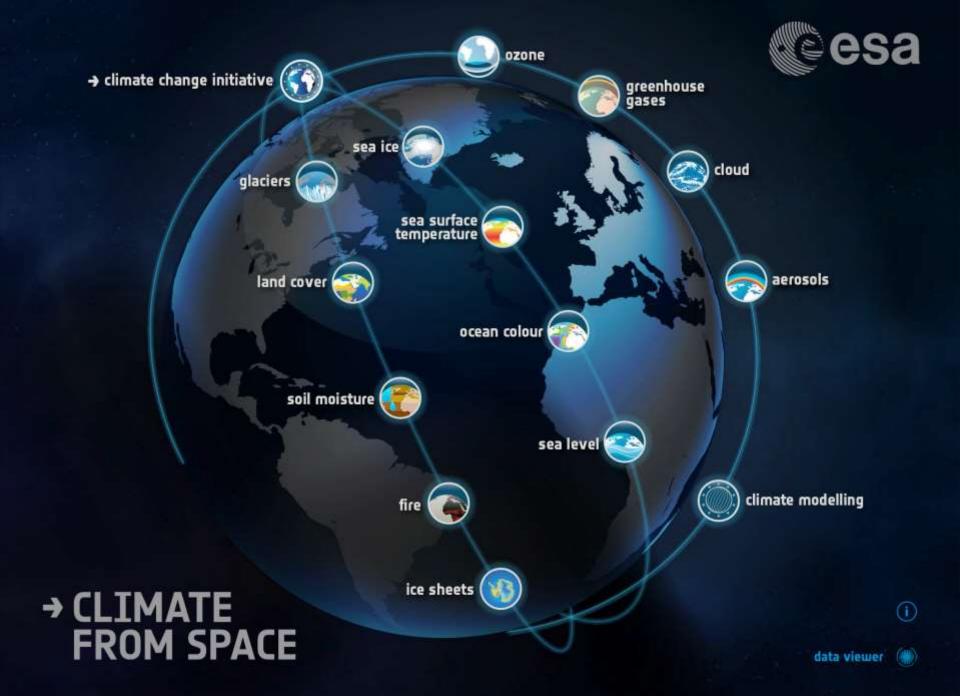
- WP2200 Tablet Version on Android
- based on iPad version
- greater hardware diversity, so target a particular hardware spec

















climate change initiative



glaciers



land cover



soil moisture



fire



ice sheets



sea ice



sea surface temperature



ocean colour



sea level



ozone



greenhouse gases



cloud



aerosols



climate modelling the Alps, and the glaciers draping the peaks and gh valleys may seem as permanent as the hemselves. But sit quietly for a while beside one ons of ice and you may hear the creaks, groans hat reveal their true nature; glaciers are ows of compressed snow.

n where winter snow accumulates and survives summer melting as a form of granular ice called he weight of new snow the firn is compressed to lat moves downhill under the force of gravity s melting in the warmer air at lower altitude. In movement over thousands of years has landscape, creating a unique environment that leshes and sustains residents and visitors alike.

regions all over the world, glacier meltwater atural resource that nearby communities have for centuries. In the densely-populated Alps, as a natural water tower, providing a source of or industrial and agricultural use, as well as for lydro-electricity. The glacial landscape itself is a supporting a thriving tourist industry the year.





Sea Surface Temperature

Planetary Heat Store

Go for a swim in the sea on midsummers day and the water may be surprisingly chilly. Although the sun is at its highest point in the sky and there are more hours of sunlight than on any other day of the year, the sea does not reach its maximum temperature until three months later, in the autumn. This lag shows that the sea has a high heat capacity — it takes a lot of energy to change its temperature, so it is slow to heat up and slow to cool down.

This makes the sea incredibly good at storing heat. So good, in fact, that just the top three metres of the ocean's water contain as much heat as the entire atmosphere. The ocean's capacity to accumulate, transport and slowly release the energy it receives from the Sun is one of the central mechanisms that regulate weather and climate on our planet.

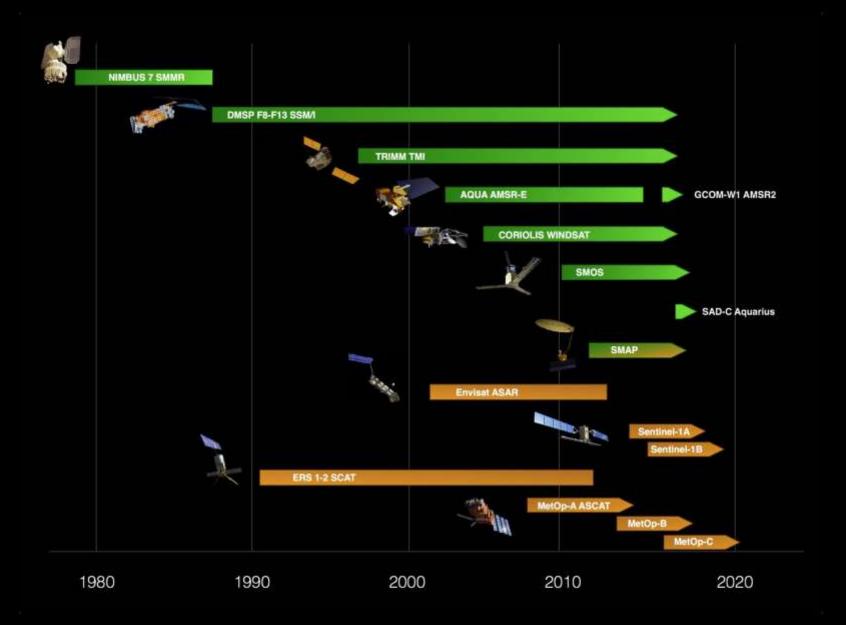
The Equator receives much more energy from the Sun than the polar regions. This energy is then redistributed around the world by circulation patterns in the oceans and atmosphere. Ocean currents are driven by the rotation of the Earth, surface winds and differences in water density due to salinity and temperature variation. Warm currents such as the Gulf Stream bring heat from the Equator and the tropics to higher latitudes. This poleward transport of heat is

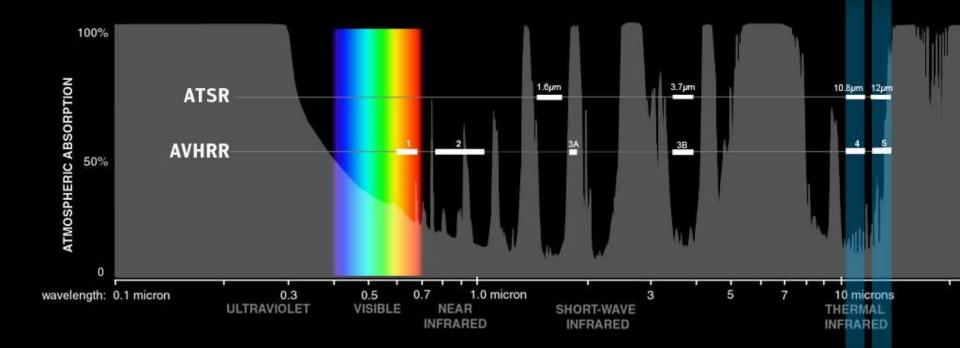
















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Belgian Institute for Space Aeronomie (BIRA)

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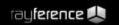




















initiative



glaciers



land cover



soil moisture





ice sheets



sea ice



sea surface temperature



ocean colour



sea level



ozone



greenhouse gases



cloud



aerosols



climate modelling

climate change anual variability. An additional by-product is a of inland water bodies based on a combination of m different missions including Envisat ASAR

> om the recently-launched Sentinel-2 and 3 ndsat 8, and the vegetation monitoring mission ws the CCI Land Cover team to produce more d cover mapping. Sentinel-2's increased temporal coupled with high spatial resolution is enabling build a 10-20 m resolution land cover map over t of the next stage of the programme.

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Scientist, CCI Land Q



TASK 2 Tablet Version



Climate from Space

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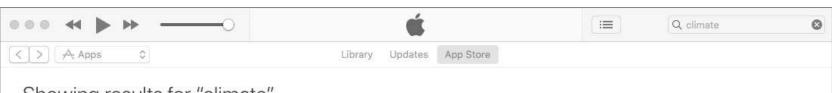
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- Interactive, animated globes with 17 key climate data sets
- Scroll through time to see thirty years of change
- 130 illustrations, including satellite images, diagrams and animations
- 14 interviews with project scientists
- Over 16,000 words of text
- 74 pages

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App Store Preview

This app is only available on the App Store for iOS devices.



Climate from Space 4

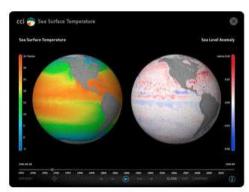
ESA - European Space Agency

Free

iPad Screenshots







Description

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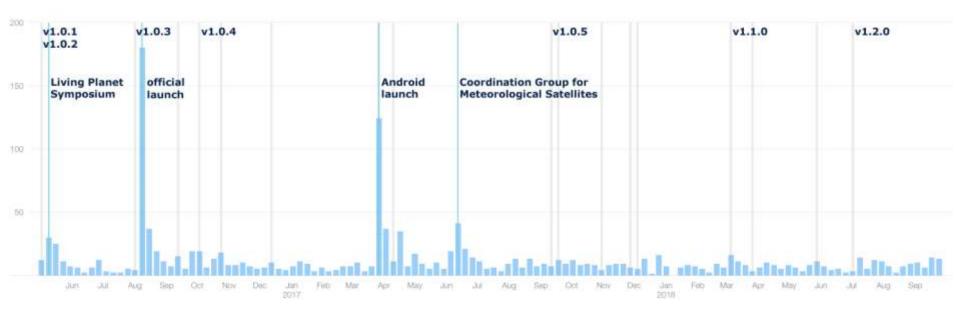
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TASK 2 Tablet Version



- iPad downloads since launch: 5,897
- impressions conversion: 5.7%
- product page views conversion: 57%; 68% unique devices; 70% weekly averaged (cf education category average page conversion: 6.75%)
- sessions/unit: 0.95 (weekly)
- crashes: 0
- downloads to 20 of ESA's 22 member states (and to Canada)
- currently about 10 downloads a week

TASK 2 Tablet Version



Climate from Space on iPad Pro and Samsung Galaxy Tab S2

TASK 3 Animations



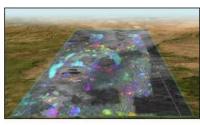
WP3000 Animations

- wider reach through web and television
- custom 3D graphics, linear not interactive
- opportunity to show related and complementary ECVs together
- tell stories about the data
- explain what the data reveals
- relate the data to the viewer's daily life
- 10 x animations, up to 2 min duration

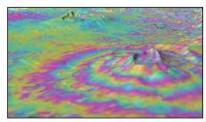
TASK 3 Animations

Production procedure established for ESA STSE Visuals project:

- Briefing with science team
- Preliminary Analysis editorial and data requirements
- Storyboard visual treatment
- Data look and feel colours, supporting data
- Animation rushes key frames, motion
- Titles, captions, transitions style, timing
- Final version encoded at HD, SD, web size



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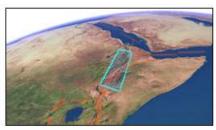
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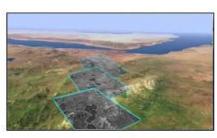
1. Open on an overview of the East African Rift Valley from orbit, using natural colour satellite imagery.



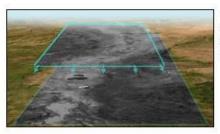
2. Overlay major fault lines to show location of Rift Valley. Perhaps also show earthquake locations?



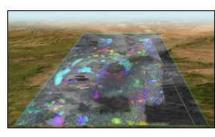
3. Descend towards Rift Valley as ASAR image swaths are overlaid on the surface. (SRTM30 terrain model, MODIS 500m imagery)



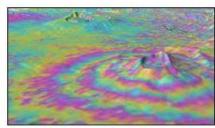
4. Descend to Northern Kenya, as additional ASAR images are overlaid.



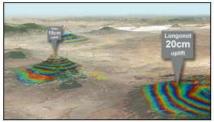
5. Approach ASAR image covering Longonot National Park area. Overlay ASAR image from second date. (SRTM3 terrain, ASAR imagery, perhaps Landsat imagery)



6. Fade up interferogram in area of image overlap.



7. Move in to view detailed topography and interference fringes at Longonot site. Perhaps use displacement map to show measured uplift of surface.



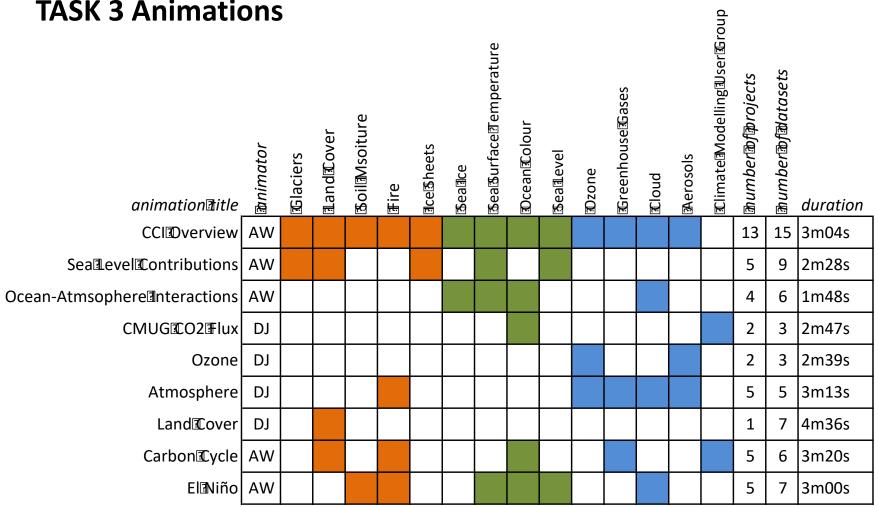
- 8. Fly north past other sites with measured surface displacement. Labels show measured uplift or subsidence at selected sites;
- Langenet
- Suswa
- Menengai
- Paka.
- Corbeti
- Alutu

TASK 3 Animations

30 minutes of 3D computer graphics, broadcast-quality HD1080, covering all projects

- 1) **CCI Overview** all projects
- 2) Seal Level Rise Contributions ice sheets, glaciers, sst, sea level, land cover
- 3) Ocean-Atmosphere Interactions sst, ocean colour, cloud, sea ice
- 4) Carbon Dioxide Ocean flux ocean colour, cmug
- 5) Ozone ozone, aerosol
- 6) Atmospheric ECVs fire, aerosol, cloud, ghg, ozone
- 7) Land Cover Mapping land cover
- 8) Carbon Cycle land cover, fire, ghg, cmug
- 9) El Niño sst, ocean colour, cloud, fire, soil moisture

TASK 3 Animations



CCI+ Knowledge Exchange

- Android version on Google Play Store (currently on Amazon)
- Climate from Space on desktop (MacOS development version)
- Data Viewer on iPhone
- Include nine new ECVs
- Climate from Space on web
- Earth System Story animations
- Education: classroom resources
- Abstract in to LPS2019, Milan



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