Main performances, data policy & licensing, mission management aspects

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Mission Overview

PRISMA: PRecursore IperSpettrale della Missione Applicativa

- National EO hyperspectral Mission fully funded by ASI and realized by Italian Industries Consortium led by OHB Italia, Leonardo and Telespazio
- Mission conceived as a Pre-operational and technology demonstrator, with focus on
  - Space qualification of PAN/HYP payload
  - Development of PAN/HYP products up to Level 2D
- Launch on March 2019, access to Users opened on May 2020 [https://prisma.asi.it/](https://prisma.asi.it/)

- PRISMA Records (pushbroom scanning mode) the radiation reflected from the Earth surface (spectral cubes) in 400nm – 2505nm spectral window
  - 240 total bands in VNIR (#66,) & SWIR (#174, 920–2505 nm), partial spectral overlap
  - High spectral Resolution (better of 14 nm)
  - Medium spatial resolution (30m) and swath (30km)
  - PAN camera (400–700 nm) offers added capability with 5m spatial resolution

- Primary mode – Manage user requests
  - CALVAL sites (high priority)
  - Nominal requests from all registered users, subject to quota and a priority level (depends by the user type)
  - Mission Manager can promote Nominal Requests already accepted to Very Urgent, for insertion in next day plan

- Background mission to fill-up resources still available after planning the users requests
All Product are in **HD5-EOS** format and include HYP data cube + PAN image + masks + metadata

- **Level 1**: Top-of-Atmosphere Radiance radiometrically corrected and calibrated in physical units (incl. Cloud mask; Sun-glint Mask; Classification Mask; Calibration and characterization data)
- **Level 2B**: Geolocated at Bottom-of-Atmosphere Radiance
- **Level 2C**: Geolocated at Bottom-of-Atmosphere Reflectance (incl. Aerosol Characterization Product (VNIR); Water Vapour Map Product (HYP); Cloud Characterization)
- **Level 2D**: Geocoded version of the level 2C products

Absolute HYP **radiometric accuracy** better than 5% (TOA or BOA)

**SNR** 160:1 in VNIR and 100:1 in SWIR (240:1 in PAN)

**MTF** (@Nyquist) 0.3 for HYP and 0.2 for PAN

**Geometric localization errors** (CE90) better than 200m (15m with GCPs)

**Revisit time** is **29 days** at same look angle (orbital cycle) but **<7days** with variable looking

**Average response time** (from user order to product ready) is **7.5 days** (measured)

Images can be acquired **worldwide** with illumination conditions **Solar Zenith Angle < 70 deg**

**System can acquire** **223 spot (30x30 Km) images/day** (200.000 Km²) and **process 200 images/day up to L2D**
A simple policy has been approved by ASI: Free of charge & quasi-Open data to all for the 2020 year duration (renewable)

This will allow
- to lower the PRISMA data access barriers (to new acquisitions and archived data too)
- to expand the PRISMA user community
- to simplify the data exploitation
- to build customer loyalty to PRISMA data
- to gather a feedback from users, unbiased by external factors like user nationality, data price, etc

A «quasi-Open» policy
- Full support to National security needs
- User Registration and Licence explicit acceptance is required
- Each User will be allowed to use only a portion of the system resources, through Priority and Quota mechanisms
- Products use is allowed for scientific research, R&D of new applications, prototype services but NOT for commercial purposes (will change by 2021)
- Products are costless for the users but cannot be redistributed

Exploitation with Science and User Community deep involvement
- PRISMA Advisory Group for data Exploitation supporting the definition/updating of the mission exploitation scenario
- International Collaborations: CNES, DLR, ESA, NASA-JPL mainly on CALVAL domain
- Training & Outreach (Workshops, Education events,...)

System improvement project foreseen in 2022
ASI is fully open to define agreements with international bodies, in order to develop joint research projects, use the PRISMA system capacity, collaborate on CALVAL of the PRISMA sensor + products and in general exploit potential synergies between respective EO assets.

We have agreements with:

- **CNES (signed)**
  - Exchange of technical and scientific data over calibration sites managed by CNES and over CEOS-PICS (Pseudo Invariant Calibration Sites)
  - Support to CALVAL activities

- **DLR (close to signature)**
  - Support to CAL/VAL by sharing test sites data, strategies, methodologies, results
  - Visibility about activities and results (thematic EO applications, L3/L4 product developments, etc)
  - Mission exploitation platforms/Toolboxes
  - Coordination of data acquisitions in support of joint scientific objectives

- **ESA**: Support to CHIME (2020 and 2021 PRISMA4CHIME project), study of a HYP+HR/VHR CALVAL site, participation to joint scientific events

- Contacts for cooperation agreements with NASA/JPL, NOAA, ASA, NZSA, ....
**PRISMA scientific program, co-funded by ASI**

- Budget ~3 M€ with max co-fund 200k€/proposal
- 41 proposal received, 15 will be (co-) funded, 23 are eligible
- Largest participation came from universities with algorithmic studies
- 5 themes accounts for 60% of study areas
965 Licenses to Use activated @ 31.08.2021

Limiting to the (statistically) most representative part of the user population:

- 16 nations covers 80% of the users
- the Italian users are only 1/3
- India, USA and Germany together account the 1/4 of the users
• **62%** of the total users are scientists (50% of the users belong to non-Italian Science and are the largest category).

• Institutional (9%) and commercial (12%) represents **21%** of total users.

• Foreign commercial (8%) are two times the Italian commercial (4%).

• **6%** of user are still freelance!
26 thematic areas cover **70%** of all applicative usages

Mission Statistics – Use of data
110k images (including those from the background mission) all over the world @31.08.2021; a new approach to background planning is going to be used to improve global land coverage.
Some Images

PRISMA main CalVal – Gobabeb (Namibia)

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PRISMA CalVal – LaCrau (France)

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PRISMA CalVal – Railroad Valley (Arizona)
PRISMA CalVal – 4 PICs taken from the more stable 8: Algeria3, Algeria4, Egypt, Libya1, Libya2, Libya3, Libya4, Sudan
Some Images

ETNA volcano, Sicily (Italy)
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