

# Earth Observation Maritime Surveillance System

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  - Maritime Security Lab Neustrelitz
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## Earth Observation Maritime Surveillance System

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# Earth Observation Center – EOC



Bremen  
Maritime Security Lab



Berlin  




- **German Remote Sensing Data Center**
- Remote Sensing Technology Institute
- Chairs at 2 university
- Appr. 350 employees at 4 sites



Neustrelitz  
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# Objectives and Applications

- **Algorithm** development to derive value added information out of remote sensing data (SAR, Optic) for the **Maritime Domain**
  - in cooperation with Maritime Security Lab Bremen
- **Application** development to derive value added information products by using **different data sources**, mainly remote sensing and AIS to provide maritime information products for **Maritime Situational Awareness**

MARITIME SAFETY AND SECURITY



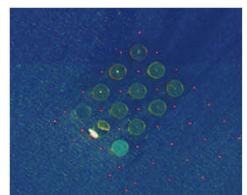
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MARINE ENVIRONMENT / POLLUTION MONITORING



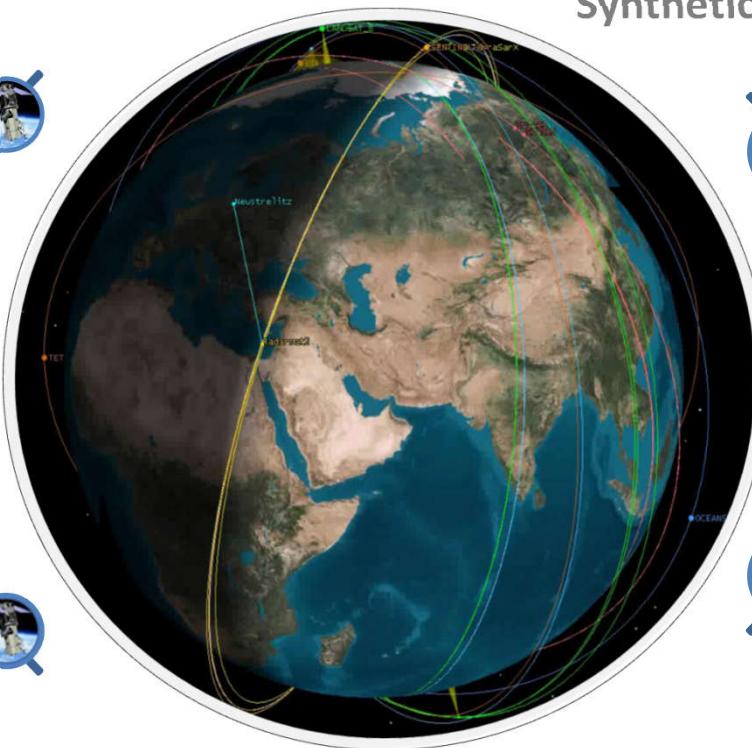
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## Sensors and Modes

### Optical

- Worldview-1
- Worldview-2
- Worldview-3
- GeoEye-1
- Deimos-2
- Landsat-8
- Worldview-4



### Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR)

- Sentinel-1A
- Sentinel-1B
- TerraSAR-X
- TanDEM-X
- Radarsat-2

### Automatic Identification System

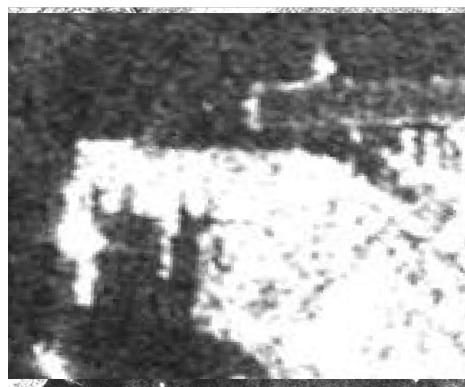
Terrestrial AIS



Satellite AIS



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□ SAR: Sentinel-1B



□ MR Optical: Landsat-8

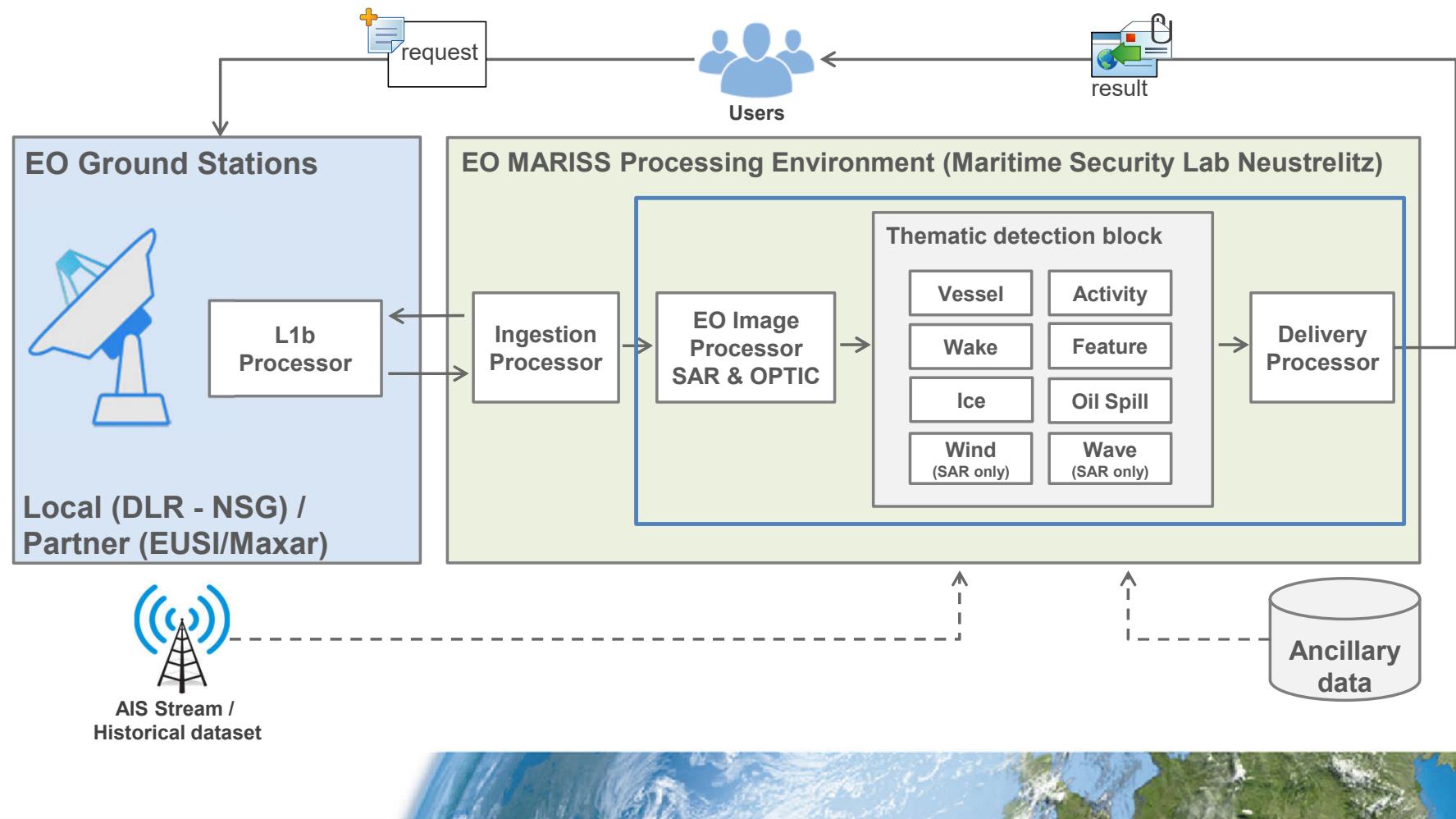


□ VHR Optical: Worldview-3

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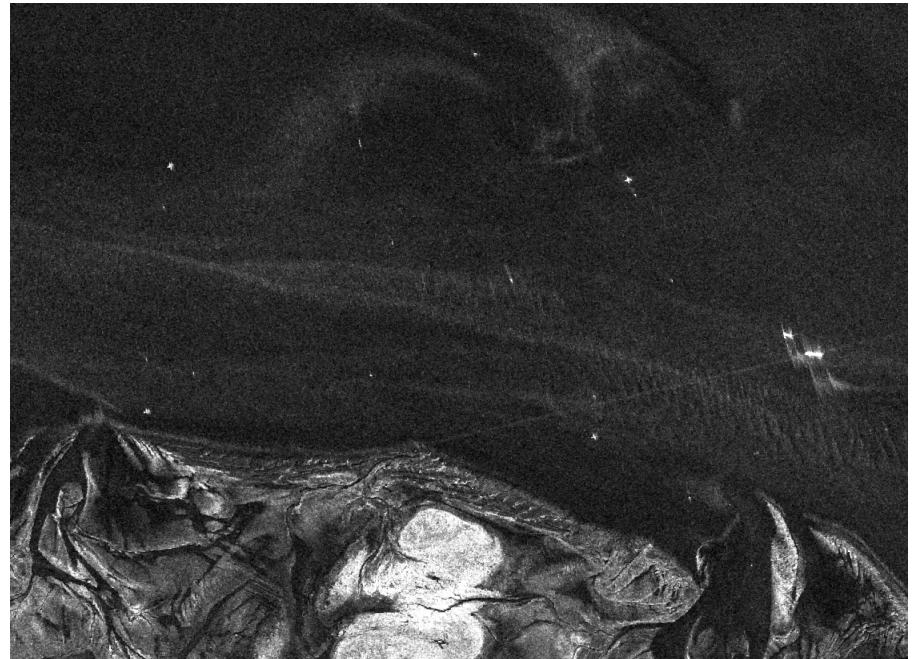
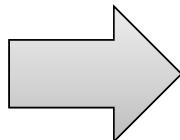
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## EO Image Processor | SAR



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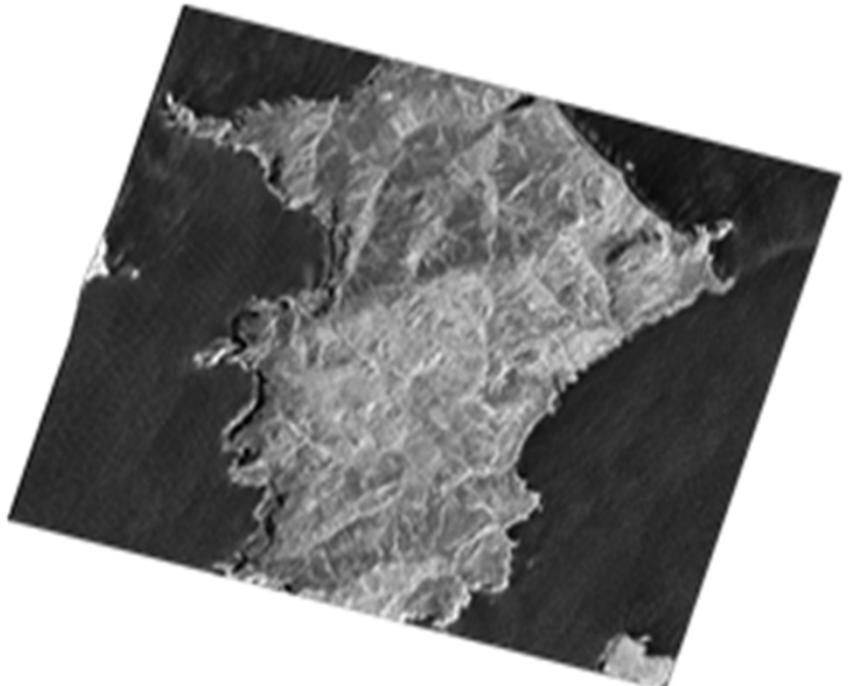
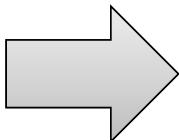
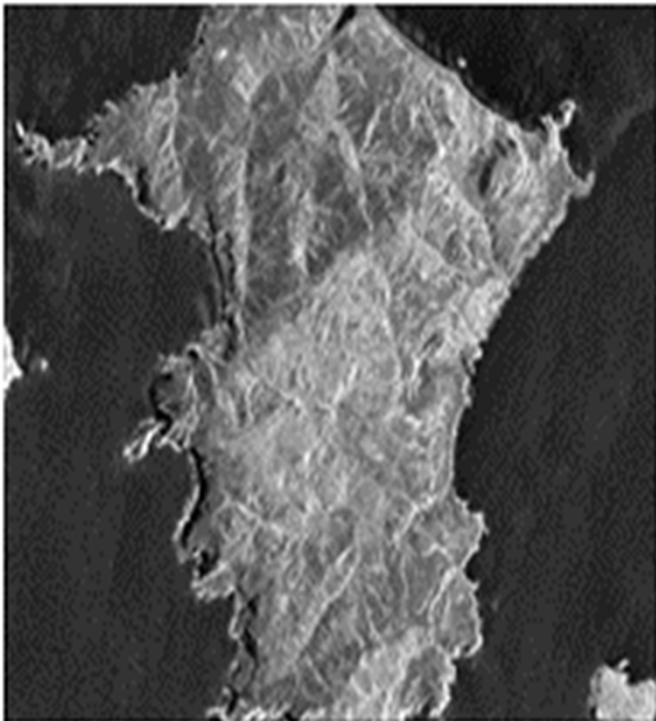
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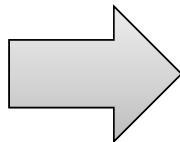
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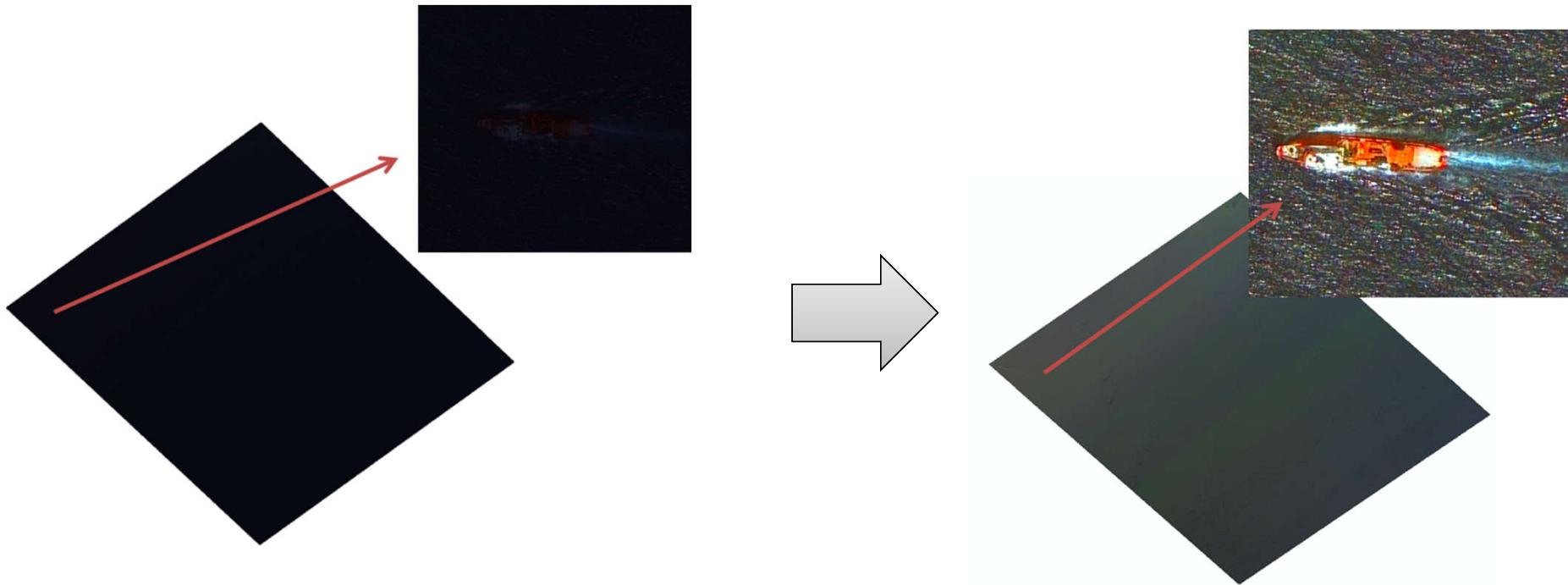
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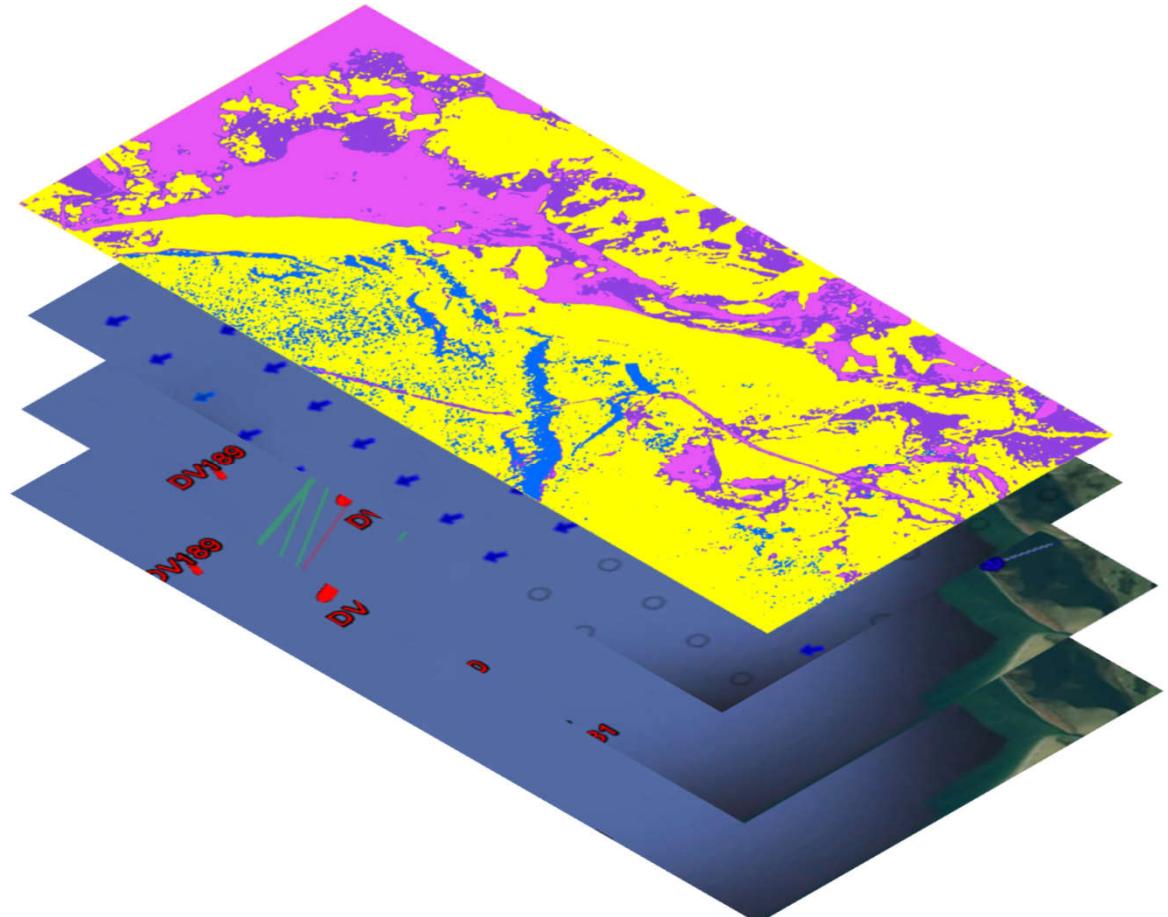
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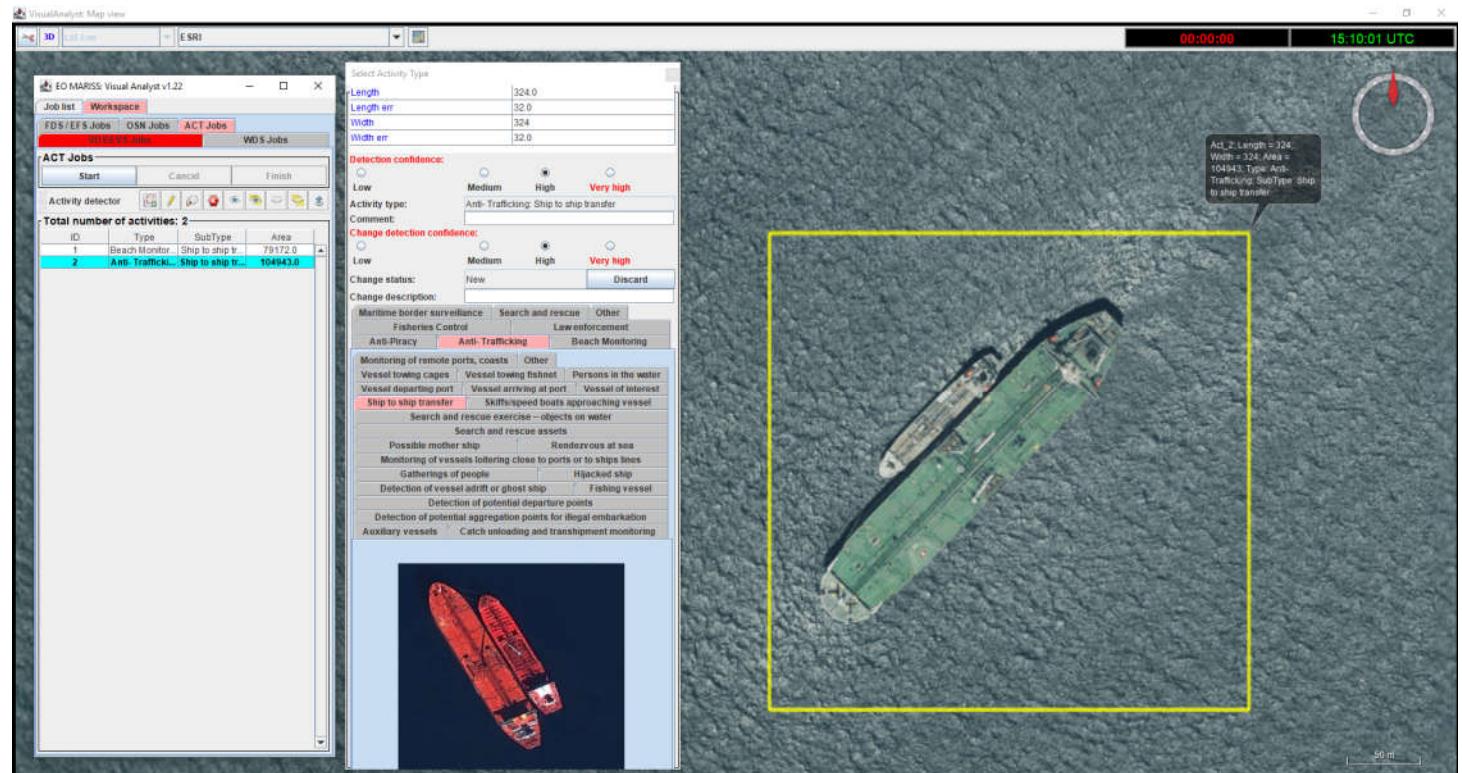
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- **Automated processing**
  - Target detection
  - Data fusion
  - Wind
  - Wave
- **Semi automated algorithms**
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  - Activity detection
  - Change detection
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- **Operator Interface**
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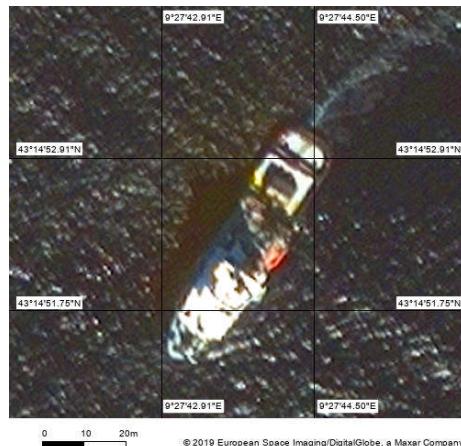


EO MARISS Visual Analyst: interactive activity detection

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# Product Dissemination

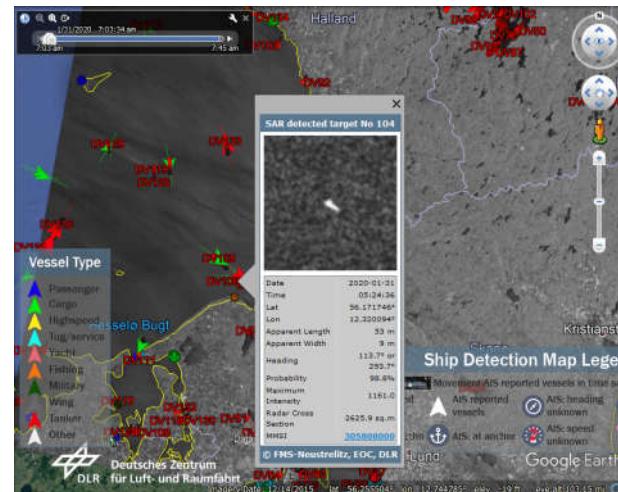
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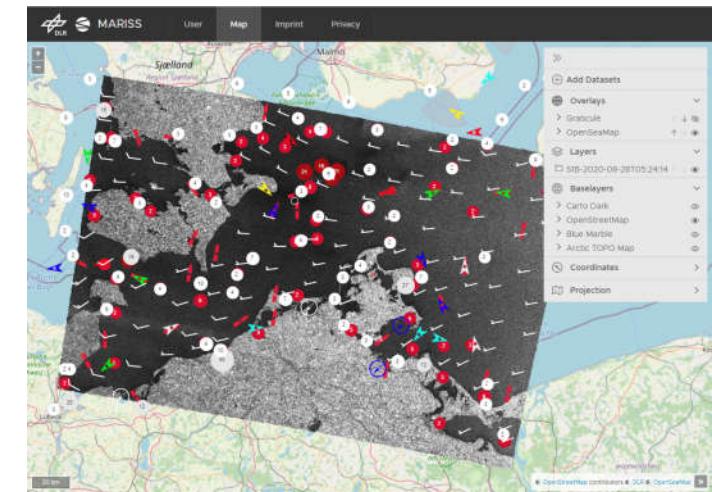
- OGC-standardized
- Custom formats

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- Small file size
- Low image resolution

## Web-based



- OGC-interfaces (WMS/WFS)
- Web-mapping client



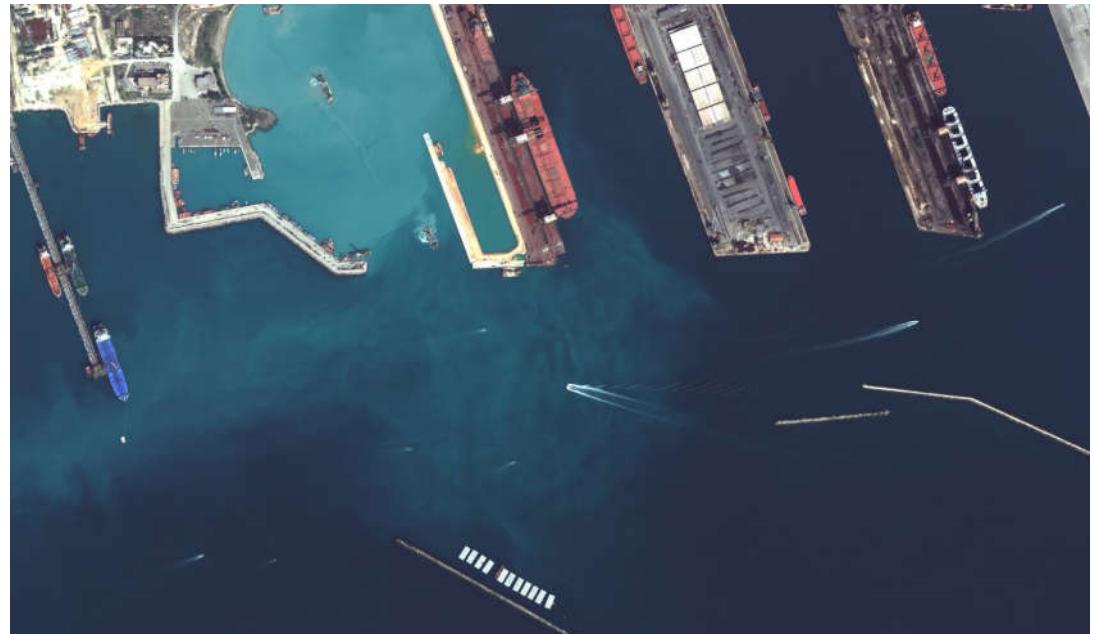
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### Optical Satellite Services for EMSA (OpSSERVE)

partner: EUSI (contractor) and DLR (subcontractor)



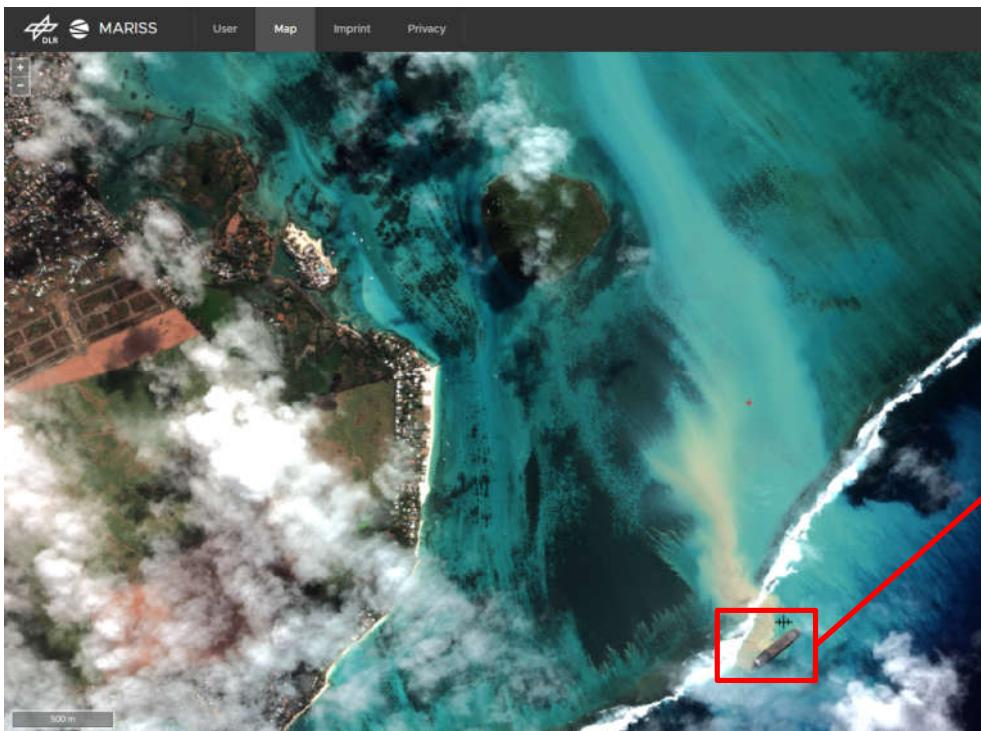
- Provision of **optical satellite imagery (< 1m)** and derived information at sea and coast :
  - **Vessels and wakes,**
  - **Oil Spills**
  - **Activities**
- Direct electronic delivery of information to EMSA Earth Observation Data Centre (EO-DC) in four temporal response categories:
  - **NRT 1 (< 1 hour)**
  - **NRT 3 (< 3 hours)**
  - **NRT 6 (< 6 hours)**
  - **Non-NRT (24 hours)**
- Focus on European seas, as well as neighbouring and world wide waters



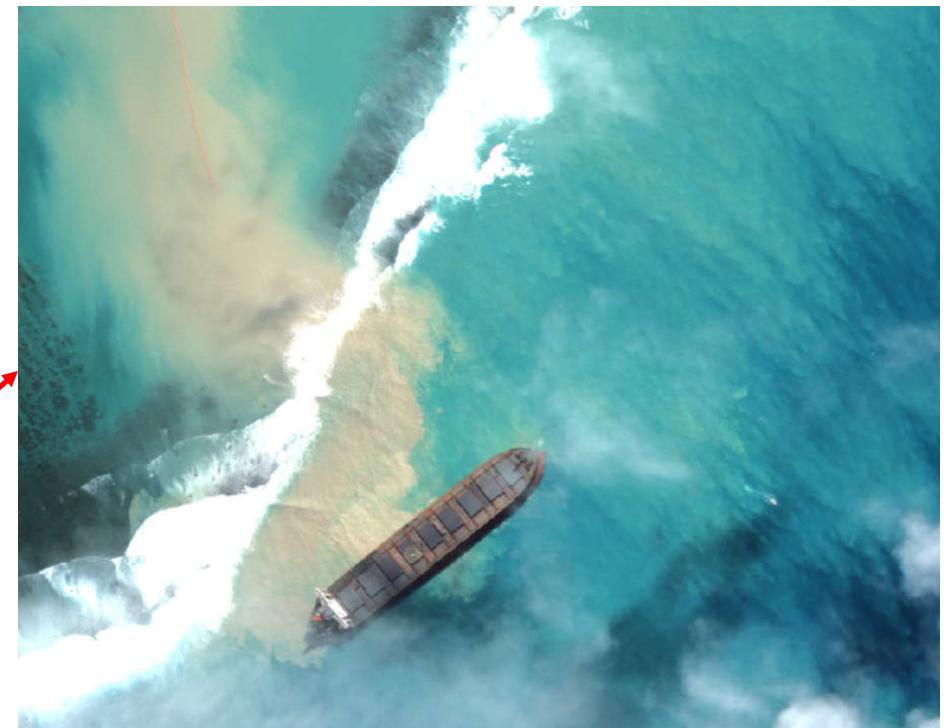
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## Case: Mauritius oil spill 07-09.2020

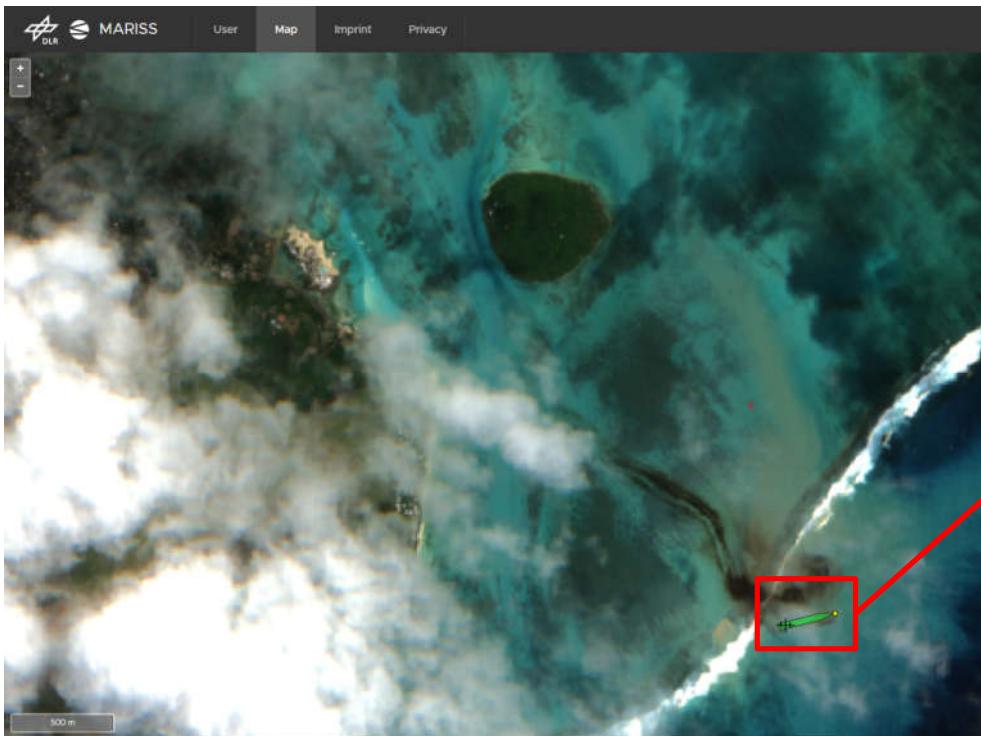


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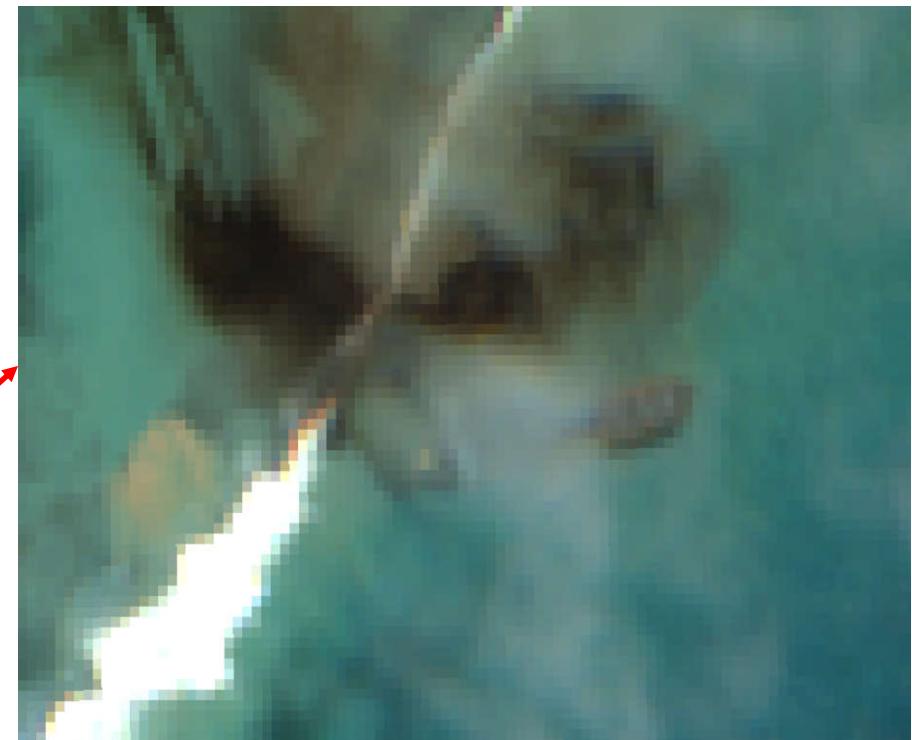


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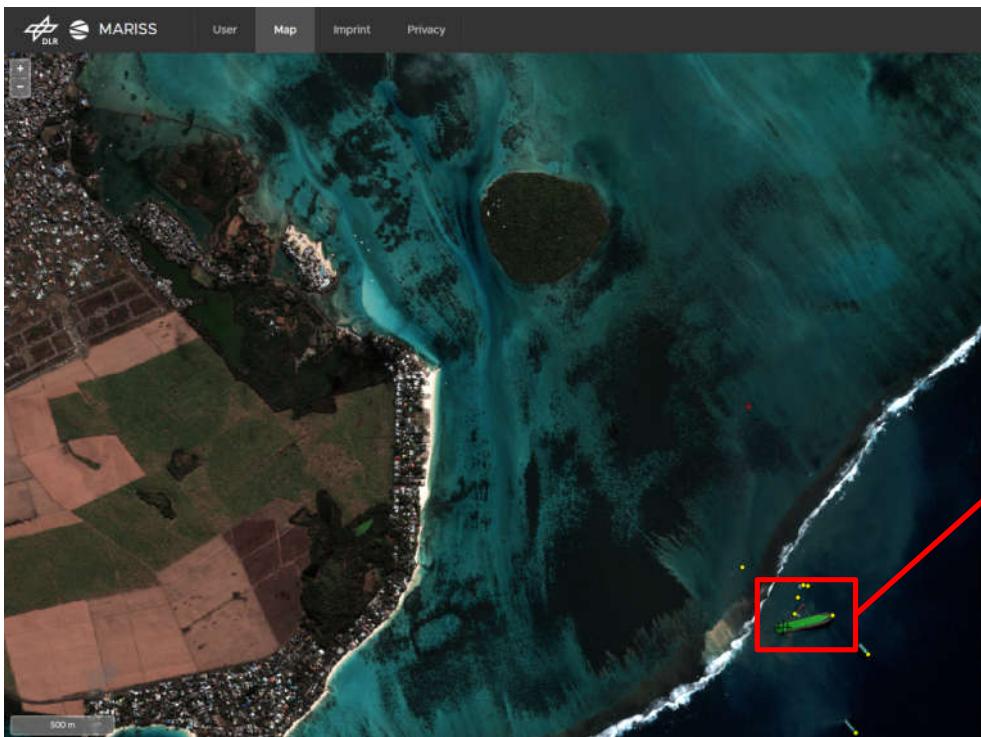


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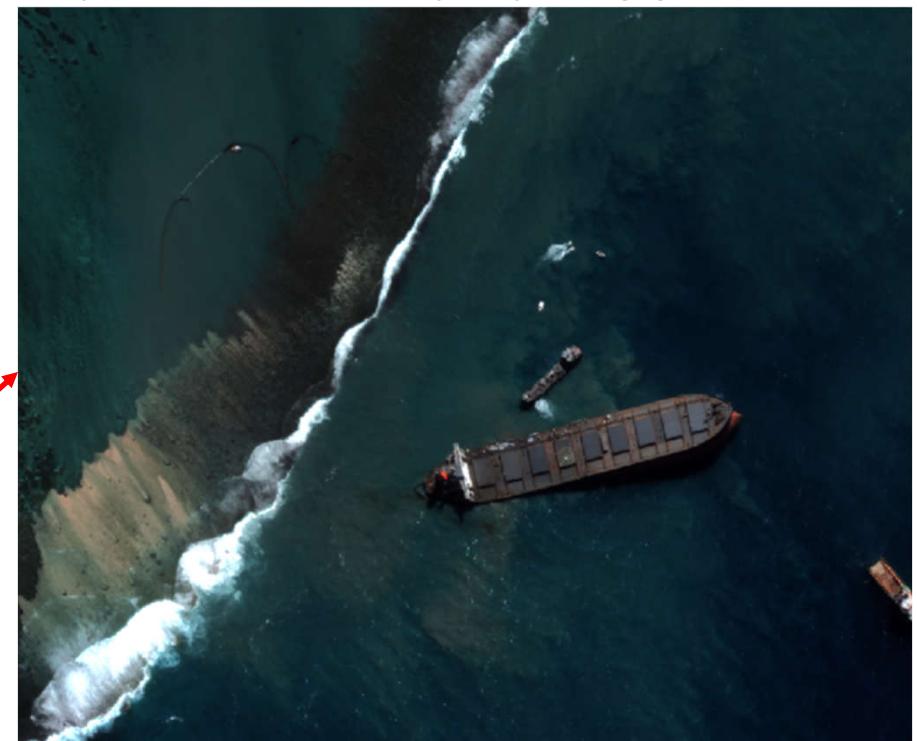


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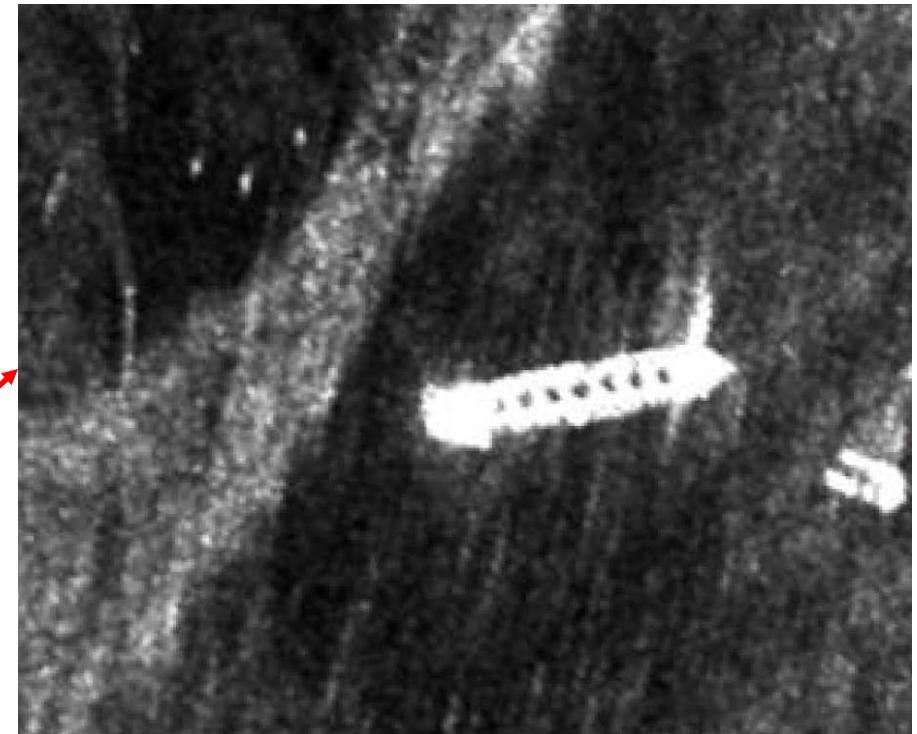
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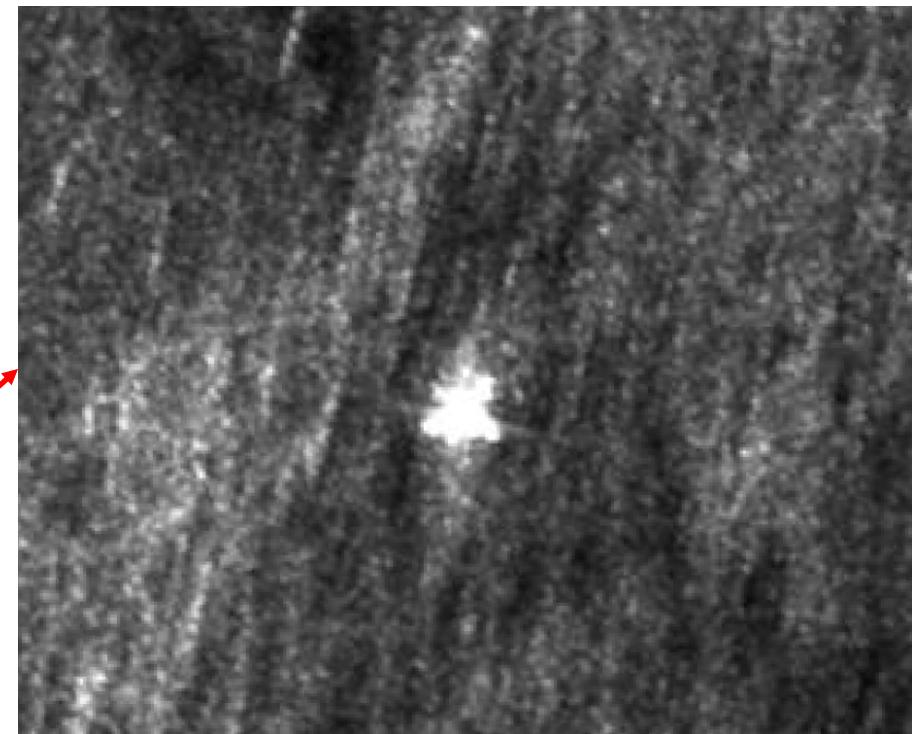
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## Summary

- **Remote sensing images are well-established in use to support maritime surveillance.**
  - Near real time capabilities are amongst others the main requirements for such services.
  - NRT requires automated fast processing of **large volumes of data** and **information extraction** within 20 to 55 minutes of image acquisition.
- Main tasks and capabilities of **EO MARISS**
  - Distributed processing to handle multiply request at the same time (P-Nodes based on CPU and GPU)
  - Advanced development of data mining techniques (deep learning)
  - High degree of automation and state of the art performance
  - Variety of data access options for the end-users



Our open-source project:



<https://github.com/dlr-eoc/ukis-frontend-libraries>

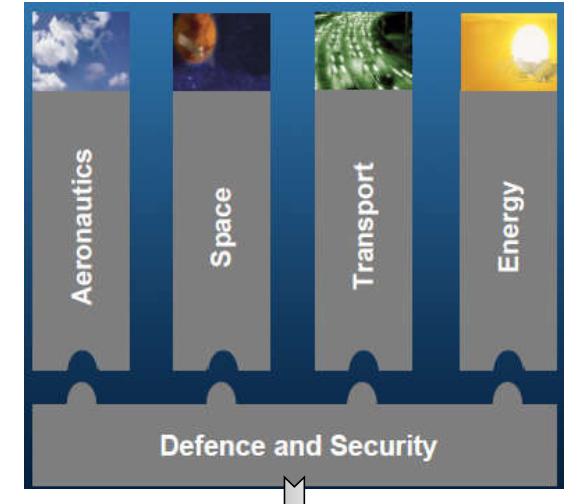
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- Space Agency
- Project Management Agency
- ~ 9.000 Employees
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- 3 Field stations in O'Higgins (AQ), Inuvik (CA) & Almería (ES)



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