

Mission Status Report 252

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Mission status

- The Copernicus Sentinel-1A and Sentinel-1B routine operations are on-going
- The Copernicus Sentinel-1 observation scenario supports the systematic coverage of Copernicus Services areas of interest, of European land and coastal waters, of global tectonic/volcanic areas, as well as of other areas worldwide for various applications. The observation plan also includes a regular mapping of all land areas worldwide.
- World maps providing a high level description of the Sentinel-1 constellation observation scenario, in terms of SAR modes, polarisation, observation geometry, revisit and coverage frequency are available at: <https://sentinels.copernicus.eu/web/sentinel/missions/sentinel-1/observation-scenario>
- The detailed observation plan in the form of instrument acquisition segments, for both Sentinel-1A and Sentinel-1B is published at: <https://sentinels.copernicus.eu/web/sentinel/missions/sentinel-1/observation-scenario/acquisition-segments>
- The operational use of Sentinel-1 data by the Copernicus Marine Environment Monitoring Service (CMEMS) for sea-ice, iceberg and swell monitoring activities is on-going
- The European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA) operationally uses Sentinel-1 imagery in quasi-real time in the CleanSeaNet services; operations with EMSA service providers local stations are on-going.
- **Specific observations were planned in response to the activation EMSR354 on 26th April 2019 from the Copernicus Emergency Management Service (CEMS) and to the call 697 from the International Charter Space and Major Disasters on 25th April 2019, both related to floods in Mozambique, due to the tropical cyclone Kenneth.**
- **Specific observations were planned in response to the call 696 from the International Charter Space and Major Disasters on 25th April 2019, related to floods in South Africa**
- **Specific Sentinel-1 acquisitions were planned to support the monitoring of the following tropical cyclones over oceans/seas: Kenneth (near Madagascar and Mozambique), Lorna (Indian Ocean) and Fani (Bay of Bengal)**
- **Already planned observations were identified and related products provided in response to the call 694 from the International Charter Space and Major Disasters on 23rd April 2019, related to floods in Iraq**
- Both Sentinel-1A and -1B spacecraft are in a stable state, operating in Nominal Mission Mode (NMM). The Flight Operations Segment (FOS) ensuring the monitoring, control and commanding of the satellites is operating nominally. Orbit control manoeuvres are performed once a week
- The use of the EDRS-A service by Sentinel-1A and -1B is on-going as part of the routine operations
- X-Band data acquisitions are routinely performed over Matera, Svalbard and Maspalomas X-band core stations. The acquired data are circulated within the Payload Data Ground Segment (PDGS), systematically processed to Level-0 and Level-1 products and archived
- Wave Mode data are regularly acquired over open oceans, systematically processed to Level-2 OCN products and made available. Sentinel-1 IW and EW Level-2 OCN products over regional ocean areas are available on the Data Hubs. The operations of the systematic generation and distribution of Sentinel-1 level-2 OCN products derived from IW, EW and SM modes over seas at global level is on-going since 15 November 2017 (relevant for the Wind component - OWI). The operational qualification of the Level-2 the OCN Radial Surface Velocity (RVL) component is on-going.
- Operations are performed regularly at the Processing and Archiving Centres (DLR-PAC and UK-PAC). All other PDGS operational services (i.e. Mission Performance, Precise Orbit Determination, Wide Area Network) are operating nominally
- **By 25th April 2019, a total of 235,768 users have self-registered on the Sentinels Open Access data Hub; 19.6 million Sentinel-1 product download have been made by users, representing 25 PB of data. 3.8 million Sentinel-1 products are available on-line for download, representing 6 PB of data. Statistics of last 24 hours are available in real time at the Open Data Hub home page: <https://scihub.copernicus.eu>**

Outlook

- Continuation of Sentinel-1 constellation routine operations
- **ESA Living Planet Symposium, 13-17 May 2019, Milan, Italy**
- **Sentinel-1 Yearly Mission Review, 24 May 2019**

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