

- GMES space component :
  - Elements provided by ESA (Sentinel satellites)
  - Elements provided by Eumetsat
  - Contribution by national entities : B+E+D+I
- ESA provided satellites were defined by a gap analysis :
  - Space observation requirements derived and compared with available and planned missions from EU/ ESA member states and Eumetsat
  - Leads to compromises to accommodate as much user requirements within a limited number of big missions

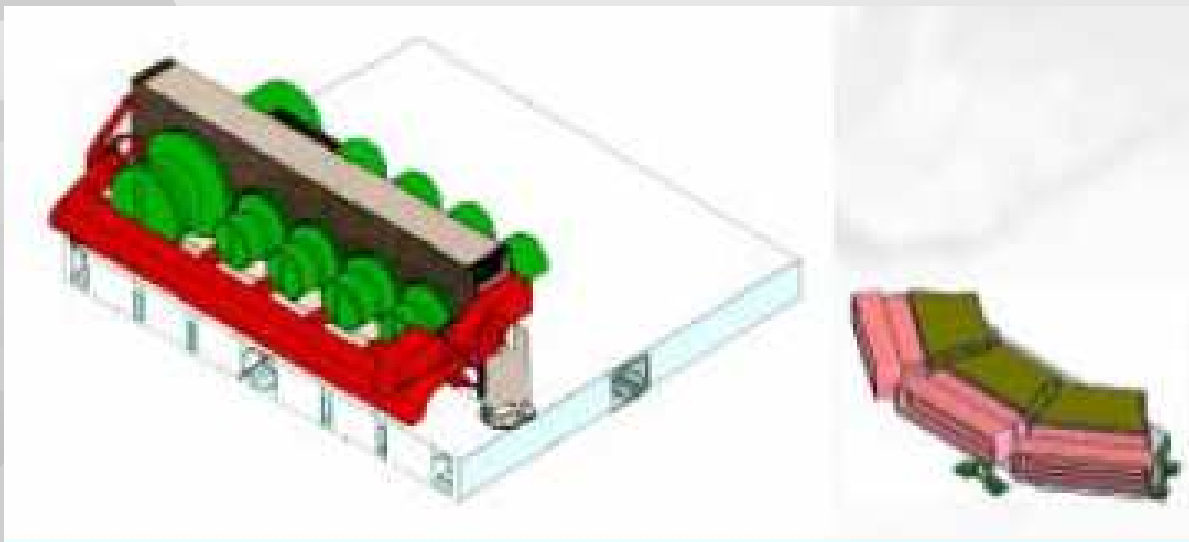
Small mission allows to have focused mission objectives

# PROBA V mission

- Demonstrated focused mission objectives with small platforms :
  - PROBA 1: hyperspectral + HR optical
  - Topsat : HR optical
  - DMC : disaster monitoring
- Enhanced data continuity to Vegetation (VGT) :
  - Since 1998 the VGT Mission (SPOT 4&5) has operationally delivered to its users daily global monitoring of continental surfaces at 1 km resolution
  - PROBA V will provide daily global monitoring at 100 m to 300 m resolution
  - VGT mission will be continued by the Sentinel 3 of GMES as from 2013

# VGT missions comparison

| Parameter         | Spot VGT                          | Available for LandObs             |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Mass              | 152kg                             | ± 25kg                            |
| Volume            | 700 x 1000 x 1000 mm <sup>3</sup> | ± 200 x 800 x 500 mm <sup>3</sup> |
| Power consumption | 200W                              | ± 30W                             |



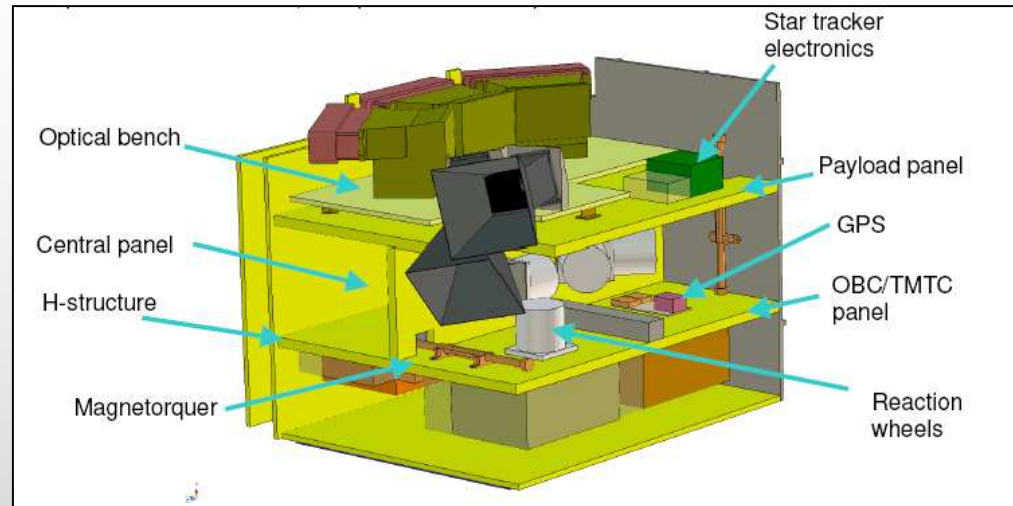
# PROBA V Key applications

- Land use, land cover and its changes
- Vegetation behaviour in response to strong meteorological events (e.g. severe drought) and to climatic changes (long term behaviour of the vegetation)
- Disaster management (detection of fires and surface water bodies)
- biophysical parameters for models devoted to water budget and primary productivity (agriculture, ecosystem vulnerability, etc)

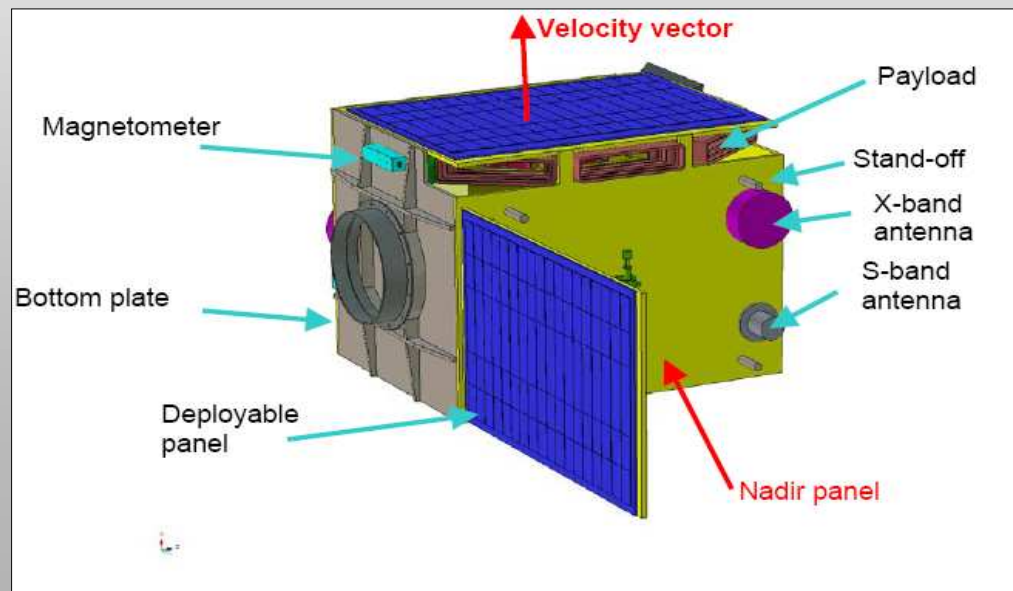
# Spacecraft design

## Spacecraft key figures

- Total mass: 131 kg
- Peak power consumption: 131.2 W
- Thermal deformation:  
inter-telescope < 0.5 arcsec  
star tracker-payload < 2 arcsec
- Absolute geometric error



|                    | Centre pixels |             | Edge pixels  |             |
|--------------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
|                    | Across track  | Along track | Across track | Along track |
| Total error        |               |             |              |             |
| Before calibration | 102.5 m       | 89.5 m      | 332.3 m      | 89.5 m      |
| After calibration  | 38.7 m        | 36.2 m      | 108.8 m      | 36.2 m      |
| Requirement        | 100 m         | 100m        | 100 m        | 100 m       |

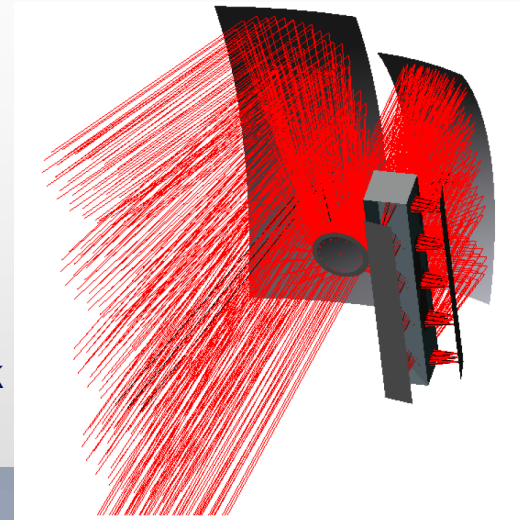


# Instrument design

## Performance

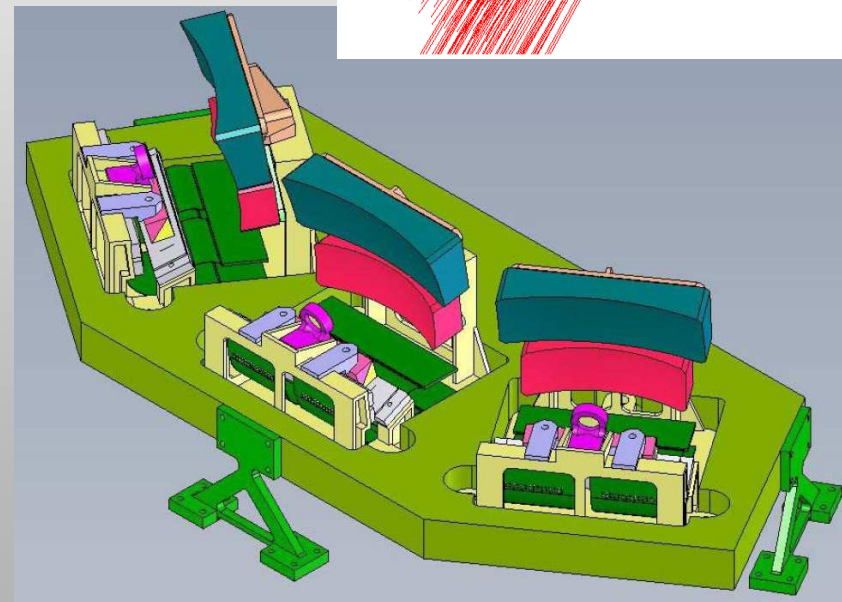
- Swath width = 2220 km at 800 km altitude
- VNIR GSD is 100 m in centre, 300 m at edge
- SWIR GSD is 200 m in centre, 600 m at edge
- Multi-spectral geometric accuracy < 0.03 pixels
- MTF at Nyquist  $\geq 25\%$  across-track and  $\geq 11\%$  along-track
- SNR at reference radiance :

| Blue | Red | NIR | SWIR |
|------|-----|-----|------|
| 188  | 376 | 454 | 1083 |



## Design

- Composed of 3 identical TMA telescopes with  $33.4^\circ$  FOV each and  $101.7^\circ$  combined
- VNIR detector + SWIR detector  $\mu\text{m}$



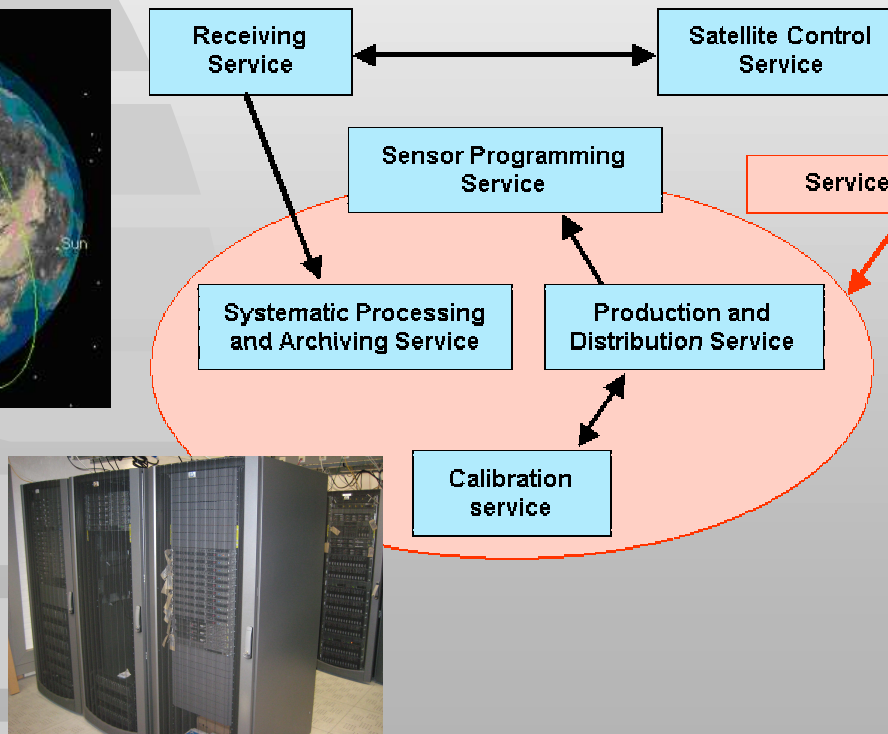
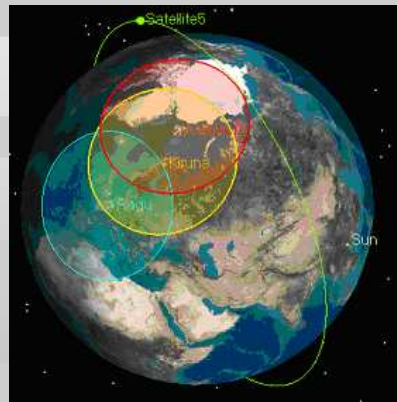
# Ground segment

## Receiving service segment

- Data downlink to Ushuaia/ Svalbard:  
X-band, 5.4 m antenna
- Downlink data rate = 17.44 Mbits/sec

## Satellite Control Segment

- Spacecraft control from Redu (S-band uplink)



## Service segment

- Based on SPOT-VEGETATION CTIV ground segment
- Modernization and standardization effort required
- Radiometric calibration using vicarious calibration during whole mission
- Geo-accuracy calibration using ground reference points during commissioning