



ISIS - Innovative Solutions In Space SpaceTech Event - June 2019 - ESTEC

# TURN-KEY MISSIONS FOR CUBESATS



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- MSc Aerospace Engineering (1999 2006)
- Co-Founder & CEO of ISIS (2006 ...)
- Chairman of SpaceNed (2016 ...)
- Starwars Fan (198# December 12, 2017)
- Lego Collector (1985 ...)
- Space Professional / Nerd / Geek / what-have-you
- Treasurer of AMSAT-NL (2010 ...)
- Treasurer of Delfi-Foundation (2009 ...)
- And many more...



## A long time ago...



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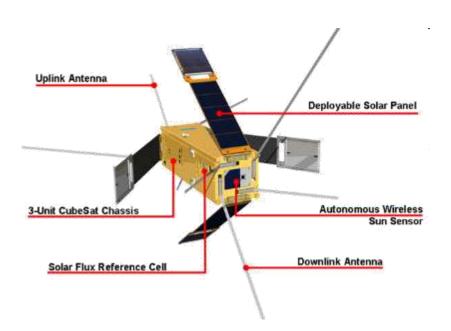
#### November 2004 - Delfi-C3 Starts



- 4<sup>th</sup> Dutch Satellite after ANS, IRAS and SloshSat
- 1st Dutch university satellite to be actually launched in to orbit (28 April 2008)

Project largely run by students

Industry payloads





### Delfi-C3 Students at work





### April 2005 - the idea was born





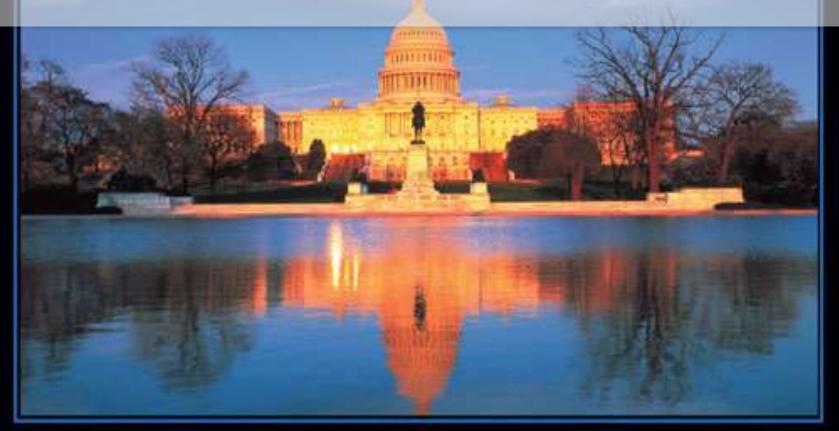
### January 6, 2006 - ISIS founded







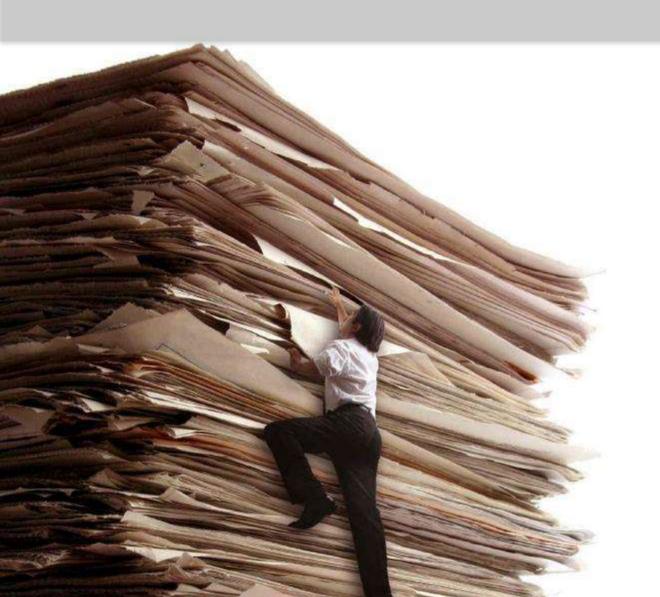
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# GOVERNMENT

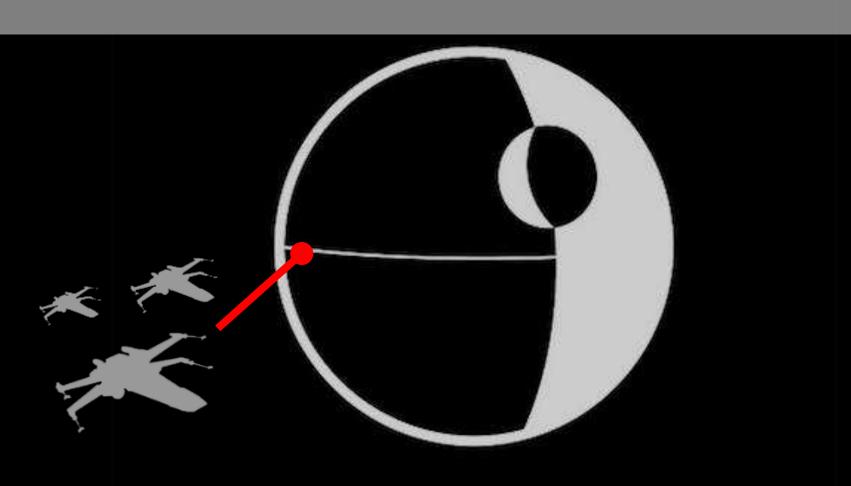
IF YOU THINK THE PROBLEMS WE CREATE ARE BAD,
JUST WAIT UNTIL YOU SEE OUR SOLUTIONS.

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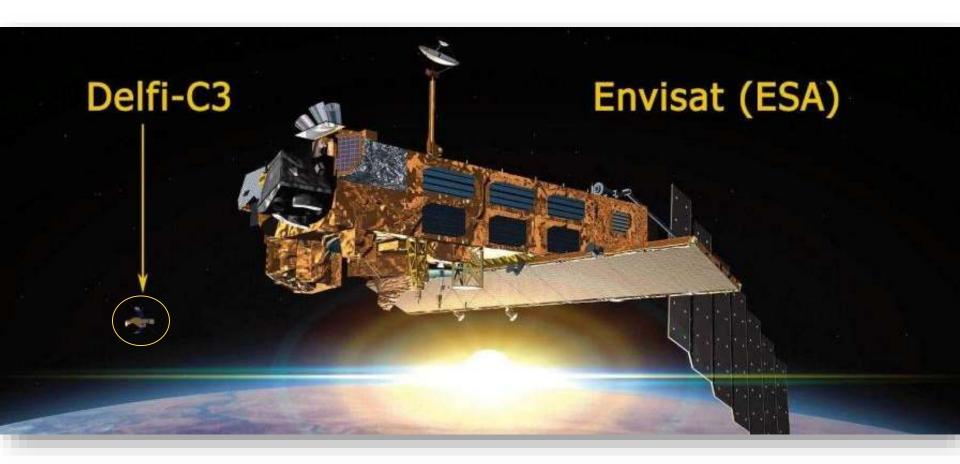
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TOO BIG TO FAIL



### Small is beautiful...



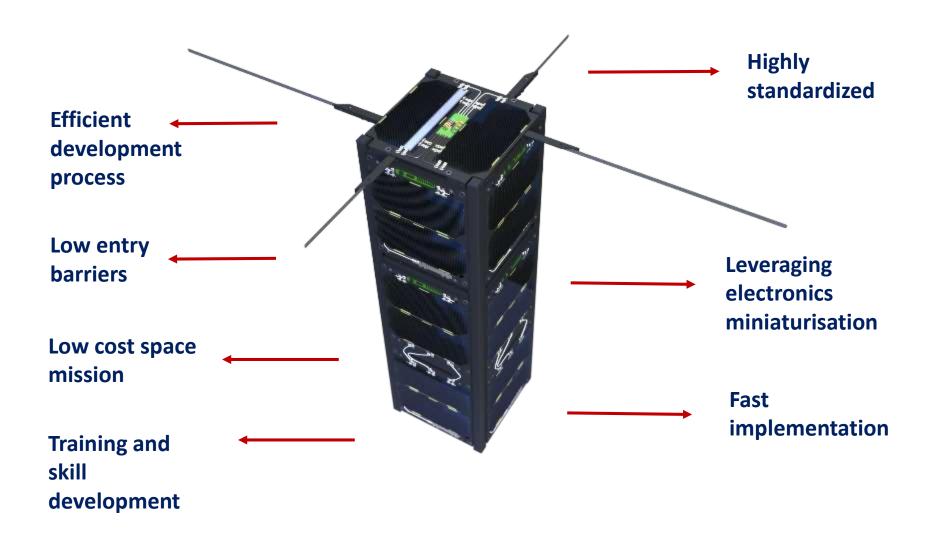
## Nanosatellites as disruptive innovation



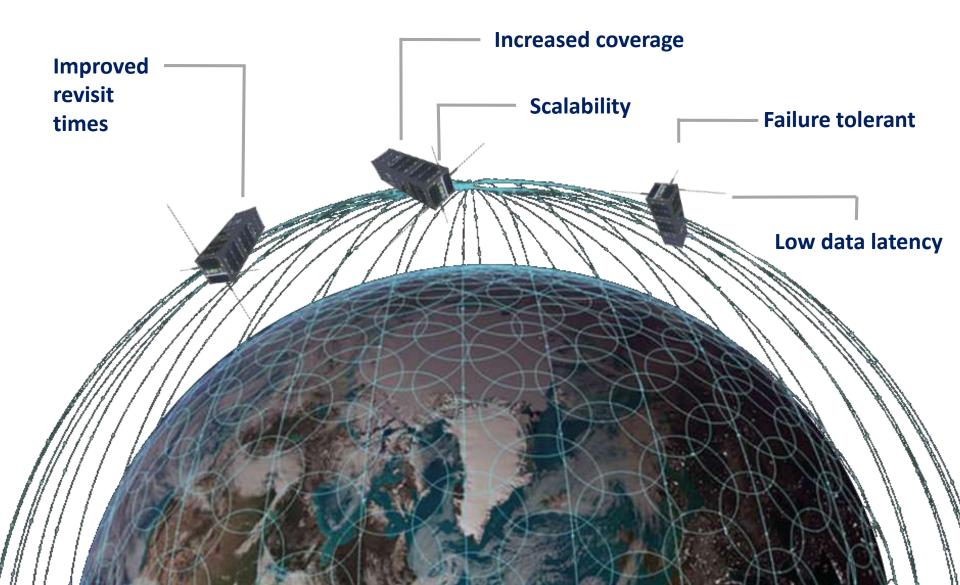




### Advantages of a nanosatellite



### **Advantages of many nanosats**



# Applications and services Nanosats enable multiple applications





# Nanosatellites and CubeSats modular spacecraft



- < 100 kg Microsat
- < 50 kg Small Microsat
- <24 kg Large Nanosat (12U CubeSat)
- <10 kg Nanosat (6U CubeSat)
- <1 kg Picosat (1U CubeSat)

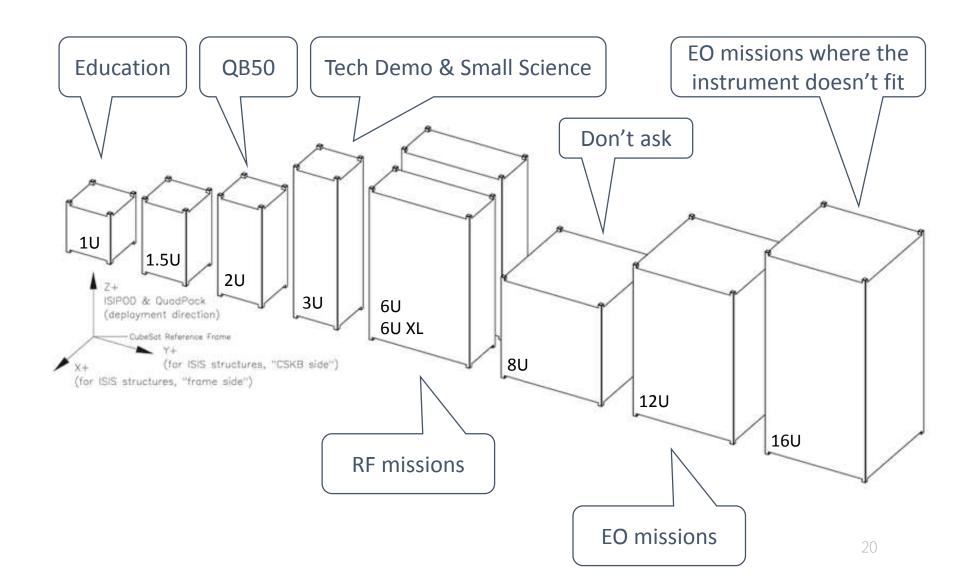


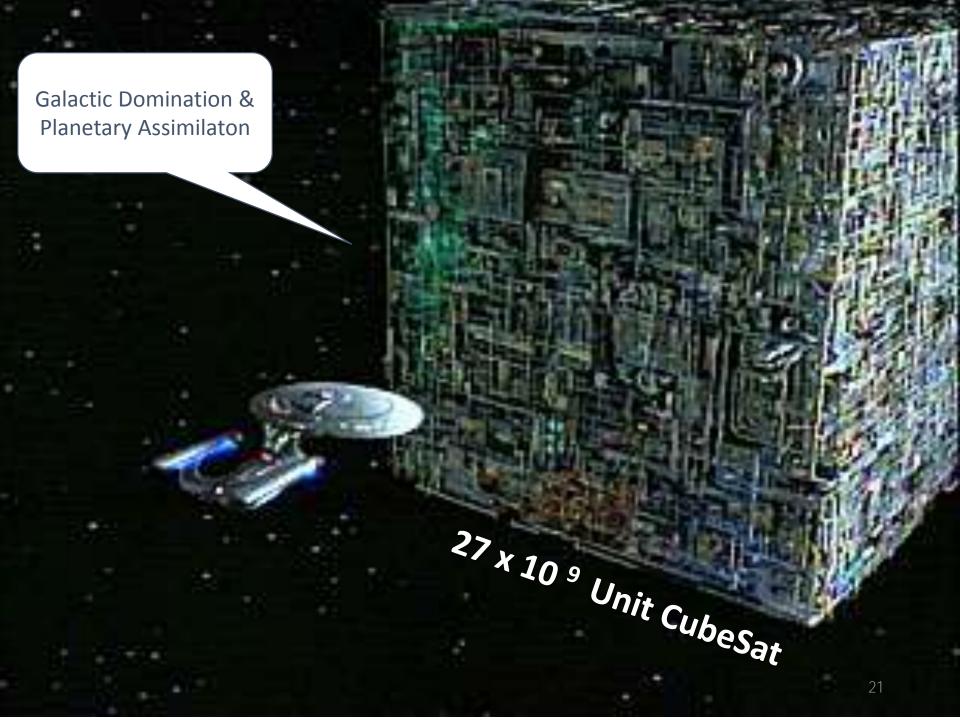


#### CubeSat Sizes and Mission Classes

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#### Form follows function...

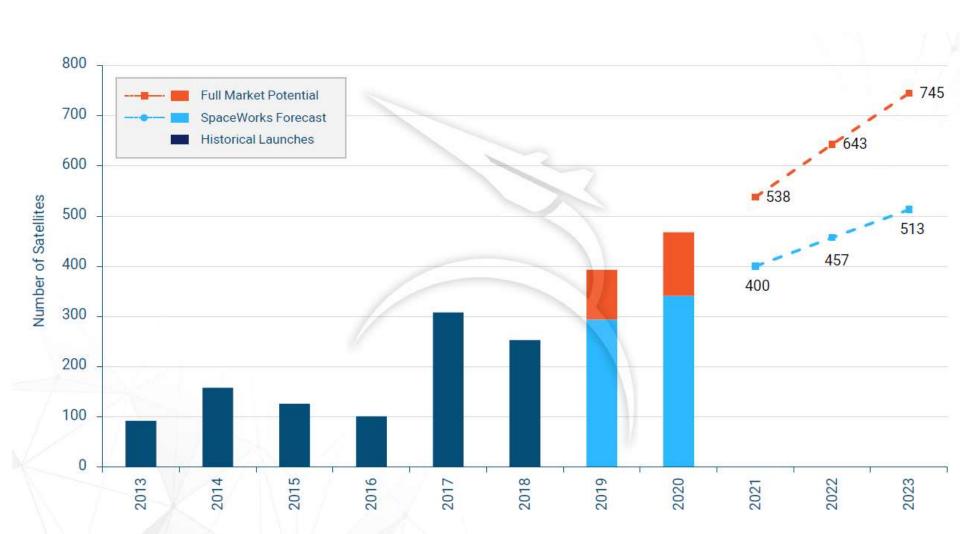




### A growing market for nanosatellites

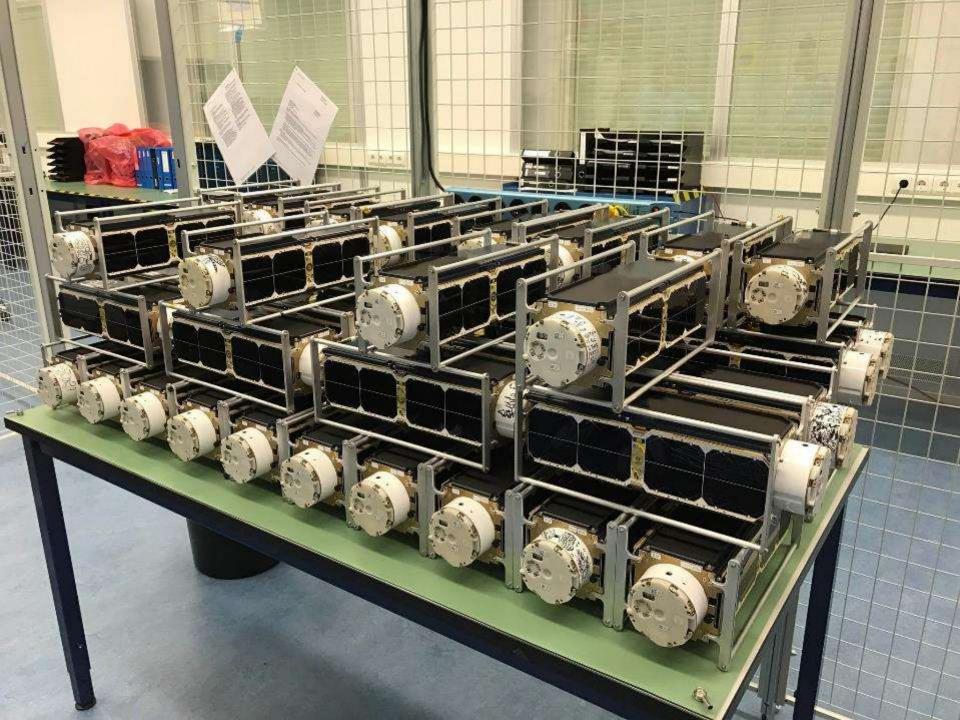


(spaceworks commercial)



# The space sector is changing out of the laboratory, into the factory







# ISIS - Innovative Solutions In Space Facts & Figures







15 February 2017
World record of integrating 101 satellites on a single rocket



More information on www.isispace.nl

### Recent Highlights

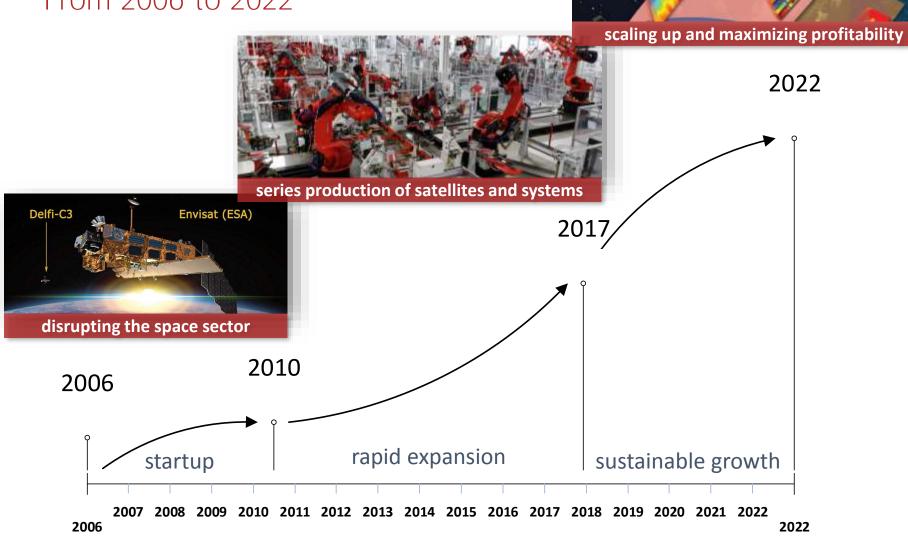
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### Some ISIS group achievements from the last year

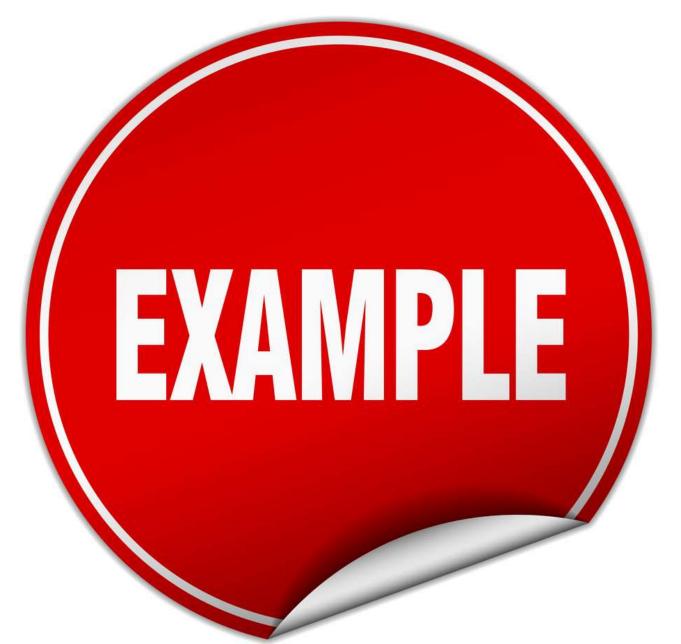


### ISIS growth path

From 2006 to 2022







# FunCube-1 | / | / | / | Educational







- Amateur CubeSat
  - Designed, built and financed by volunteers and supporters of AMSAT-UK and AMSAT-NL
- Education outreach for space science
  - Carry a material science experiment
- UHF to VHF Transponder payload embedded

### ■ 1U CubeSat mission

- 1<sup>st</sup> satellite with a primary mission of educational outreach
- 1st 1U CubeSat with a linear transponder















#### **Decommissioned**





- 1<sup>st</sup> mission goal
  - Demonstrate Piezo actuated optical bench with FBG interrogator in space
- 2<sup>nd</sup> mission goal
  - Demonstrate Piezo-electric power generation in space
- 3<sup>rd</sup> mission goal
  - Demonstrate novel CubeSat avionics

#### 3U CubeSat mission

- Flight project sponsored by EC FP7, completed June 2017
- First NL CubeSat fully operated under NL Space Law on commercial frequencies
- Successfully flight qualified new CubeSat power system











### DIDO-2 Microgravity Research







- 1<sup>st</sup> mission goal
  - Proof of concept for in-situ micro-g research
- 2<sup>nd</sup> mission goal
  - Perform end-to-end operations validation
- 3<sup>rd</sup> mission goal
  - Perform a set of microgravity experiments

#### 3U CubeSat mission

- Payload samples to be temperature controlled throughout the mission
- In-situ analysis of experiment samples
- Achieved 3-axis pointing (coarse) with magnetic actuation only











# SIMBA **Earth observation**

#### To be launched (2019)





- Measure the Earth thermal radiation budget
  - Study the average Earth thermal balance over a year
- Technology demonstration
  - KUL ADCS for fine pointing with star tracker and reaction wheels

#### 3U CubeSat mission

- Same instrument to measure both the incoming solar flux and the emitted Earth flux
- Project developed under the supervision of ESA technical experts
- Partnership with amateur radio community, transponder included









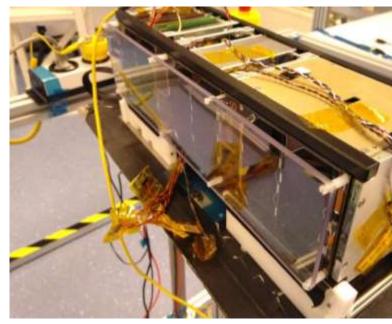


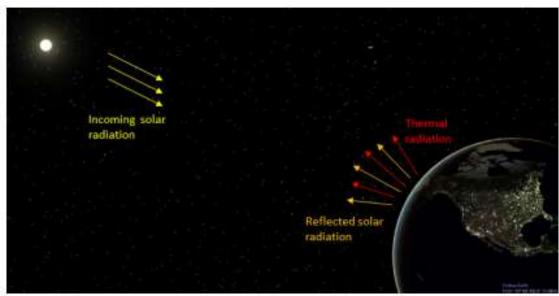
### SIMBA Mission overview

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#### Instrument

- Active cavity radiometer
- Measure radiated flux in both visible bands and infrared







### Hiber-1 & Hiber-2 IOT / Remote Monitoring

#### In development





- 1<sup>st</sup> satellite goal
  - Demonstrate end-to-end functionality
- Final goal
  - Global IOT service
- 6U CubeSat mission
  - Hosts RF payload connecting multimillion low power devices
  - Compact Bus in scalable constellation









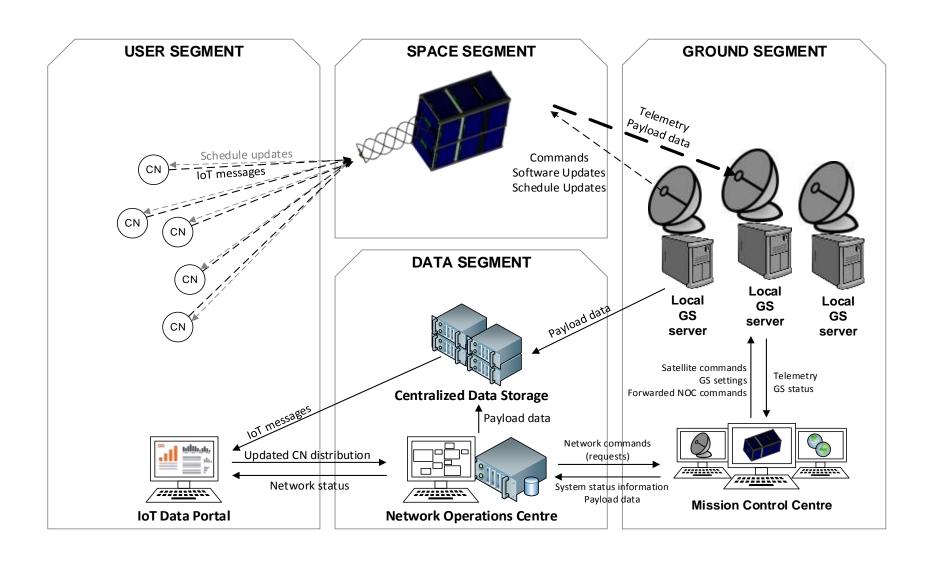






# Hiber – Satellite IOT System overview







#### To be Launched (2020)





Koninklijke luchtmacht

- Technology demonstration
  - Several military on ground application
- Final goal
  - Show the CubeSat can enable fast and efficient technology demonstration within military
- 6U CubeSat mission
  - Independent NL mission
  - Dutch Airforce Precursor satellite



ISIS involvement:











#### Spectrolite \_\_\_ Air Quality Monitornig



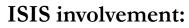




- 1st mission goal
  - Demonstrate novel spectrometer
- 2<sup>nd</sup> mission goal
  - Measure NO2 emissions
- 3<sup>rd</sup> mission goal
  - Localize emission sources

#### ■ 12U CubeSat mission

- Integrated design team of SME's and traditional industry
- First mission with strong optical alignment and thermal constraints









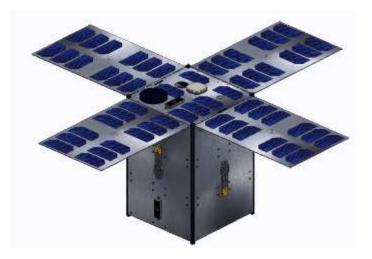




## AMS — Agricultural Monitoring

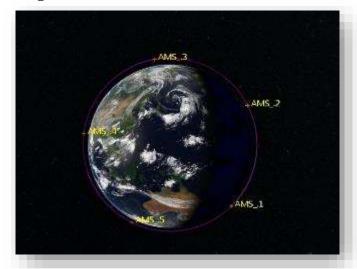


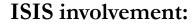




- 16U CubeSat mission
  - First 16-U Mission
  - Accommodate Cooling and fine pointing
  - Collaboration between satellite builder, instrument developer and data processing organisation

- 1<sup>st</sup> mission goal
  - Demonstrate MWIR instrument in a CubeSat
- 2<sup>nd</sup> mission goal
  - Provide Soil Moisture Data In Real Time
- 3<sup>rd</sup> mission goal
  - Develop Commercial Scalable service





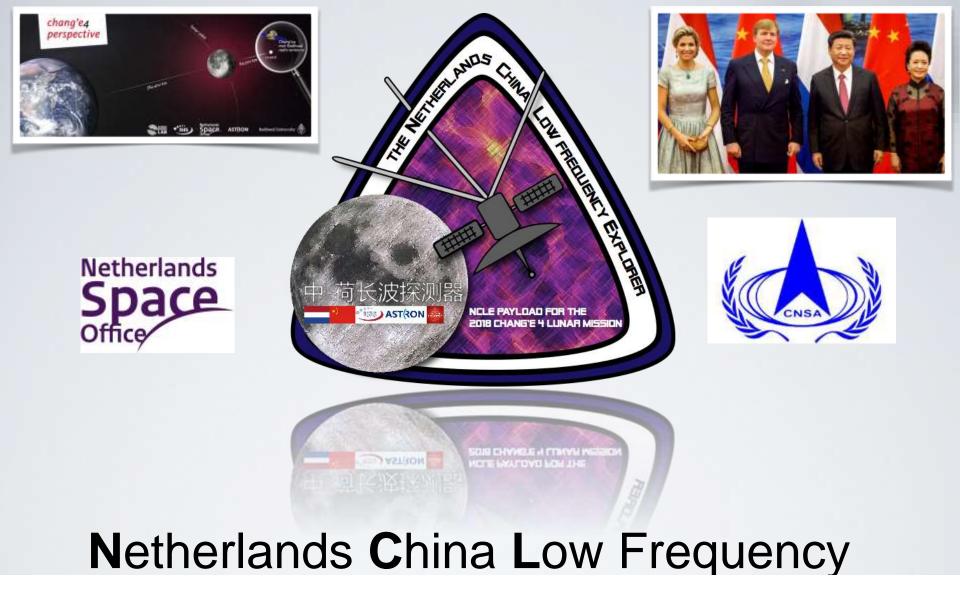




















### Part of a roadmap

Science

Step-wise approach - science from day one

**Lunar Orbit** 

2015-2018

2018-2022

2022-2030

RFI, SkyMap, Solar Physics, Jupiter/saturn, **21cm global signal** 

Antenna calibration and gain control

Space qualification analogue and digital components

**Single Antenna Demonstrator** 

Nano-sats in Lunar Orbit & at the surface

RFI, SkyMap, Solar Physics, Jupiter/Saturn, 21cm global signal, Extra-Galactic sources, radio transients

Interferometry in space, deployment on the lunar surface, additive manufacturing

Inter-satellite communications & swarm technologies

**Multi-element Demonstrator** 

Nano-sats in Lunar Orbit or Sun-Earth L2

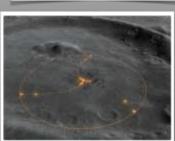
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**Multi-element Interferometer** 



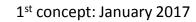


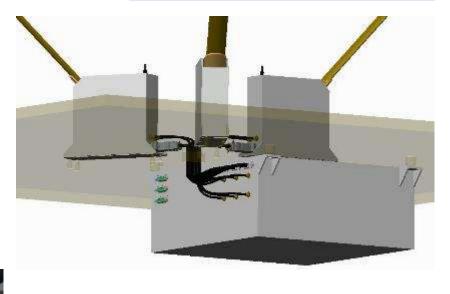
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#### Design flow

Design philosophy: build fast and often







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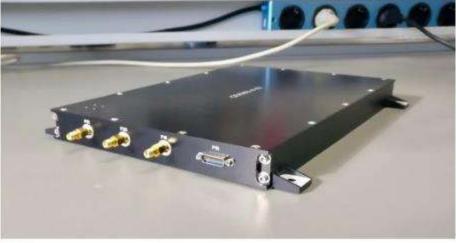
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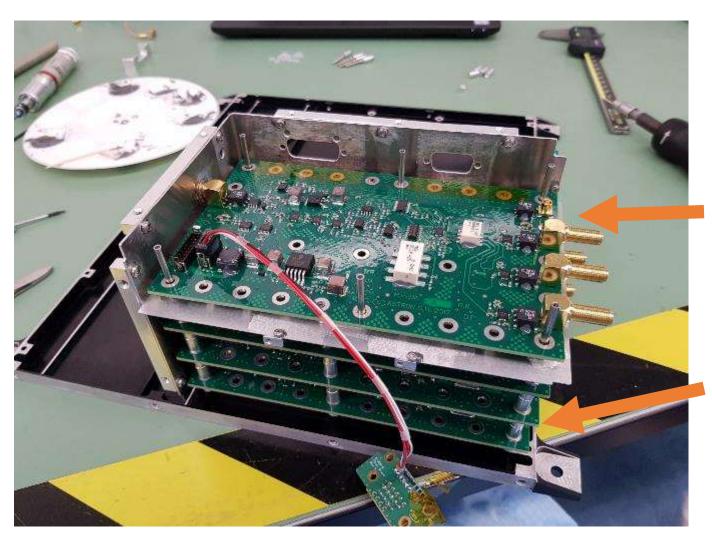
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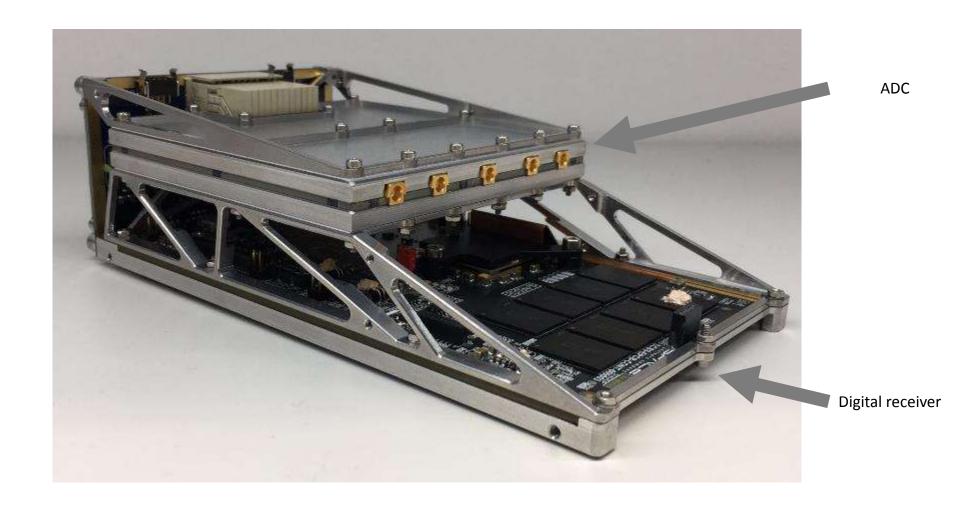
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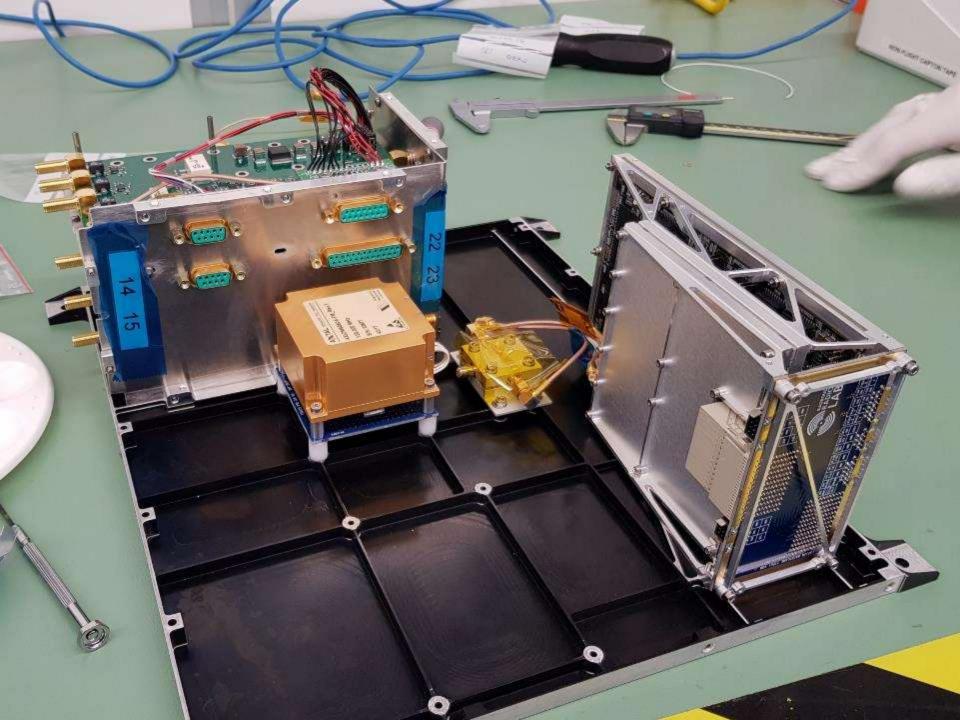


Calibrator

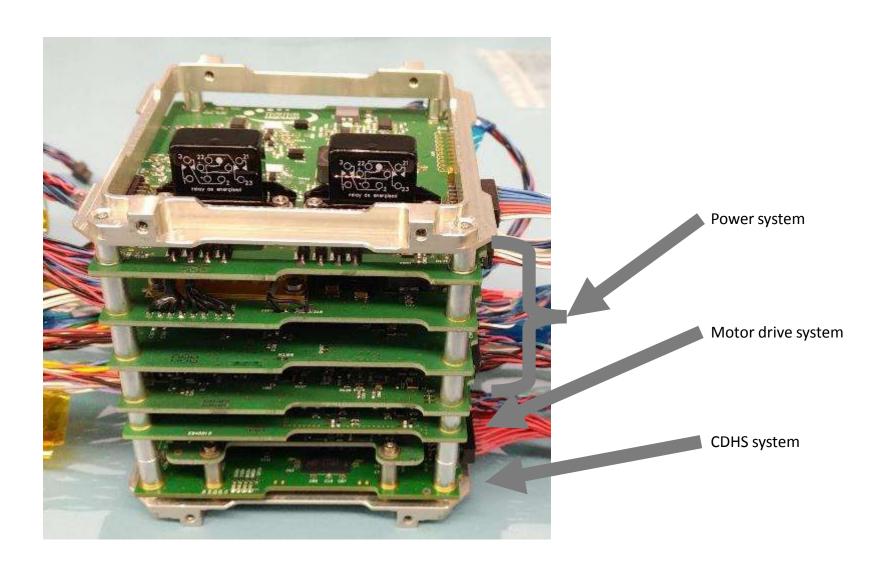
Analog Input System

## Internal Electronics Box: Receiver





#### Internal Electronics: Interface electronics

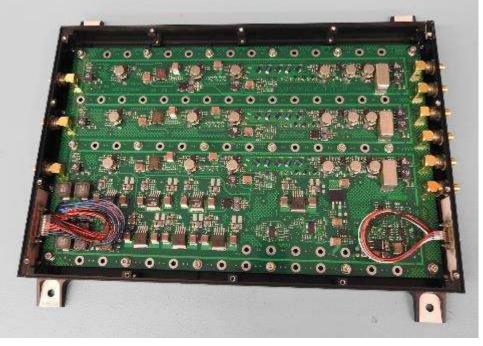


#### Final Result:



#### LNA box

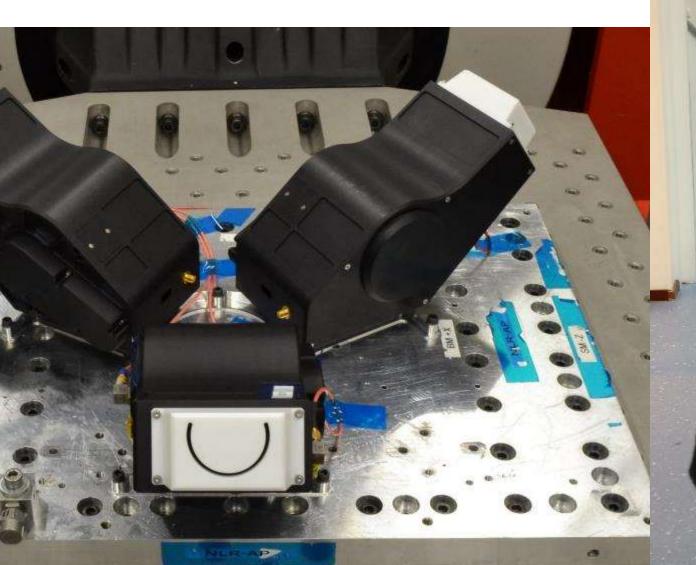




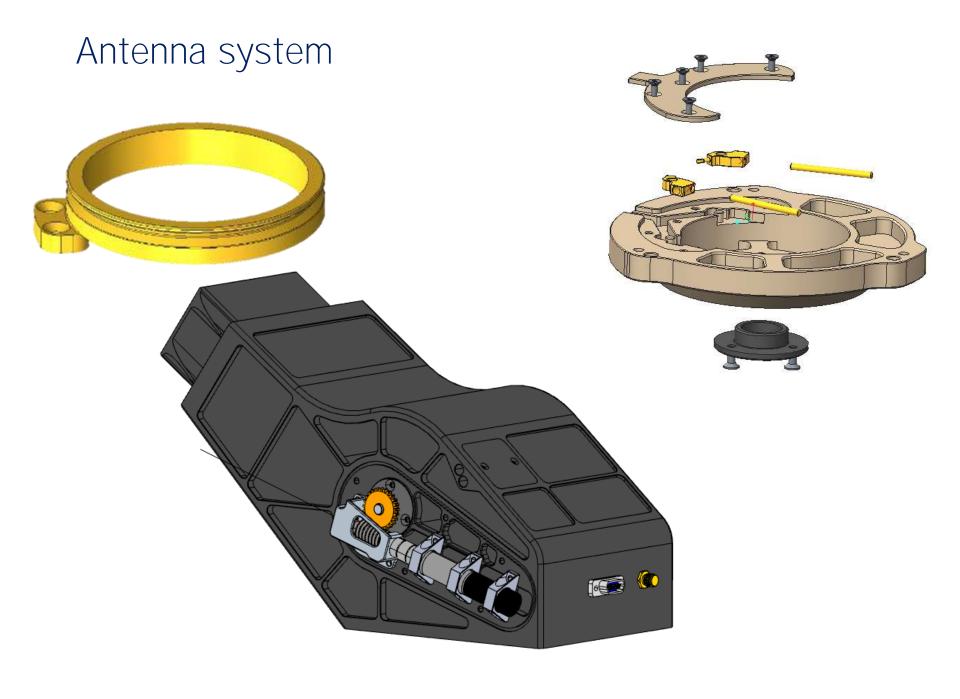
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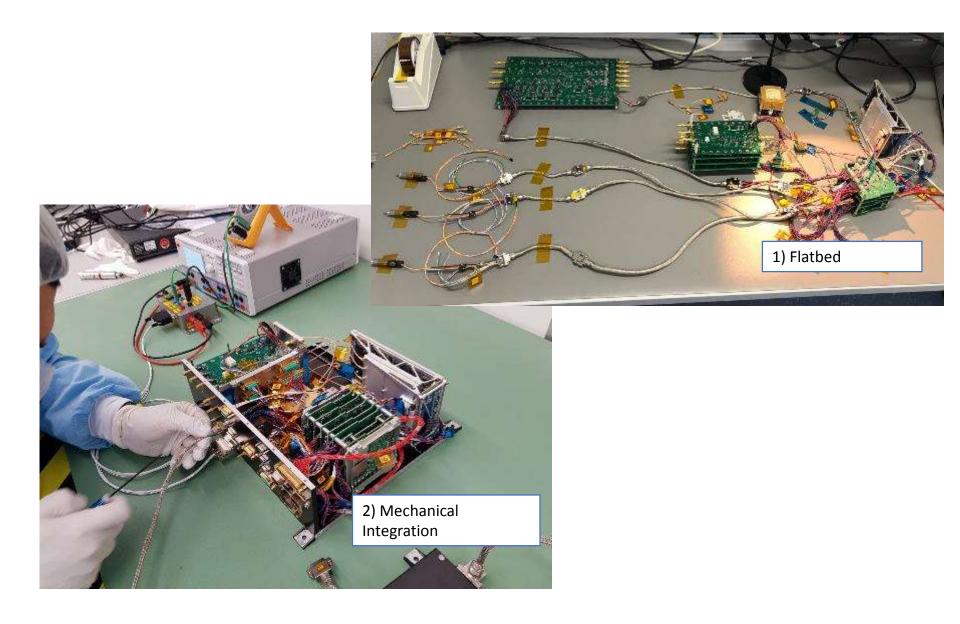
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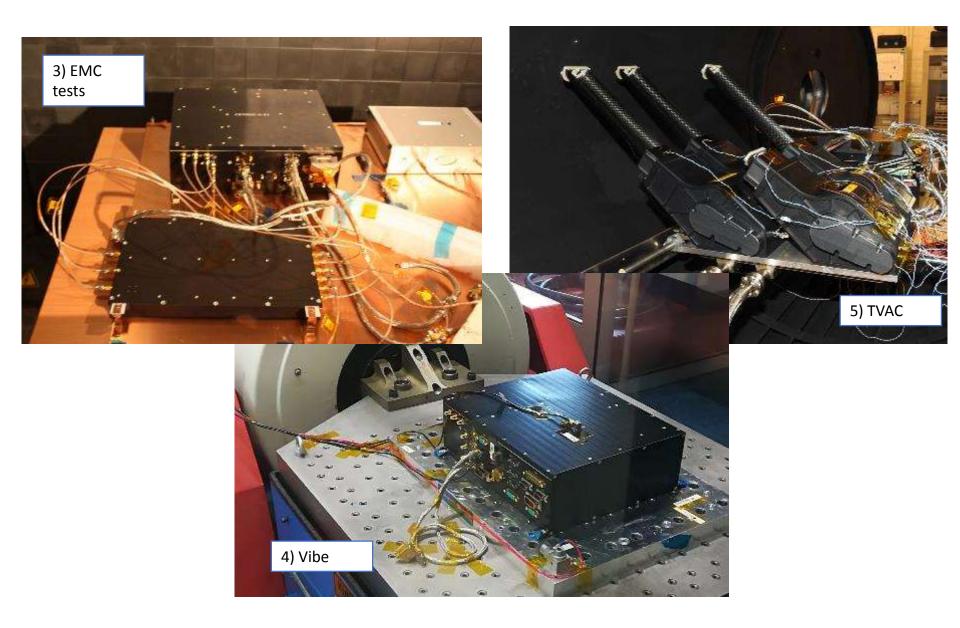




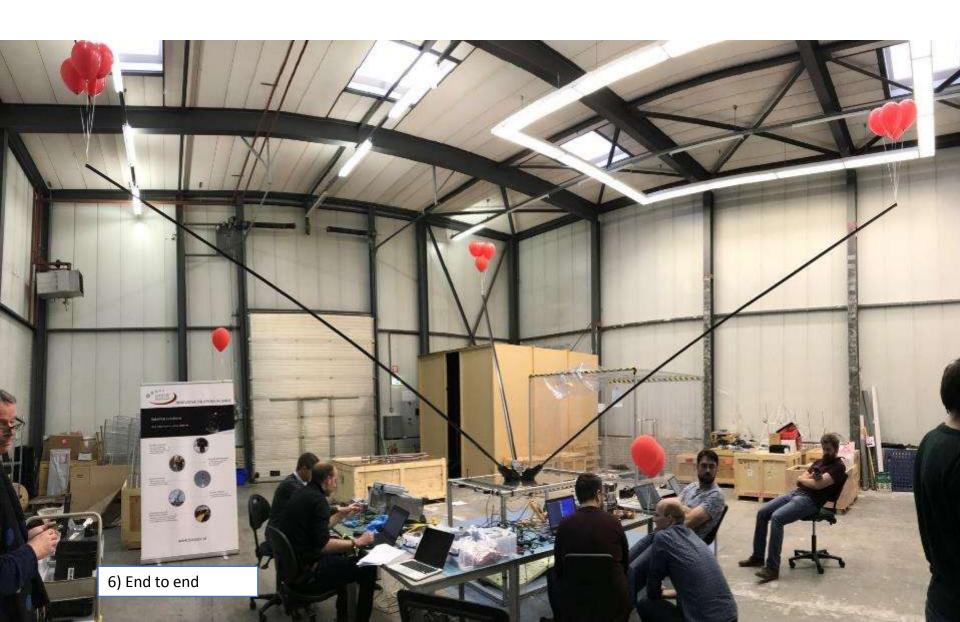
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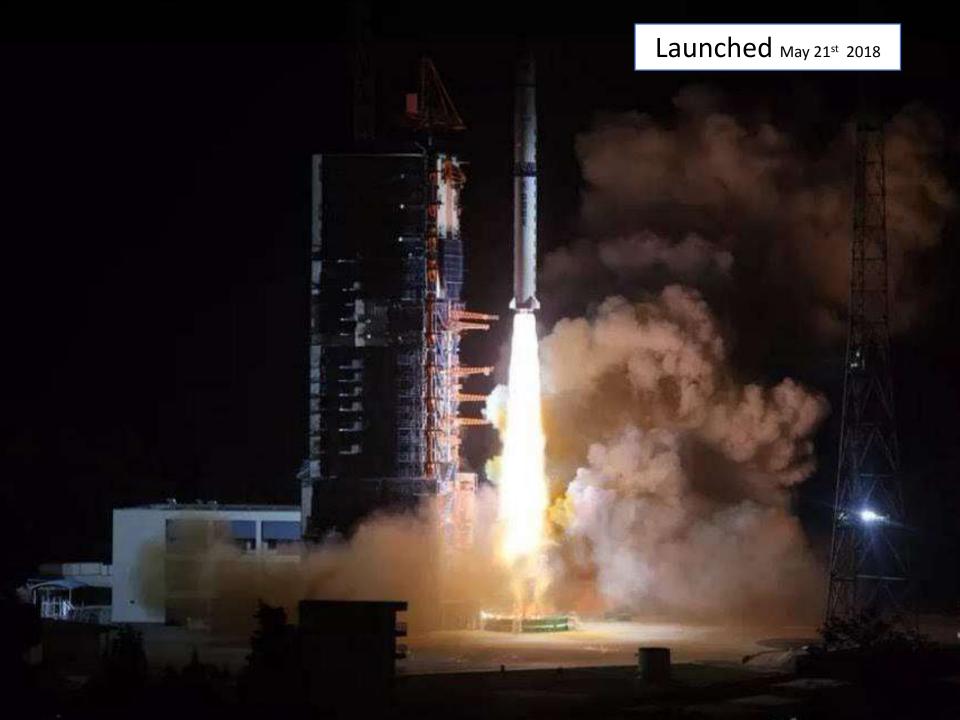


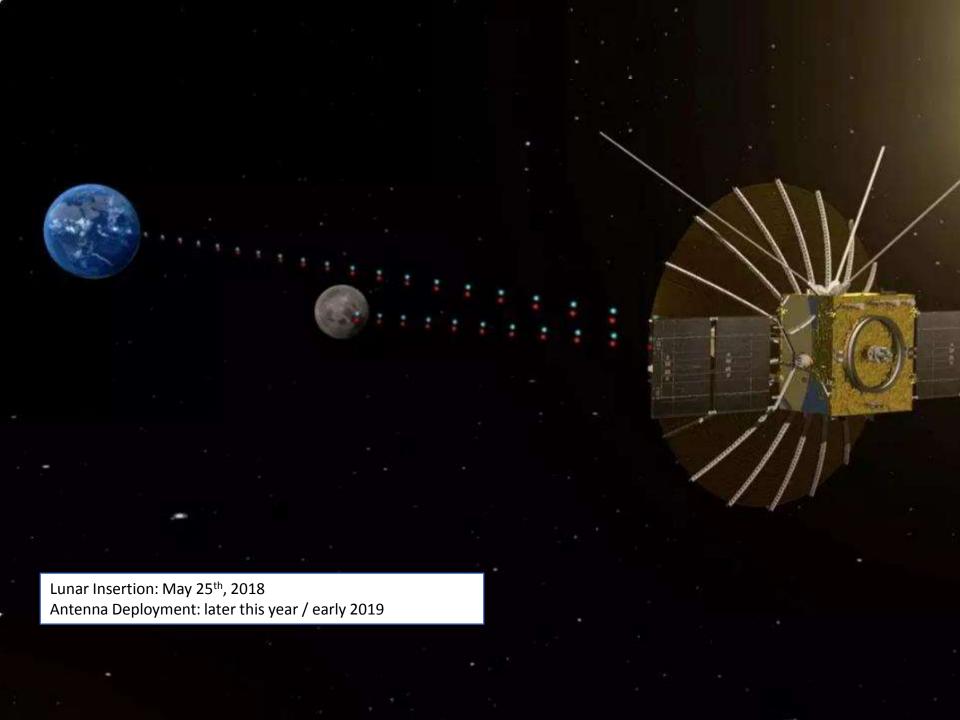




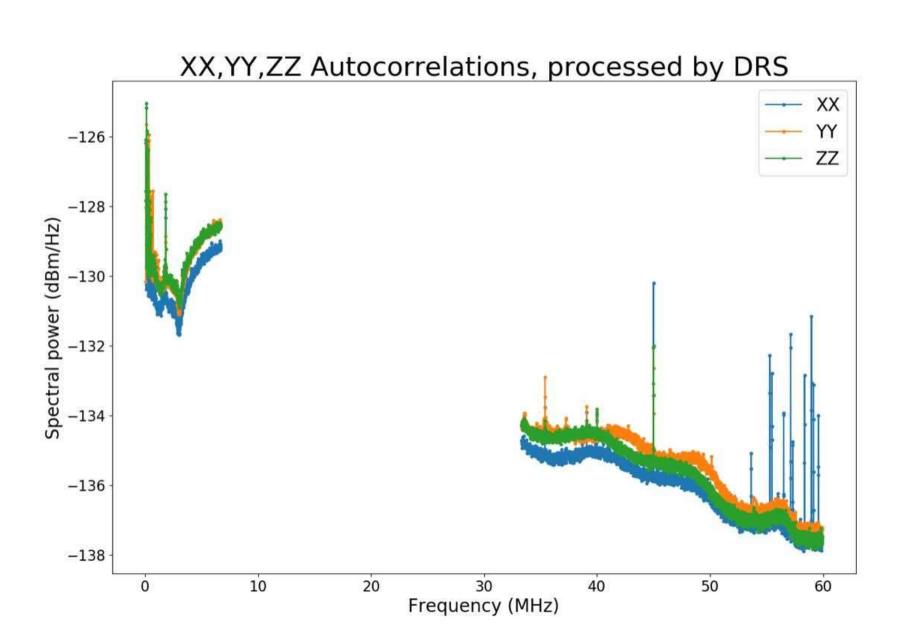












# The Future NEXT EXIT

#### What will the next 5 years bring?

2018-2023



Growth to satellite-as-a-service provider for ISIS

Maturisation of Nanosatellite systems

- Reliability
- Capability
- Price/Performance
- Access to Space
  - Improved rideshare
  - Dedicated/semi-dedicated options
- New markets
  - Defense and security → niche markets
  - Science and Exploration → co-passengers / scouts
  - Non CubeSat Market → apply benefits/methods
- Sustainable Use of Space
  - Debris mitigation
  - Active Debris Removal



#### A new era for space technology

If we can make room for new ideas, the space









#### Thank you for your attention!





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