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GGOS and IAG Commission 4 “Positioning & Applications”

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Outline:

- **Who are we?**
- **What is special about us?** *What role could Comm4 play in GGOS?*
- **What can GGOS do for us?** *What functions can GGOS play? What value could it bring to Comm4?*
- **Comments to GGOS Reference Document**



Sub-Commissions:

- SC4.1 “Multi-sensor Systems” (*D. Brzezinska*)
- SC4.2 “Applications of Geodesy in Engineering” (*H. Kahmen*)
- SC4.3 “GNSS Measurement of the Atmosphere” (*S. Skone & H. van der Marel*)
- SC4.4 “Applications of Satellite & Airborne Imaging Systems” (*X. Ding*)
- SC4.5 “Next Generation RTK” (*Y. Gao*)

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Study Groups:

- SG4.1 “Pseudolite Applications in Positioning & Navigation” (*J. Wang*)
- SG4.2 “Statistics & Geometry in Mixed Integer Linear Models, with Applications to GPS & InSAR” (*A. Dermanis - joint with ICCT*)
- SG1.1 “Ionospheric Modelling and Analysis” (*C. Brunini - joint with IAG Com1 & COSPAR*) - *Dead?*
- SG1.2 “Use of GNSS for Reference Frames” (*R. Weber - joint with IAG Com1 & IGS*)

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SC4.1 “Multi-sensor Systems”

- ⤴ WG4.1.1 Advances in Inertial Navigation & Error Modelling Algorithms
- ⤴ WG4.1.2 Indoor & Pedestrian Navigation
- ⤴ WG4.1.3 Advances in MEMS Technology & Applications

<http://www.ceegs.ohio-state.edu/IAG-SC41/>

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SC4.2 “Applications of Geodesy in Engineering”

- ⤴ WG4.2.1 Measurement Systems for the Navigation of Construction Processes
- ⤴ WG4.2.2 Dynamic Monitoring of Buildings
- ⤴ WG4.2.3 Application of Knowledge-based Systems in Engineering Geodesy
- ⤴ WG4.2.4 Monitoring of Landslides & System Analysis

<http://info.tuwien.ac.at/ingeo/sc4/sc42.html>

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SC4.3 “GNSS Measurement of the Atmosphere”

- ⬆ WG4.3.1 Ionospheric Scintillation
- ⬆ WG4.3.2 Performance Evaluation of Ionosphere Tomography Model
- ⬆ WG4.3.3 Numerical Weather Predictions for Positioning

http://www.gmat.unsw.edu.au/iag/iag_sc43.htm

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SC4.4 “Applications of Satellite & Airborne Imaging Systems”

- ⤴ WG4.4.1 Permanent Scatterer / Corner Reflector / Transponder InSAR
- ⤴ WG4.4.2 Atmospheric Effects in InSAR / InSAR Meteorology
- ⤴ WG4.4.3 InSAR in Polar Regions
- ⤴ WG4.4.4 Imaging Systems for Ground Subsidence Monitoring

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SC4.5 “Next Generation RTK”

- ⤴ WG4.5.1 Network RTK
- ⤴ WG4.5.2 Carrier Phase Based Precise Point Positioning
- ⤴ WG4.5.3 High Precision Positioning of Buoys & Moving Platforms
- ⤴ WG4.5.4 Multiple Carrier Phase Ambiguity Methods & Applications

<http://www.ucalgary.ca/~ygao/iag.htm>

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What's special about IAG Comm4?

- ⤴ Commission 4 topics are “applied” - hence **not** one of the fundamental “Three Pillars of Geodesy”
- ⤴ But have close relations with IAG sister organisations - e.g. FIG, ISPRS,...
- ⤴ Close links to survey/mapping professional bodies, GNSS communities & ION organisations...
- ⤴ Collection of “miscellaneous” topics... (good/bad?)
- ⤴ But many activities (directly or indirectly) concerned with high accuracy GNSS “navigation”...

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What may be the role of Comm4? (1/5)

- ① **Interface** with IAG sister organisations - e.g. *FIG, ISPRS, ION...and other organisations*
- ① **Promote** Geodesy & GGOS to the wider (professional) community...
- ① Offer **outreach** opportunity through its conferences & seminars (often jointly organised with above bodies)...
 - Mobile Mapping Workshops, Joint FIG International Symposium on Deformation Measurements and Analysis/ IAG Symposium on Geodesy for Geotechnical and Structural Engineering, joint sessions at ION meetings, etc.
 - IAG, FIG, ISPRS, ION, geo-industry
- ① **See following examples of DInSAR, engineering geodesy, multi-sensor systems & GNSS-RTK**

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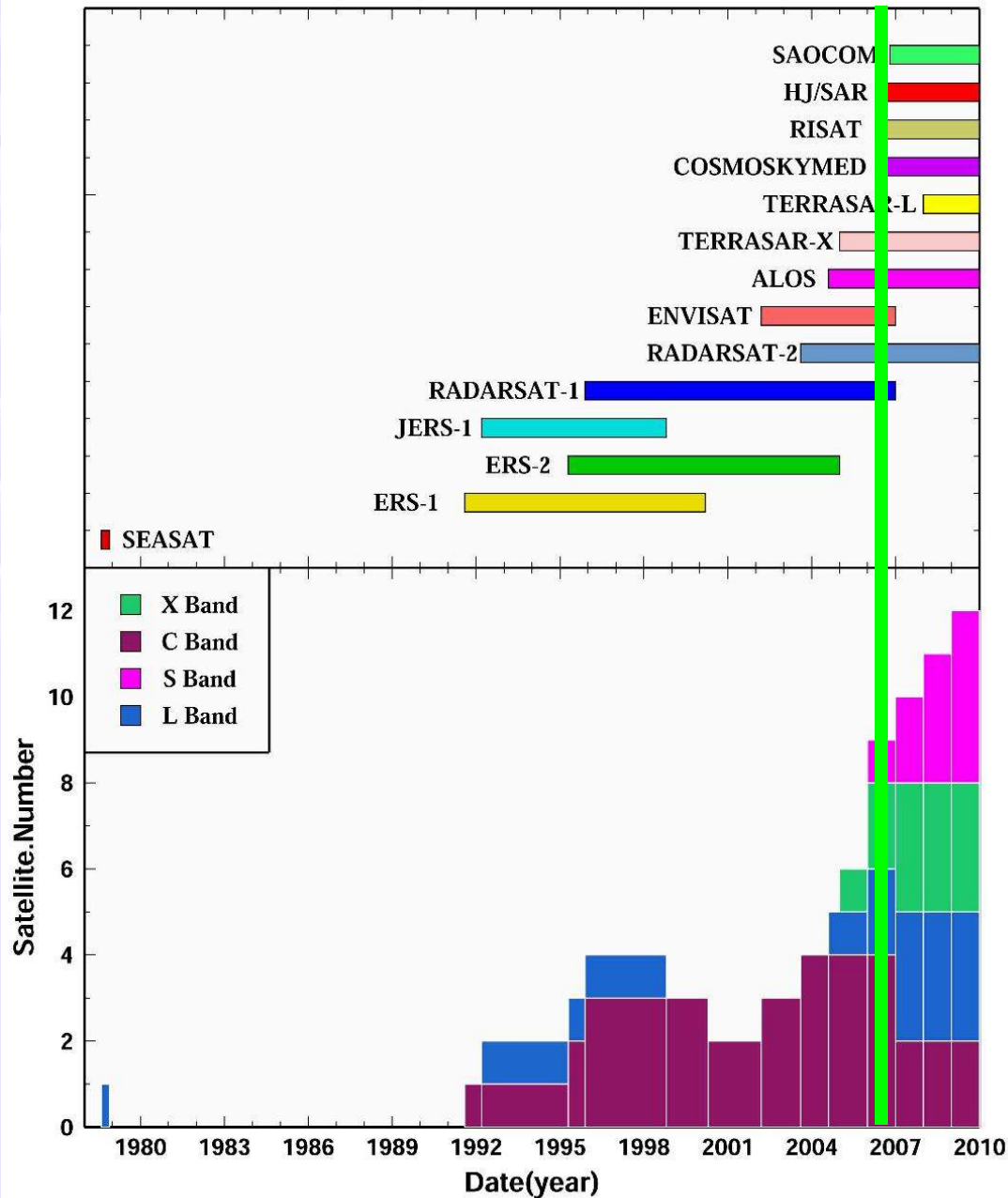


What may be the role of Comm4? (2/5)

- **Currently only IAG entity involved in DInSAR (SC4.4)...increasing importance of this “geodetic remote sensing” technology**
- **Assist the IAG & GGOS to “claim” DInSAR as a space geodetic tool...not just radar remote sensing tool... hence**
- **Interface to outside SAR community... IEEE/IGARSS, ISPRS**

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Outlook: Many Opportunities!



What may be the role of Comm4? (3/5)

🕒 “Multi-sensor systems” (SC 4.1)

- 🕒 Practical connection to high-accuracy GNSS applications
- 🕒 Reflect current trend: *Paradigm shift: static → kinematic, point → image, post-processing → real-time*
- 🕒 Data and sensor fusion → increased automation and autonomous navigation
- 🕒 Exploration of new/available “signals of opportunity”, and their integration with GNSS/IMU technology
- 🕒 Seamless navigation algorithms for indoor/outdoor navigation
- 🕒 New algorithmic approaches:
 - Knowledge-based systems, (Artificial Neural Networks, Fuzzy Logic, Fuzzy Kalman filtering, etc.) supporting indoor/personal navigation
 - Signal processing and advanced sensor error modeling
- 🕒 Direct links to ISPRS, IEEE, ION, FIG

What may be the role of Comm4? (4/5)

- ① “Engineering geodesy” (SC4.2) is small-scale counterpart to classical geodynamics... *Global Change at the local level!*
- ① Volcano monitoring, landslides, deforming structures... *geohazards/deformation that can be studied from a geodetic framework*
- ① **Interface** to outside “engineering” community, e.g. FIG & ISPRS, ...
- ① Almost universal use of GNSS in various ways ... *surveying & civil eng. see “practical geodesists” as the GNSS experts*

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Many geohazards are local!

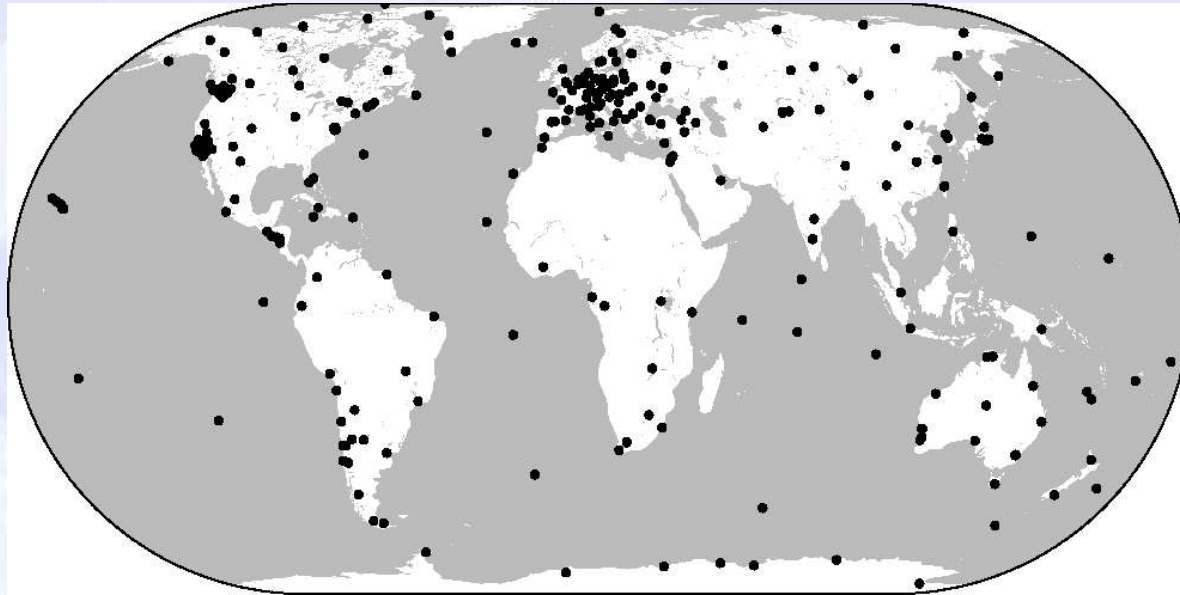


What may be the role of Comm4? (5/5)

- ① **“Practical” high-accuracy GNSS (SC4.5)**
...crucial technology
- ① GNSS is demanding of reference frame, IGS products & CORS networks... *“blurring” of distinction between geodetic GNSS networks and state/national CORS networks...hence*
- ① **Interface** to outside GNSS communities ...*FIG & ION*

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Infilling the global network with local CORSs

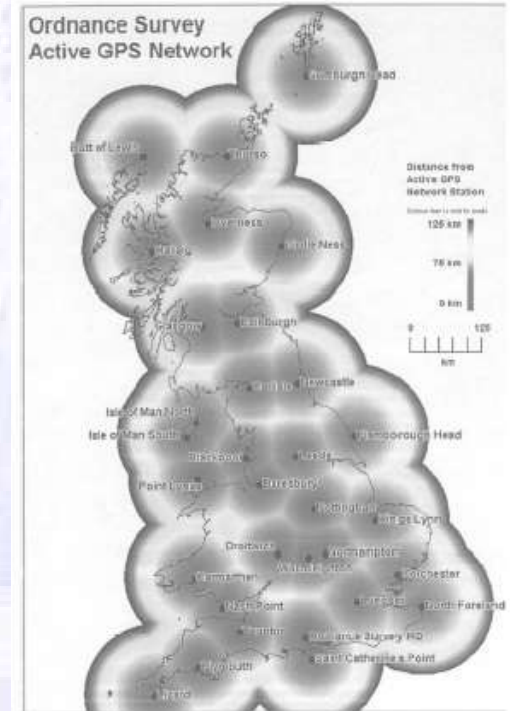


Figure 1. Distribution of Ordnance Survey's CORS's



What does Comm4 expect from GGOS?

- Recognition of special role that Comm4 could play
... we're part of the family!
- “Authority” to continue to represent the practical/
applied side of Geodesy ... *and to help “sell” GGOS to
the surveying/mapping, navigation & engineering
communities*

What can GGOS do for us?



Comments to GGOS Reference Document (1/2)

- ① 9.1 “Three pillars of Geodesy” ... *are we part of “geometry”?*
- ① 9.3.1 ... *where does DInSAR fit? (another service?) & terrestrial techniques?*
- ① 9.3.3... *why not combined VLBI tracking/processing of GNSS satellites?*

Comments to GGOS Reference Document (2/2)

⤴ No comments to Chapter 8... *seems comprehensive*

⤴ Contributions mainly have been made to Chapter 5 **“Maintaining a modern society”**:

- Navigation
- Engineering, Surveying & Mapping
- Agriculture
- Timing Applications
- Emergency Management
- Infomobility
- Water Management & Hydrology
- Ice Caps & Global Warming
- GPS Meteorology & Space Weather
- Energy Supply

Other Chapters?



Commission 4: A Summary of Activities

- ⤴ Expanded GNSS: GPS, GLONASS & GALILEO...
- ⤴ New navigation sensor technologies...
- ⤴ New (deformation) measurement technologies...
- ⤴ Increased number of SAR missions...
- ⤴ Drive to real-time processing/operations...
- ⤴ New applications in “precise navigation”, “geodetic remote sensing”, “engineering geodesy”...
- ⤴ Linkages with FIG, ION, IEEE & ISPRS...
- ⤴ ***Fully support the GGOS Project...***