

CryoLand Snow Services and Products

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Snow Products Specifications

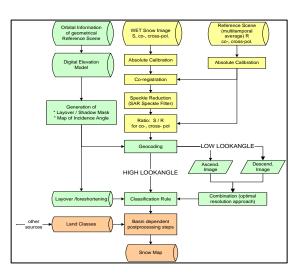


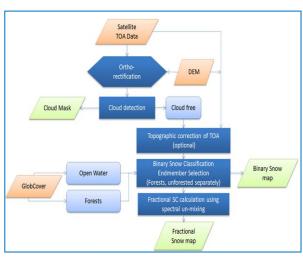
Product Type	Spatial Resolution	Temporal Coverage	Coverage	Latency Time	Implementation Priority	EO Sensors	Product Availability
Snow extent, Pan-European	500	Daily, full year	35N – 72N 11W – 50E	<1 day	1	MODIS, Sentinel S3	Operational, in near real time
Snow extent, regional	250 m – 500 m	Daily, full year	Alps, Nordic, Baltic Sea area	<1 day	1	MODIS Sentinel S1, S3	Operational, in near real time
Snow extent, local	25 – 50 m	monthly, full year	Alpine valleys, small AOIs (on request)	<1 day	1	Sentinel 2, (Landsat)	Pre-operational, in near real time
Snow Water Equivalent (Low res) Pan- European	10 – 25 km	Daily, dry snow season	35N – 72N 11W – 50E	<2 days	1	SSMI/S, AMSR2	Operational, in near real time
Melting snow area	100 m	Daily, Spring/Summ er/Fall/Winter	Regional, local	<1 day	2	ASAR (archived), Radarsat-2 Sentinel S1	Operational, in near real time (Scandinavia)
Statistical snow Information	HRU / basin	Daily	Local	<1 day	2		Operational for predefined hydrological basins, in near real time
Snow Surface Wetness	1000 m	Daily	Regional	<1 day	3	MODIS, Sentinel S3	Pre-operational, in near real time
Snow Surface Temperature	1000 m	Daily	Regional, local	<1 day	3	MODIS, Sentinel S3	Pre-operational, in near real time

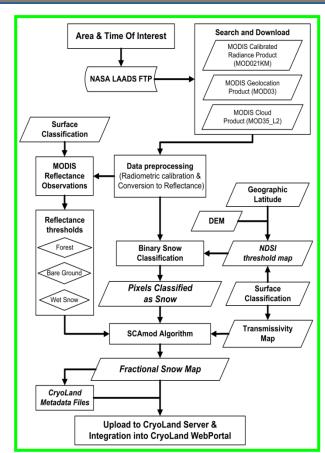
Processing chains – general remarks



- CryoLand includes a network of product processing hosts
- Processing chains have been upgraded during the project lifetime and made more robust
- Processing chains for operational products are fully automated
- Processing chains are verified with respect to performance, robustness, etc.







FSC processing chain for the Pan-European region

SCAW processing chain for the Alps





















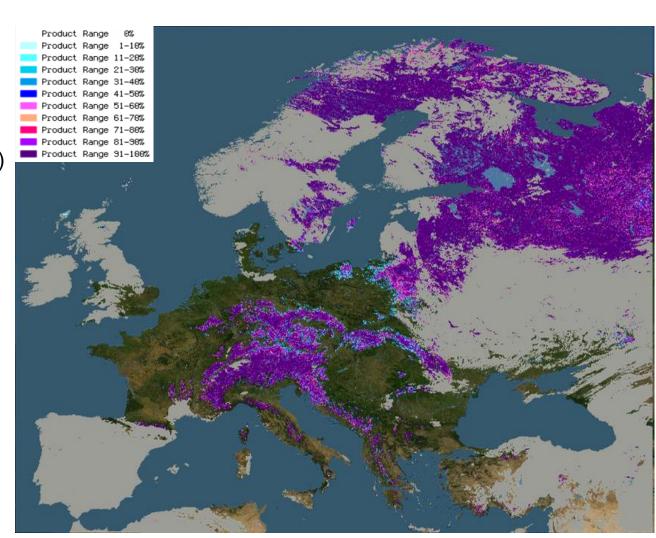
Pan-European Fractional Snow Cover Product



Product Specifications:

- Domain:72°N 11°W 35°N 50°E
- Projection: LatLon/WGS84
- Pixel size: 0.005° (ca 500 m)
- Latency: < 1 day</p>

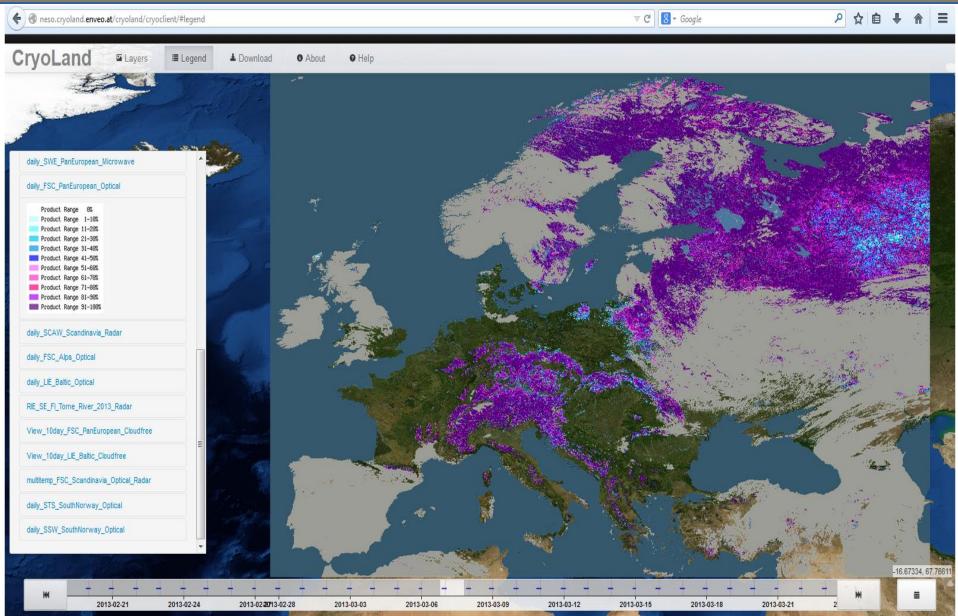
- Sensor: MODIS(Backup VIIRS, Sentinel-3)
- Uncertainty map (unbiased RMSE) provided for each daily product
- Archive of Daily Snow product from 2000-Today
- Fully Operational NRT for Winter 2013/14



CryoLand pan-European FSC product, 4/3/2013

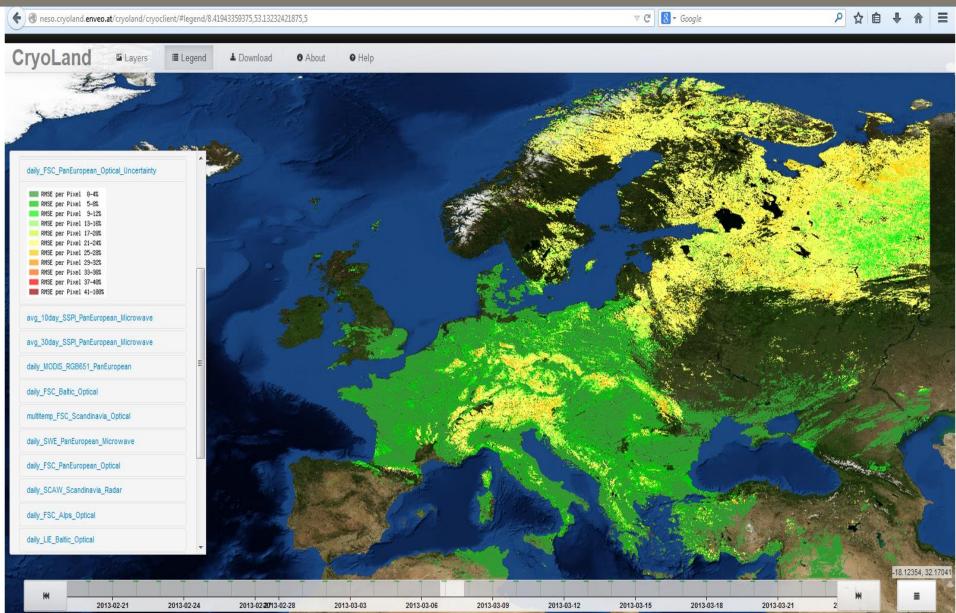
Uncertainty Map for Pan-European Fractional Snow Cover Product





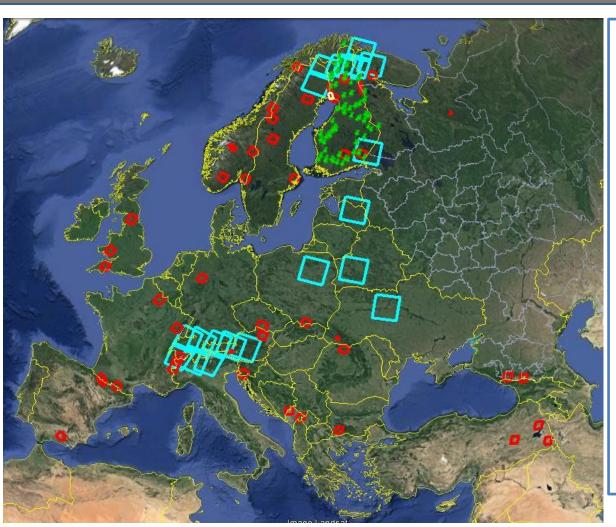
Uncertainty Map for Pan-European Fractional Snow Cover Product





Snow Extent Product Quality Assessment





Quality Assessment of Snow Extent Products is performed in different environments:

- <u>Fractional SE products</u> from high resolution optical images:
 - Very High resolution images (IKONOS, SPOT5, Quickbird, WorldView-1/-2)
 - Landsat TM/ETM+
- In-situ snow transects measured operationally by SYKE in Finland

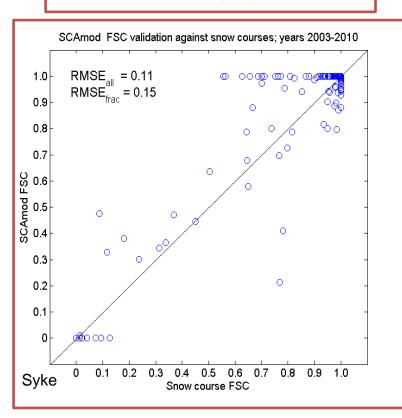
VHR Optical Images - Landsat TM/ETM+ - In-situ snow transects



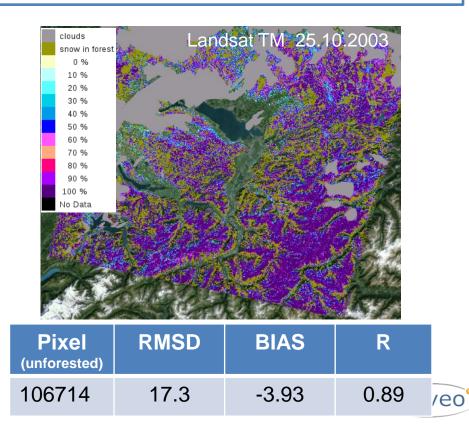
Accuracy Assessment of SE Products



Pan-European FSC versus In-situ Snow transects Finnland



High and Very High resolution Images provide detailed snow information in mountains and forests (sparse->dense) and enable the quality assessment of CryoLand SE products in these areas.



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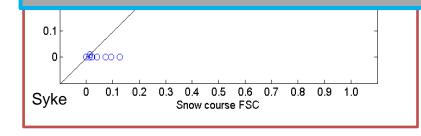


Pan-European FSC

High and Very High resolution Images provide detailed snow information in

The CryoLand Pan-European Snow Product participates in the ESA funded project SNOWPEX – THE SATELLITE SNOW PRODUCTS INTERCOMPARISON AND EVALUATION EXERCISE

contributing to WMO Global Cryosphere Watch and WCRP CLiC



Pixel (unforested)	RMSD	BIAS	R					
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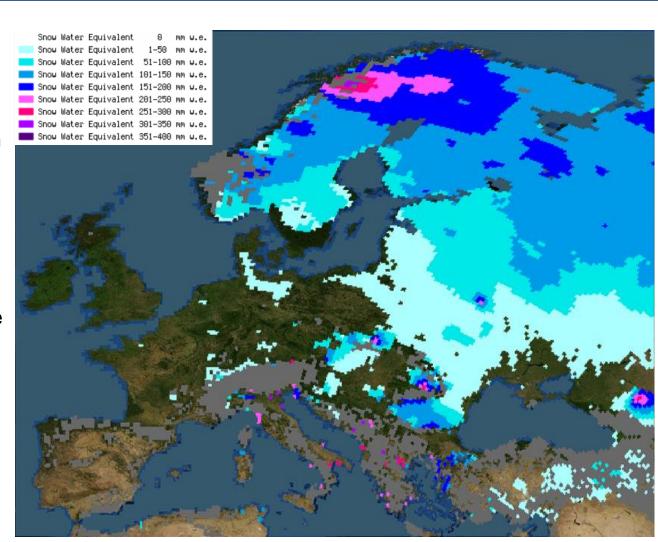
Pan-European SWE Product



Product Specifications:

- Domain:72°N 11°W 35°N 50°E
- Projection: LatLon / WGS84
- Pixel size: 0.1deg; ca 10 km
- Temporal resolution: Daily
- Latency: < 2 days</p>

- SWE products from previous periods have still a smaller extent, but will be updated gradually
- Algorithm based on H-SAF and GlobSnow, new processing and data delivery
- Based on passive microwave observations and ECMWF weather station data



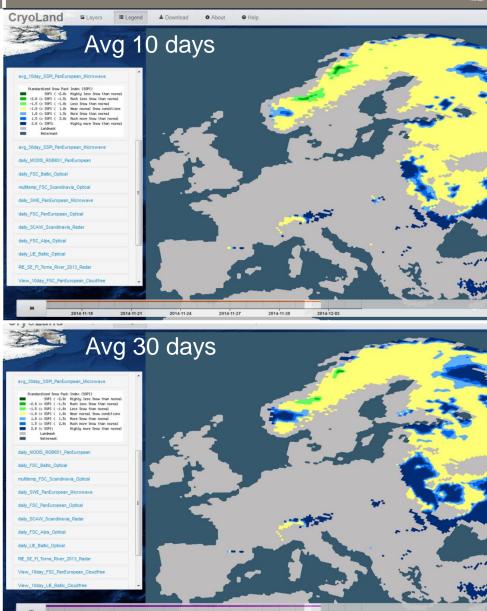
CryoLand pan-European SWE product, 4/3/2013

Standardized SnowPack Indicator (SSPI) - derived from Pan-European SWE Product

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- Projection: LatLon / WGS84
- Pixel size: 0.1deg; ca 10 km
- Temporal resolution: Daily
- Latency: < 2 days</p>

- information on the relative volume of the snow pack on a 10 daily and 30 daily (monthly) basis compared to the reference period 1979 – 2010
- standardized values between -3 and 3 calculated from time series of daily snow water equivalent in mm of water (=kg/m² of snow)
- Product based on H-SAF and GlobSnow



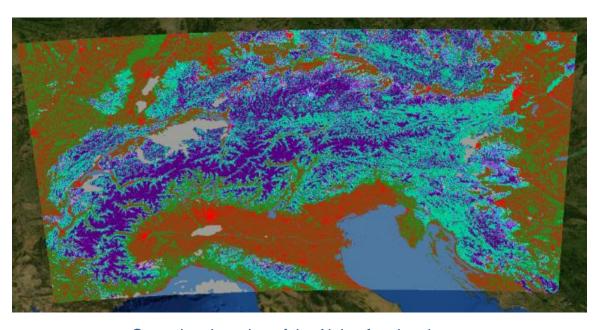
Regional FSC product for the Alps



Product Specifications:

- Domain:Full Alpine ridge and lowlands
- Projection: LatLon / WGS84, or as requested by users
- Pixel size: 0.0025 deg; ca 250 m
- Temporal resolution: Daily
- Latency: < 1 day</p>

- Sensor: MODIS (Backup VIIRS, Sentinel-3)
- Archive of Daily Snow
 product from 1 October 2012 Present
- Fully Operational NRT for Winter 2013/14



Operational version of the Alpine fractional snow cover map from Terra MODIS data of 4 March 2013

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Product Range 0%
Product Range 1-10%
Product Range 11-20%
Product Range 21-30%
Product Range 31-40%
Product Range 41-50%
Product Range 51-60%
Product Range 61-70%
Product Range 71-80%
Product Range 81-90%
Product Range 91-100%
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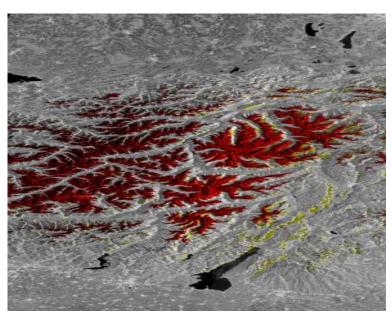


Wet Snow Covered Area for the Alps



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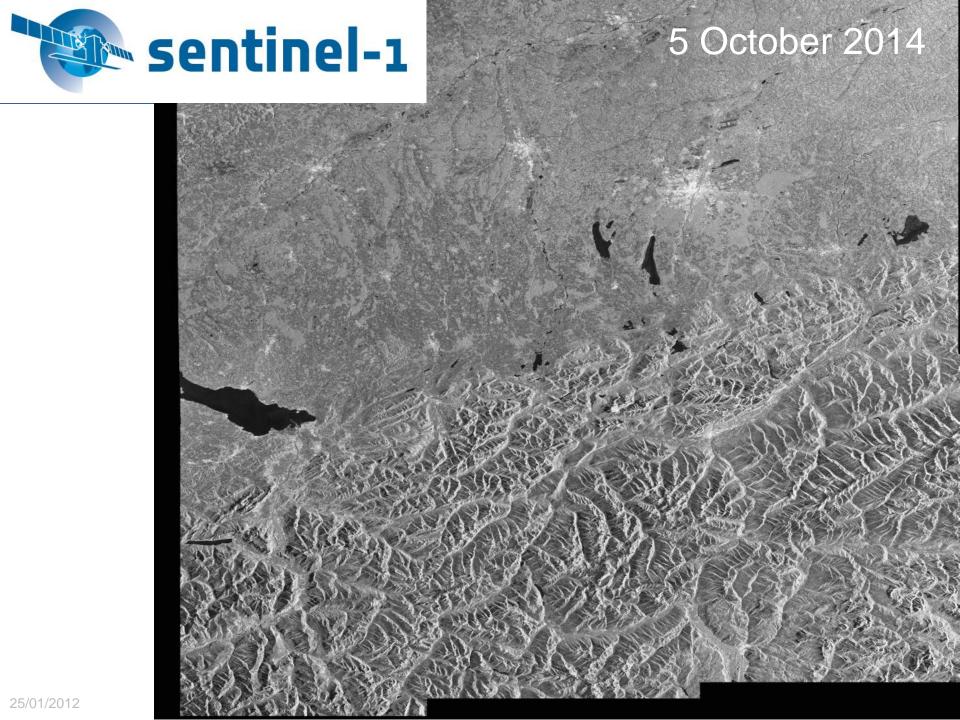
- Domain: Full Alpine ridge and lowlands
- Projection: LatLon / WGS84, or as requested by users
- − Pixel size: 0.001 − 0.002 deg; ca 100 m − 200 m
- Temporal resolution: Weekly (could be improved to 2 3 times / week depending on Sentinel-1 data availability
- Latency: < 1 day</p>



Product example of wet snow extent in the Alps from Envisat ASAR data (red: wet snow; yellow: radar shadow)

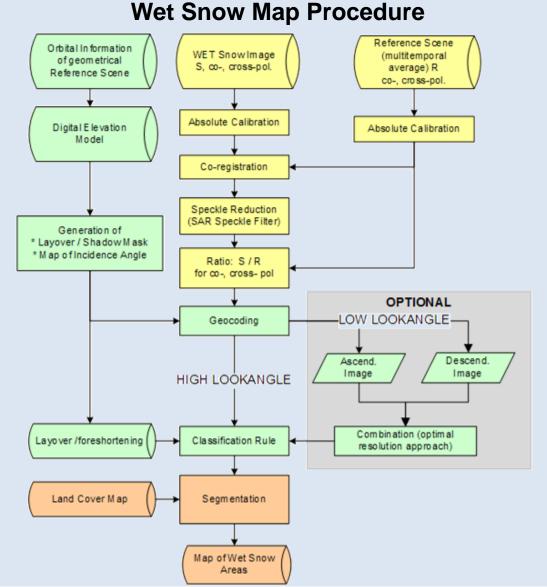
- Demonstration Snow products generated from archived Envisat ASAR data available
- Processing chain is fully implemented in ENVEO's in-house developed software
- Input data from Sentinel-1 needed to re-start operational product generation
- Start of operational wet snow service for Alpine area from Sentinel-1 data planned for melting season 2015



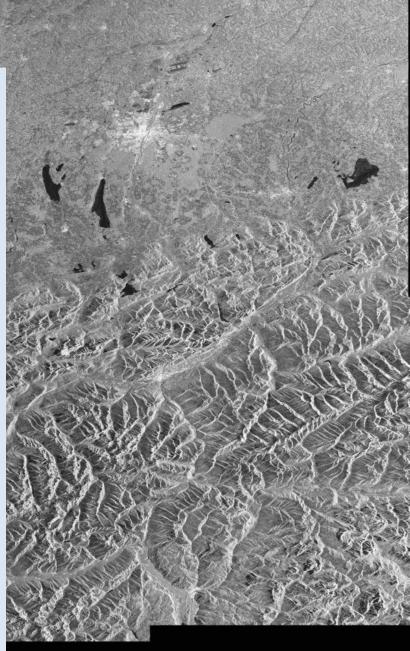




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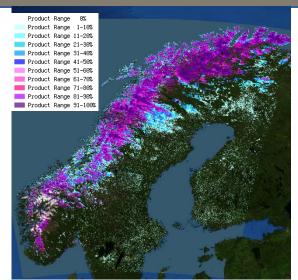


Snow Products for Baltic Sea Area and Scandinavia



Operational Snow Products:

- Daily FSC product (500 m) from optical data (MODIS) for Baltic Sea Area (SYKE)
- Multi-sensor (MODIS & SAR) / multi-temporal FSC product for Scandinavia (NORUT / KSAT)
- Wet snow covered area from SAR data for Scandinavia (Norway) (NORUT)



Regional fractional snow cover map from MODIS and Radarsat-2 of 16/5/2013

Demonstration Snow Products:

- Snow Surface Temperature (1 km) from optical satellite data (MODIS) for southern Norway (NR)
- Snow Surface Wetness (1 km) from optical satellite data (MODIS) for southern Norway (NR)

