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**Status of the EUMETSAT Satellite Programmes**

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EUMETSAT has recently received approval from its Member States for the full EUMETSAT Polar System – Second generation (EPS-SG) Programme. This system will take over the operational monitoring of atmosphere, ocean and land surface from the current Metop-satellites in the early part of the next decade. EUMETSAT currently also developing its next generation geostationary satellites, the Meteosat Third Generation satellites, with a first launch in 2019. In addition with the launch of the first Sentinel-3 satellites, EUMETSAT will provide services for the marine community from a new series of satellites developed by the European Space Agency on behalf of the European Commission. And finally, as part of international collaboration with the French Space Agency (CNES), NOAA and NASA EUMETSAT provides data and products from the Jason-satellite series.

This presentation will give an overview of the status of the current EUMETSAT satellite systems and the anticipated improvements with the new satellites to be launched in a not so distant future.