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# SPACE ACTIVITIES IN THE BOLIVARIAN REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA

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## 1. BACKGROUND OF SPACE ACTIVITIES IN VENEZUELA









Creación CPDI-FII (1983)

pacifico del espacio (200£) Comisión Inter-Ministerial Venezolana para el uso Comisión Presidencial Ciencias y Tectología Creación Ministerio

Venezolano (2006-07) Cooperación Bilateral China-Uruguay-India Centro Espacial

2008

anzamiento VeneSat-1 \*Lanzamiento VRSS-1 Satélite Miranda

2012

Ensamblaje, Integración y Verificación de Pequeños 'Centro de Diseño, Satélites

2013

1973

Cartografía - Astrofísica (1969-7 i)

general del espacio (1967)

Suscripción del tratado

1999





# 2. BOLIVARIAN AGENCY FOR SPACE ACTIVITIES (ABAE)

- Created by law in August 9th 2007 by the National Assembly. The creation law was officially published in October 25th 2007 in the GO № 38.796.
- Operations started from January 01st 2008.
- Is a public institution attached to the Ministry of Popular Power for Higher Education, Science and Technology.
- It is the national institution in charge of running space activities at the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.
- Current national space programs: VENESAT-1 (telecom), VRSS-1 (EO), Research and Development Center for Small Satellites, VRSS-2 (EO).



## 3. NATIONAL SPACE PROGRAMS

# a) VENESAT-1 PROGRAM (SIMÓN BOLÍVAR SATELLITE)

TECHNICAL FEATURES OF VENESAT-1 SATELLITE	
WEIGHT	5100 KG
PLATFORM	DFH-4
ORBIT POSITION	78° WEST
TRANSPONDERS	14 in band C/12 in band Ku/ 2 In band Ka
TYPE	GEOSTACTIONARY
POWER	6100 WATT
STABILIZATION	3 AXES



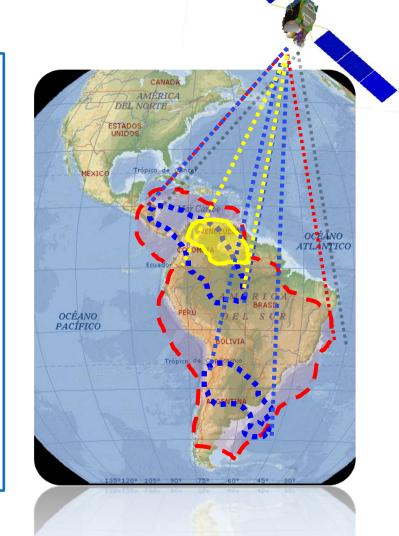


**VENESAT-1: SPACE SEGMENT** 

•C BAND: VENEZUELA, CUBA, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, HAITI, JAMAICA, CENTER AMERICA WITHOUT MEXICO, SOUTH AMERICA WITHOUT THE SOUTHEST PART OF CHILE AND ARGENTINE.

•Ku BAND: VENEZUELA, HAITI, CUBA, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, BOLIVIA, PARAGUAY AND URUGUAY.

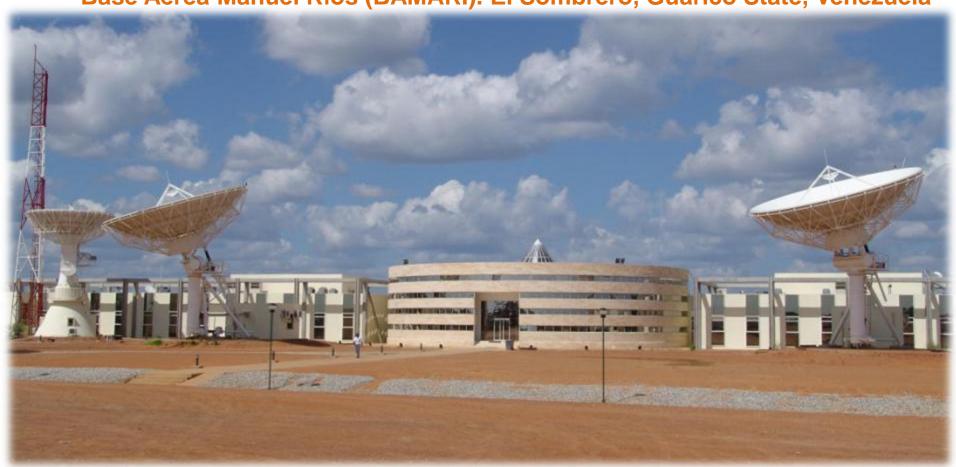
•Ka BAND: VENEZUELA.





### **VENESAT-1 GROUND SEGMENT: MAIN STATION**

Base Aérea Manuel Ríos (BAMARI). El Sombrero, Guárico State, Venezuela







#### **VENESAT-1: CAPACITY BUILDING**

Highly qualified education/national needs TECHNOLOGICAL INDEPENDANCE

Strengthening technical capacity

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30 doctor candidates

60 operators

Education I, R & D

Technical Management

Operation and maintenance of the VENESAT-1 Satellite



### March 2006





December 2007

## September / October 2008

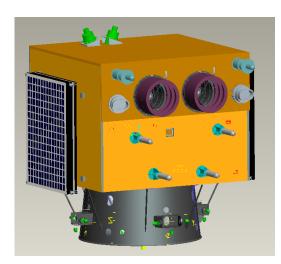






# b) VRSS-1 PROGRAM (MIRANDA SATELLITE)

TECHNICAL FEATURES OF VRSS-1 SATELLITE	
WEIGHT	880 KG
SIZE	1,53 × 1,65 × 1,87 M
ORBIT	SUN SYNCHRONOUS ORBIT (SSO)
HEIGHT	639,54 KM
LTDN (LOCAL TIME DESCENDING NODE)	10:30
PERIOD (DAYS)	57
REVISIT TIME (DAYS)	4



VRSS-1 PRE-LAUNCH CONFIGURATION





#### **House planning**

Urban and rural areas Municipal Management - Cadastre

#### **Disaster management**

Land slides, floods Drought, Desertification Fires

Productive systems
Basic information
Health

# Miranda Satellite (VRSS-1 Program)

#### **Security and defense**

Illegal mining
Humanitarian help
Border surveillance
Control of illegal crops

#### Natural resource management

Biodiversity

Maritime and coastal areas

Up to date, there are 209.705 cataloged images





# Miranda Satellite (VRSS-1 Program)

# GROUND CONTROL FACILITIES LOCATED IN VENEZUELA



#### **TRAINING OF 54 PROFESSIONALS**



The satellite is fully operated by local professionals, using the ground segment built in Venezuela for satellite control and applications









Images of Miranda Satellite (VRSS-1 Program)



# c) CENTER FOR SPACE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT



- •Design, assembly, integration and verification of small satellites (≤1000kg)
- Earth observation and Scientific Missions
- •To promote scientific networks integrated into the space sector, allowing research in strategic areas such as material science, electronics, chemistry, computer science, among others

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# **CENTER FOR SPACE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT**

# ASSEMBLY, INTEGRATION AND TEST FACILITITES (AITC):

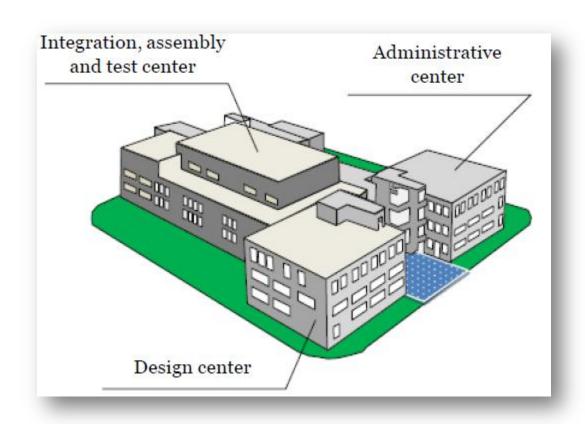
- · Electromagnetic compatibility
- Checkout test
- Space environmental simulation
- Acoustic test
- Leakage detection
- Alignment test
- Mass properties

#### **DESIGN FACILITIES (DC):**

- System design
- Telemetry, tracking and command
- Attitude and orbit control subsystem
- Electric power subsystem
- Onboard data handling subsystem
- Propulsion subsystem
- Thermal control subsystem

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE FACILITIES**

Administrative activities





# d) VRSS-2 PROGRAM (SUCRE SATELLITE)



On **October 05th, 2014** was signed between Venezuela and China a new agreement to design and manufacture the **VRSS-2 satellite**, using the existing facilities in Venezuela for assembling, integration and testing of satellites up to 1 Ton. VRSS-2 will have 1 m resolution. It will be launch in 2017, before the End of Life (EOL) of VRSS-1 satellite.



e) HUMAN TRAINING



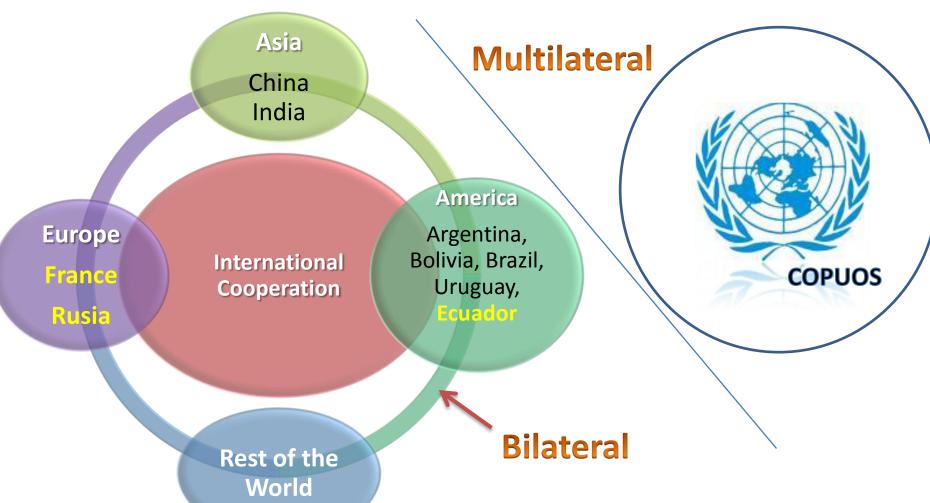






## 4. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

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NOTE: the countries in yellow are space agreements under negotiations.



### 5. FINAL CONSIDERATIONS. LTS (Ref. A/AC.105/2014/CRP.16)

- The role of States on decision-making processes.
- Inclusion of developing countries in research and development activities aimed to enhance and promote the LTS of space activities.
- General capacity building for developing countries in areas such as space weather modeling, debris monitoring, conjunction assessment, and data on space objects, including transfer of technology and management methodologies and techniques.
- Commitment to the International Space Law.
- Use of Outer Space for the benefit of mankind. Equitable and rational use of GEO.





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