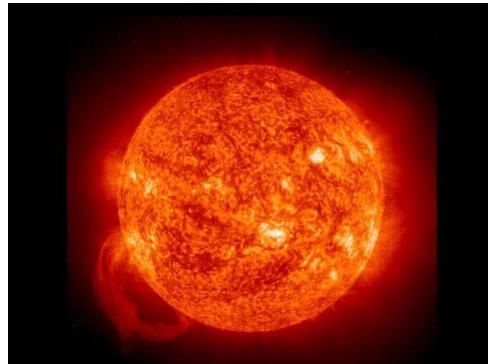


# The Science Programme

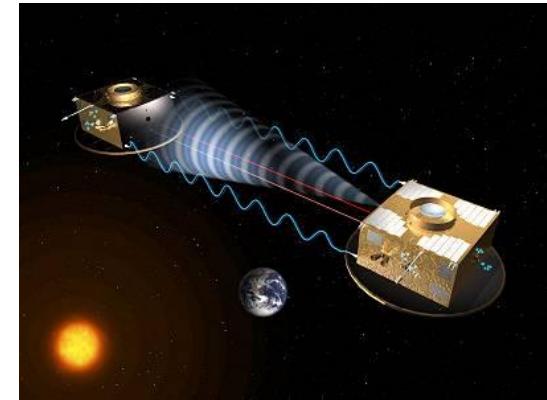
# Main subjects:



**Solar System**  
**Sun**  
**Planets**



**Astrophysics**  
**Galactic**  
**Extragalactic**



**Fundamental physics**

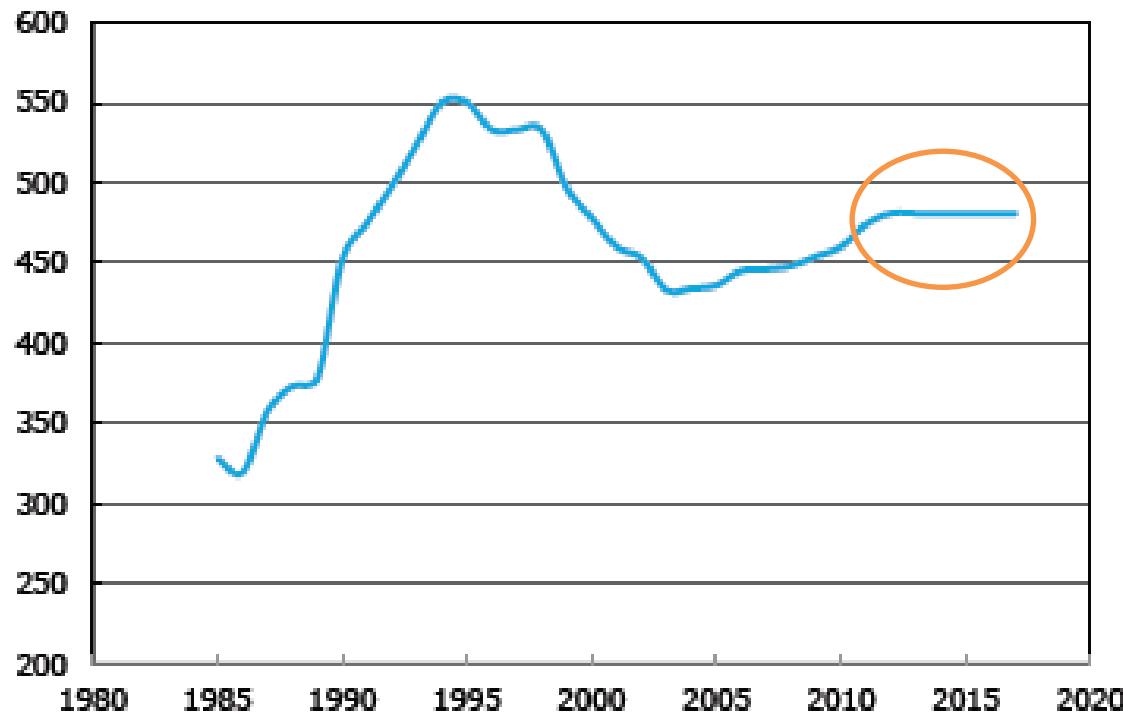
- ✓ Mandatory Programme
- ✓ Contributions according to relative GNP
- ✓ “Backbone” of ESA = provides stability
  - world-class science
  - cutting-edge technologies and innovation
- The balance between creativity and feasibility is provided by technological progress*
- ✓ Driven by the scientific community:  
calls, competition, peer review
- ✓ Payload is funded by national programmes (for us: PRODEX)
- ✓ Shows what Europe can do together in science and technology
- ✓ Provides a framework for additional national programmes

# Types of missions and calls

	<b>one every</b>	<b>cost</b>	<b>dev. time</b>	<b>techno</b>	<b>intern. coop.</b>
L	7 y	$\approx 2$ LoR $\approx 900$ M	15 y	challenging	$\leq 20\%$
M	3 y	$\approx 1$ LoR $\approx 500$ M	11 y	limited	any
S	4 y	$\leq 50$ M ESA 150 M total	4 y	no risks	national agencies
MoO (no call)	5 y	$\approx 100$ M			any

Target = 1 launch/year

# Evolution of the budget (*Level of Resources*)



Proposal for 2013-2017:

constant purchasing power at the 2012 level = 481 MEUR/year

# Missions in operation

Name	Science	Launch	Cooperation	BE payload participation
HST	Vis+UV astronomy	1990	<u>NASA</u>	
SOHO	solar physics	1995	NASA	X
CASSINI-Huygens	Saturn, Titan	1997	<u>NASA</u>	
XMM	X-ray astronomy	1999		X
CLUSTER	Earth magnetosphere	2000		X
INTEGRAL	$\gamma$ -ray astronomy	2002		X
MARS-EXPRESS	Mars orbital science	2003		X
ROSETTA	cometary science	2004		X
VENUS-EXPRESS	Venus orbital science	2005		X
HINODE	solar physics	2006	<u>JAXA</u>	
COROT	exoplanets, asteroseismology	2006	<u>CNES</u>	X
HERSCHEL	infrared astronomy	2009		X
PLANCK	cosmology	2009		
PROBA-2	solar physics, space weather	2009		X

# Missions in development

Name	Science	Launch	Cooperation	BE payload participation
GAIA	astronomy	2013		X
LISA-Pathfinder	gravitational waves	2014		
ASTRO-H	X-ray astronomy	2014	<u>JAXA</u>	
BEPPI COLOMBO	Mercury orbital science	2015	JAXA	X
MICROSCOPE	equivalence principle	2016	<u>CNES</u>	
SOLAR ORBITER (M1)	solar physics	2017	NASA	X
JWST	infrared astronomy	2018	<u>NASA</u> , CSA	X
EUCLID (M2)	cosmology	2020	NASA	(X)
JUICE (L1)	Jupiter and moons	2022	(Roscosmos)	(X)

# M-missions still in competition (M3)

Name	Science	Launch	Cooperation	BE payload participation
ECHO	exoplanets	2024	TBD	(X)
LOFT	X-ray astronomy	2024	TBD	
MARCOPOLO-R	asteroid sample return	2024	TBD	
PLATO	exoplanets, asteroseismology	2024	TBD	X
STE-QUEST	fundamental physics	2024	TBD	

phases A ongoing  
selection of one mission planned for 6/2013

# S-missions still in competition (S1)

26 proposed missions (5 with Belgian participation)  
evaluation ongoing  
selection of one mission planned for 11/2012

# Missions of Opportunity (still to be approved)

Name	Science	Launch	Cooperation	BE payload participation
EXOMARS	Mars orbital/in-situ science	2016/2018	<u>ESA/Exomars</u>	X
KUAFU	solar physics, space weather	2017	<u>China</u>	(X)
SPICA	infrared astronomy	2020-2022	<u>JAXA</u>	X

EXOMARS and KUAFU : decision planned for 11/2012

SPICA: decision expected in Japan by mid-2013 and in ESA in 11/2013

## Next calls:

- L2/L3: survey in 2013 to determine the science themes
- M-call (M4) : 2014
- S-call (S2) : 2015

# Questions?



