

Aladin and the planets

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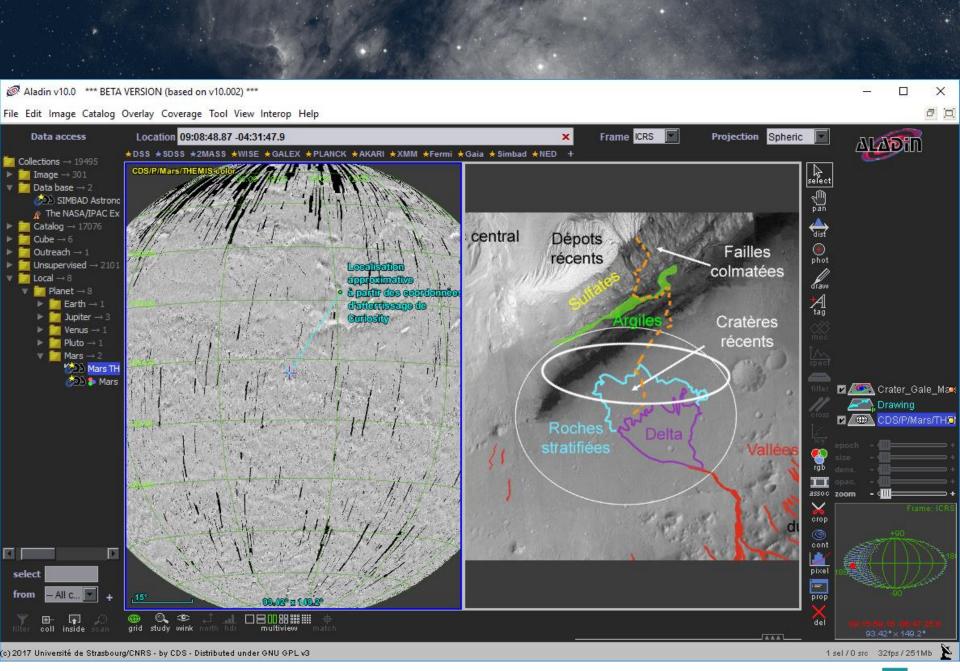




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Why in Aladin?

- Aladin sky facilities easily re-usable for planets (background map + graphical overlays) => as a regular GIS (Geographic Information System)
- HiPS is dedicated to spherical maps... and a planet is spheric (better than cartesian GIS tool projection)
- Europlanet VESPA project CDS participation
- VESPA project is deploying IVOA adapted protocols (TAP EPN-CORE...)
 - => Aladin is already IVOA protocol ready
- And it works! (see live demo in a few minutes)



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What is useful for planets?

- Map display (HiPS) + graphical overlays (catalog + graphical tags)
- Data discovery tree for planetary services
- Planetary coverage by MOC
- Manual positional calibration of planetary images/cubes

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A few Aladin adaptations

- Longitude inversion (just for display)
 - The sky is visible inside the celestial sphere, contrary to the planets where the observer is outside
- Coordinate syntax
 - Decimal, sexagesimal, cardinal specification (NSEW) rather than negative values...
- EPN-core support
 - Coordinates extraction form box location
 - FOV interpretation
 - Link to additional resources

A few HiPS adaptations

- VESPA action to convert PDS images into FITS (Chiara Marmo)
- Hipsgen extensions:
 - Able to process one file colored CAR map + optional 2 pole images (without additionnal WCS solution)
 - Usage of « ImageMagik » to prepare (split) huge TIFF maps
- The results:
 - Generation of ~50 HiPS for all planets and satellites at the best public resolution (ex:THEMIS mars 100m/pixel). Thanks to USGS Astrogeology Science Center, University of Arizona, JPL.
 - Distributed in the HiPS network by CDS HiPS nodes & Paris Observatory HiPS node

□ The live demo...

Please do not load the net for the next 5 minutes...thanks

Download Mars CAR map
Generate HiPS
Display in Aladin
TAP-EPNcore query for Mars craters
Generation of MOC for these craters
Query by this MOC



What is still missing?

- Reference system label associated to the body/sky
 - To avoid to project stars over the Moon, or Mars craters in the sky...
 - To use in HiPS properties, in STC, in COOSYS, in MOC, ...
- Data tree categories for planetary data
 - Not so easy to separate planets resources and sky resources
- IVOA Datalink in EPN-core (presently an Earth GIS XML convention not usable by Aladin, and probably not so well adapted to planetary context)
- EPN-core 2
 - lon, lat dedicated columns (not a box/cube please)

Available in Aladin Beta

http://aladin.u-strasbg.fr/java/AladinBeta.jnlp

Thanks – Question?