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LAPLACE

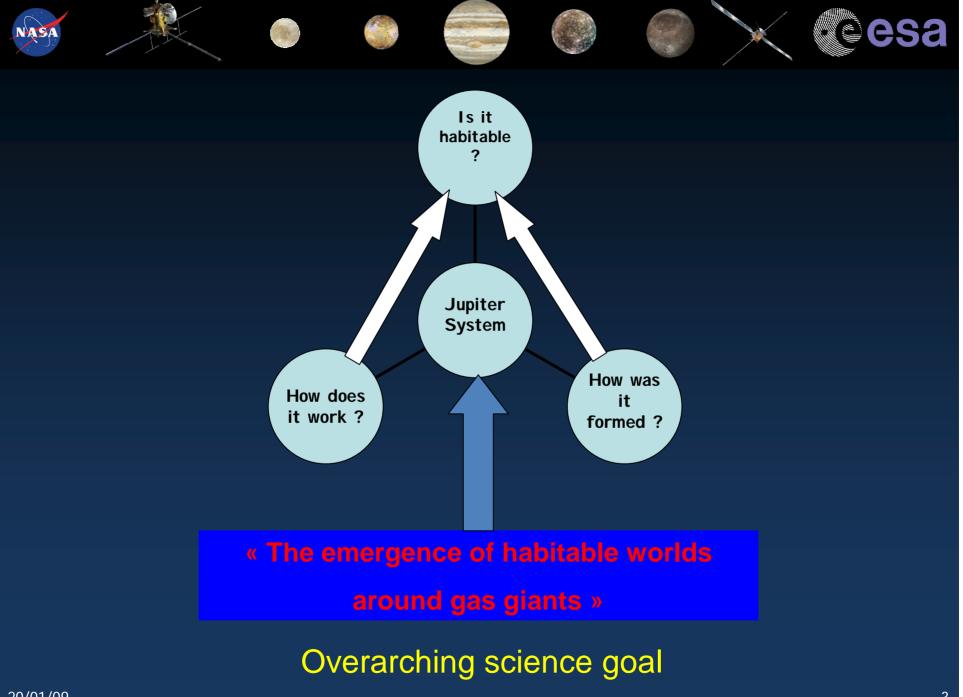
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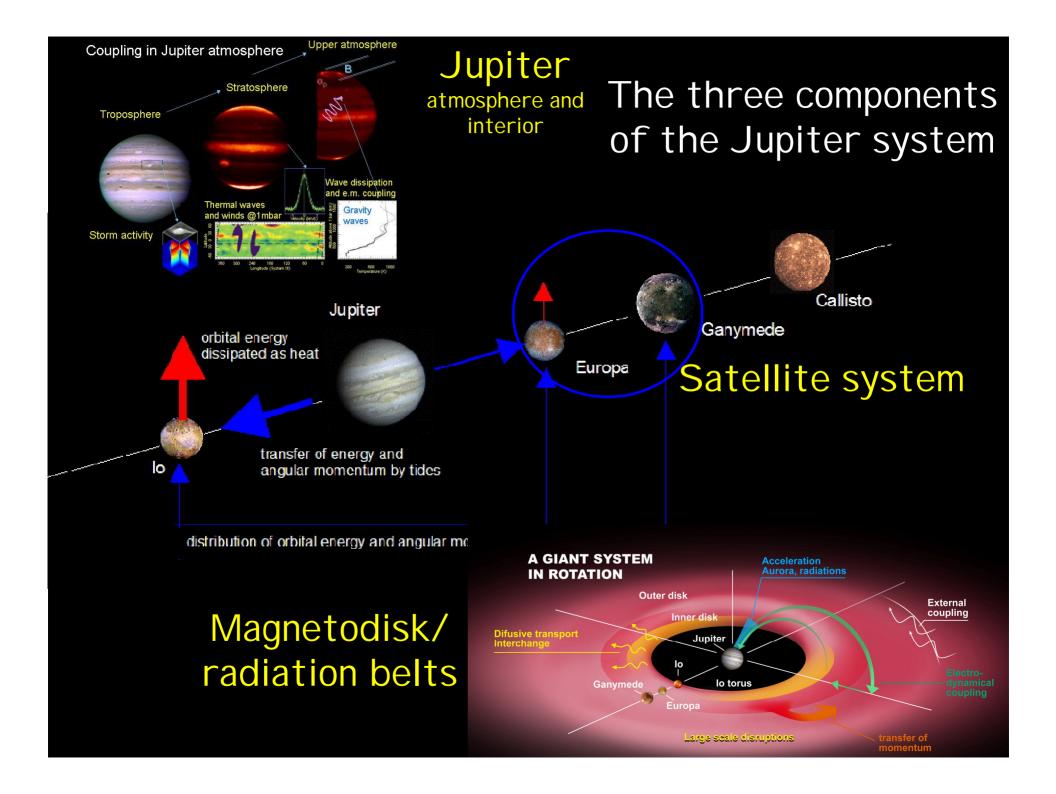


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# The Galilean satellite system: focus of the Jupiter System

#### **ORBITERS**

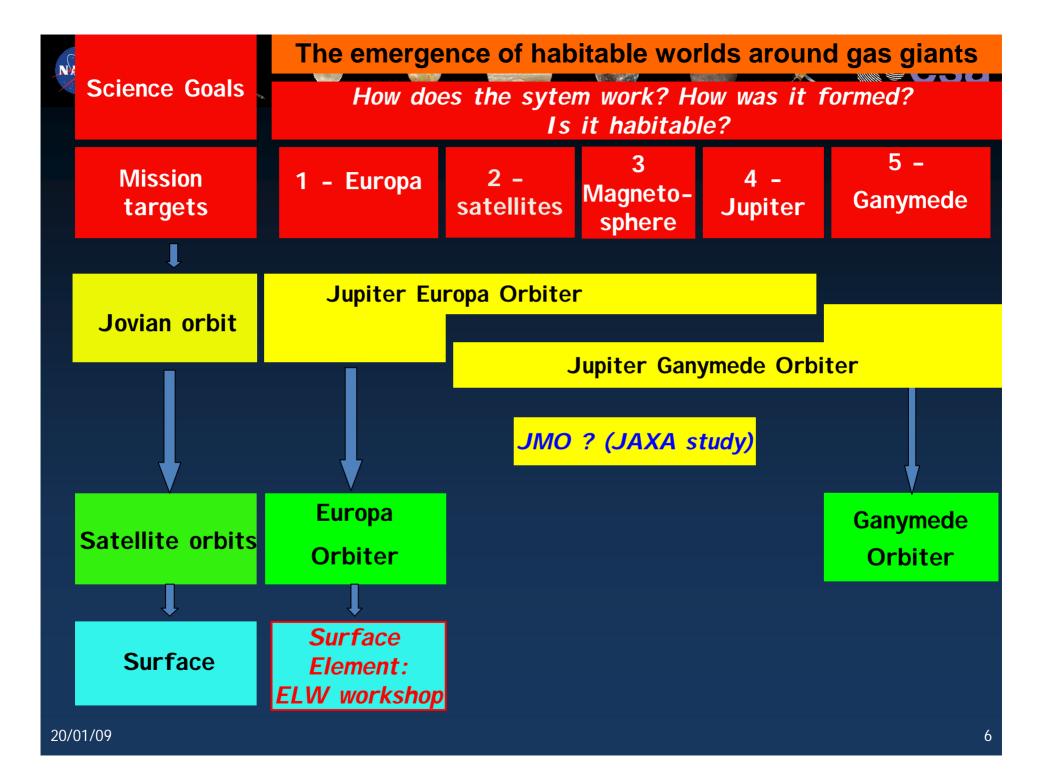
In-depth comparative science

**MULTIPLE** 

FLY-BY's

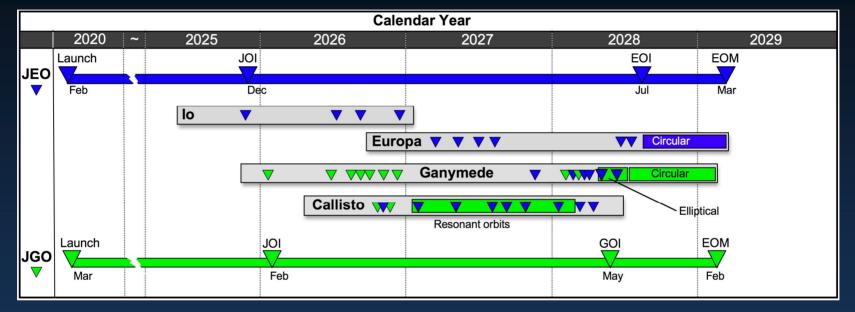
#### MULTIPLE FLY-BY's

# Ganymede Callisto **Europa** Io JGO **JEO**





# **EJSM Mission profile**

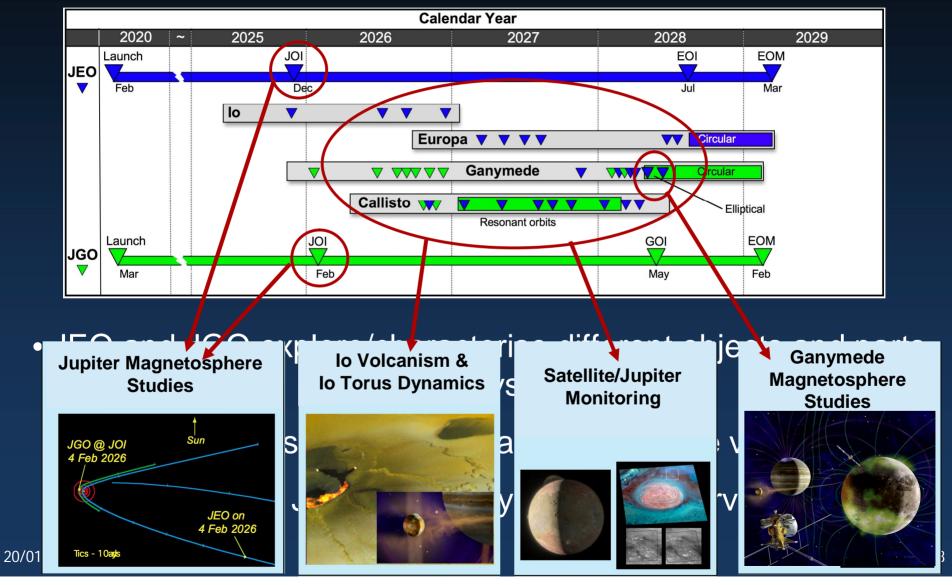


- JEO and JGO explore/characterise different objects and parts of the system
  - Comparative science (Europa vs Ganymede vs Callisto)
    - JGO and JEO perform synergistic observations

# **EJSM** synergistic observations

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## Explore Europa and Ganymede to Investigate Habitability in the Jupiter system



## Objectives:

- Presence and extent of a subsurface ocean
- Ice shell and subsurface water
- Deep internal structure, dynamo, magnetic field
- Surface/exosphere/magnetosphere coupling
- Surface composition and chemistry
- Surface features, tectonic processes
- Thermal evolution, geology, Laplace resonance

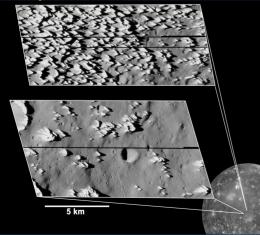
# Callisto, the Galilean satellite outside the Laplace resonance

### A witness of the Early Ages ?

Crater Distribution and Morphology



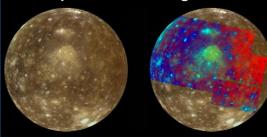
#### Knobby terrain: Erosion Processes

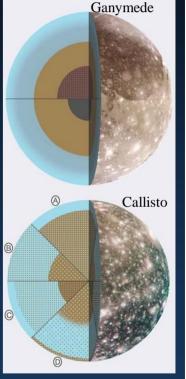


- Presence and extent of a subsurface ocean
- Ice shell and subsurface water
- Deep internal structure, degree of differentiation
- Cratering record and early geological history
- Surface composition: hydrocarbons and CO2

 Surface degradation processes (erosion and sublimation)

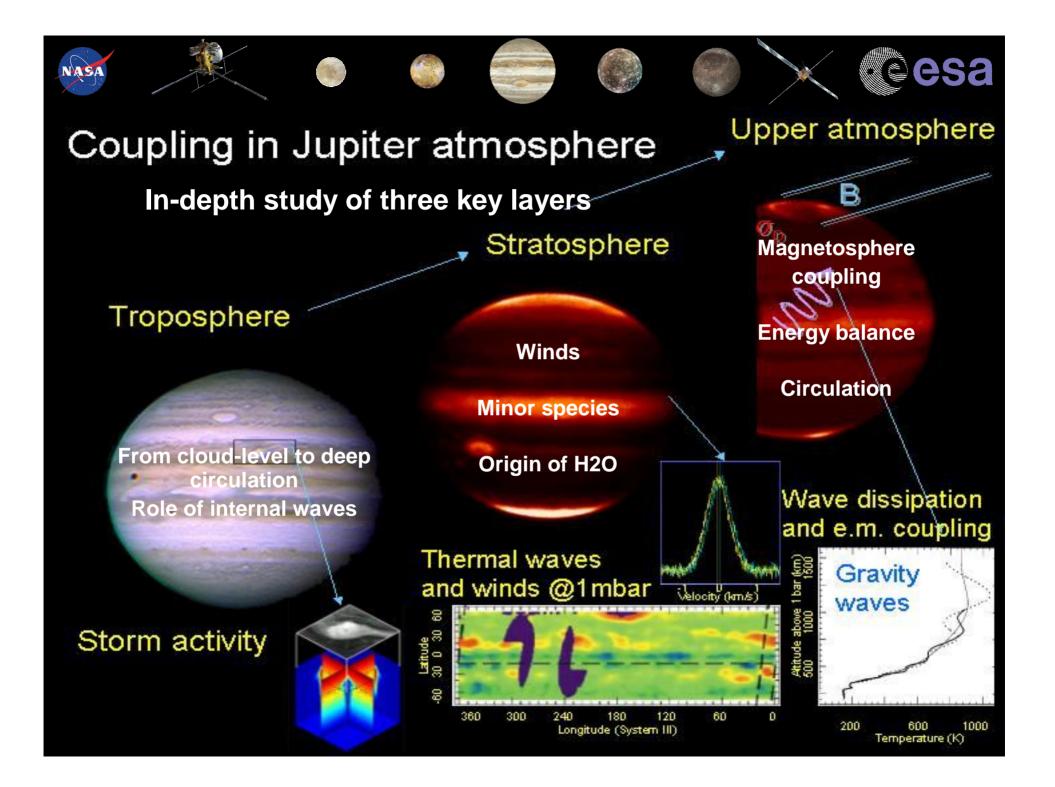
#### **Compositional Heterogeneities**

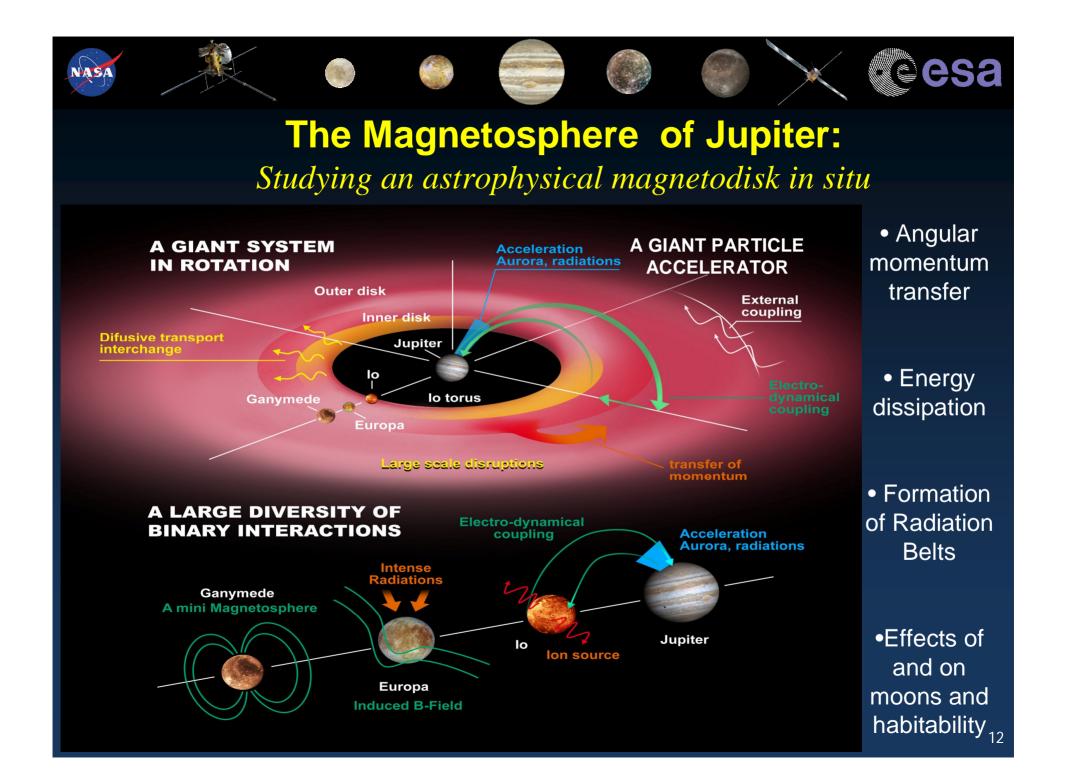




Internal differentiation: Where is Callisto ?

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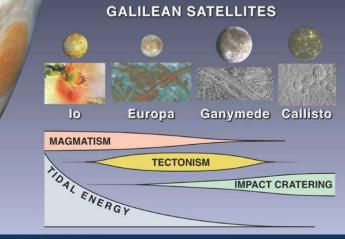




### Studying the Jovian World as a Coupled System: where JGO, JEO (and JMO?) unite

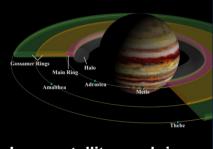
Electrodynamic coupling

Comparative geology of the Galilean Satellites



• ELECTRODYNAMIC COUPLING Studying "astrophysical" binary systems in situ





Inner satellites and rings

• CHEMICAL EVOLUTION OF THE SATELLITE SYSTEM From formation to habitability ?

#### GRAVITATIONAL COUPLING

The coupled history of the Laplace resonance, thermal evolution, differentiation and geological activity

# JGO Key Objectives

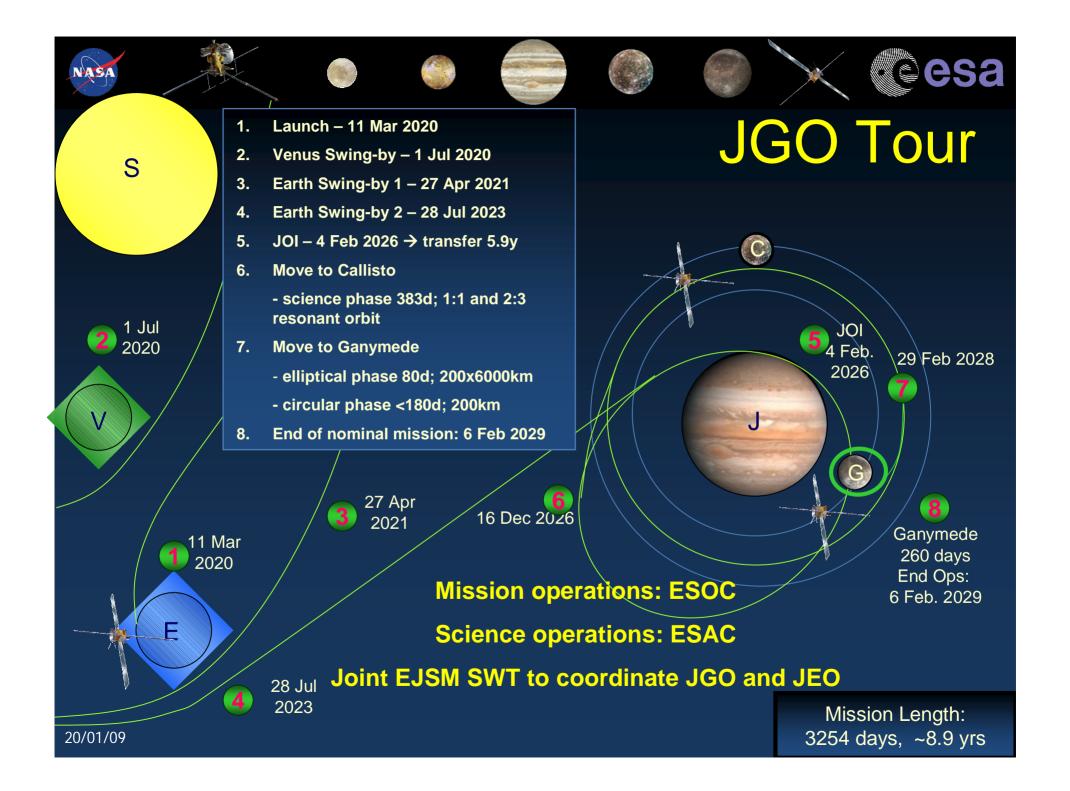
- In-depth post-Galileo exploration of the Jupiter system, synergistically with JEO
- In-depth study and full mapping of Callisto

Multiple fly-bys using a « pseudo-orbit »

#### Detailed orbital study of Ganymede

two successive dedicated moon orbits (elleptical first, then circular) Same objectives as JEO on Europa

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## JGO Model Payload (1)

73 kg core payload:

Imaging

Planetary fields and internal structure

**Atmosphere** 

Magnetosphere

- Wide Angle and Medium Resolution Camera
  V/NIR Imaging Spectrometer (high-res.)
  - EUV/FUV Imaging Spectrometer
  - Ka-band transponder
- Ultra Stable Oscillator
- Magnetometer
- Radar Sounder
- Micro Laser Altimeter
- > Thermal IR Mapper
- Sub-millimeter wave sounder
- Plasma Package







### **Reference Model Payload (2)**

Additional instruments under consideration (should be up to 30 kg) In order of priority:

- Narrow Angle Camera
- Doppler Spectro-Imager
- > INMS
- Dust Telescope
- Plasma Wave Instrument / supplementary Plasma Package
- Optical Lightning Detector
- X-ray spectrometer

#### Most are mature instruments

Few developments/innovative designs needed (italics)

Main focus in p/l design will be on: Radiation mitigation (much less severe than JEO) Planetary protection

# EJSM key expected science results (1)

- Confirmation and characterization of Europa's and Ganymede's internal water-rich oceans
- Detailed characterization of Ganymede's intrinsic and induced magnetic fields and their relationship to the external Jovian field
- Mapping and characterization of organic and other compounds on the Galilean satellites
- Global mapping of Europa and Ganymede at resolution needed to identify full array of surface features and determine global stratigraphy
- Comprehensive search for current geological activity at Europa and Ganymede
- Detailed characterization of the surface topography and icy shells of Europa and Ganymede
- Characterization of the composition and dynamics of the atmospheres and ionospheres of Europa and Ganymede
- Systematic and detailed search for future lander sites at Europa and Ganymede
- Icy satellite habitability placed in the context of integrated Jovian system science, including Callisto

# EJSM key expected science results (2)

#### JOVIAN ATMOSPHERE

- Stratospheric structure and dynamics (H2O latitudinal variations, in particular through microwave spectroscopy)
- Dynamics of ionosphere through high resolution imaging spectroscopy in H3+
- Thermal imaging inversion on JGO : choice of filter focussed on Jupiter atmosphere on JGO)
- Potential vorticity retrieval from JGO, at global scale on Jupiter from combined dynamics measurements (camera and imaging spectroscopy + thermal imaging)
- Atmospheric and ionospheric density profiles from radio occultations

#### JOVIAN MAGNETOSPHERE AND MAGNETODISK

- Untangling the processes controlling radial plasma and angular momentum transport in the Jovian magnetodisk
- Major progress in understanding particle acceleration to radiation belt energies
- Comparative description of satellite/magnetosphere interactions in a variety of configurations

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And more: a possible JAXA contribution <u>Jovian Magnetospheric Orbiter (JMO)</u> ~ for the plasma physics of the Jovian System ~

## First Complete Survey of All Space

from 6 RjIo & Io torusto50-100RjCorotation Boundary & Tail Reconnection

## First Complete Survey of Wide Time-Regime

from 'msec'electron - ion scaleto'Years'effect of Io activities / solar wind controls

## First Full-scale Coordinated Studies

Coupling oflatest IN-SITU & IMAGING techniquesCoupling withJGO & JEO = Multipoint studies

### **JMO Orbit and Operation**

### **NOMINAL orbit [TBC]** (after multiple satellite flybys)

- Apoapsis : 50 100Rj

- Periapsis : Europa or Ganymede Orbit
- Inclination : Equatorial, but some inclination for imagers?

#### (3) FINAL orbit [TBC] (as an option)

- Inclination
- Apoapsis : 50-100Rj
- Periapsis : Europa or Ganymede Orbit
  - : Highly inclination changed by Europa or Ganymede flyby (The inclination with 15-30deg might be possible.)

#### First In-situ Multi-Point Study of Jovian magnetosphere \* Study the regional coupling between

-Latitude the equatorial regions the high-latitude regions -Distance the inner / middle regions the outer magnetosphere -Different Local Times

-Solar Wind vs magnetospheric cavity

by JEO / JGO by JMO by JEO / JGO by JMO



# Conclusions

- EJSM fully merges the LAPLACE concept, in line with Cosmic Vision, with NASA's Europa Orbiter and JSO flagship mission studies:
  - In-depth dual-spacecraft exploration of the Jupiter SYSTEM, with a quantitative characterisation of each of its main components and their mutual coupling,
  - Investigation of the emergence of habitable worlds, placed in a double context: Jupiter system formation and evolution, comparison of the three ice-covered Galilean satellites
- Robust and well balanced international collaboration (ESA-NASA) with independent but coordinated operations –
- Would be enhanced by JAXA contribution

### and Russian Lander mission

• ... which EJSM/JEO will ideally prepare!

We are all dreaming of a broad international Jupiter System exploration programme just 400 years after Galileo's first discovery of that system