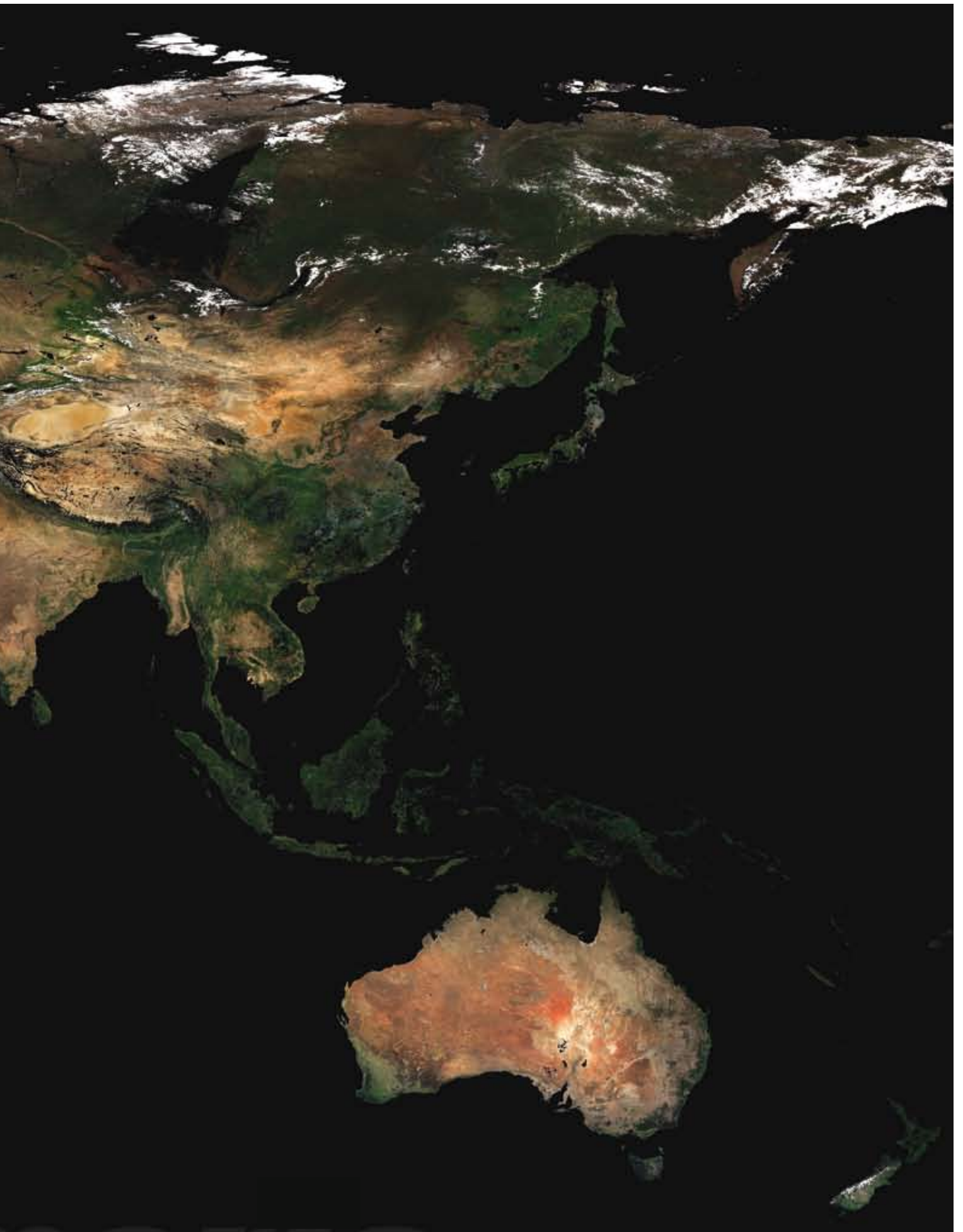




**Note:** Satellite image composite of the land surface of the Eurasian, African and Australian continents based on Envisat MERIS data from March/April 2006. An international network of partners is working with the European Space Agency (ESA) on mapping global land-cover data, including the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the European Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC), the European Environment Agency (EEA), the International Geosphere-Biosphere Programme (IGBP) and the Global Observations of Forest Cover and Global Observations of Land Dynamics (GOFC-GOLD) Implementation Team Project Office.



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