



# International Consortium for Telemetry Spectrum



## ICTS REGION I REPORT

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# Agenda



- L , S & C-Band in Europe, **AMT and Common Allocations**
- „Licenced Shared Access“(LSA) *and* „Licensed Assisted Access“(LAA)-LTE, **a threat potential ?**
- Industry 4.0 „Smart Manufacturing“ and M2M, **a future threat ?**
- WRC-19 Action Items, issues impacting AMT
- **Conclusions**



# Frequency Spectrum Stewardship

for Aeronautical Mobile Telemetry (AMT)



- Provide an independent assessment of ITU-Region 1 issues & positions that could impact AMT capabilities, in preparation of the WRC-19.
- Sources of information (meetings & reports) from:
  - CEPT**, *European Conference of Postal & Telecommunications*
  - RCC**, *Regional Commonwealth in Communications*
  - ASMG**, *Arab Spectrum Management Group*
  - ATU**, *African Telecommunication Union*
- **ITU(R)** Preparation Process for WRC-19, conferences & meetings:  
Reports from Study Groups, Joint Task Groups, Working Parties



# AMT: L-Band in Europe



- AMT L-band **still used** despite of CEPT / ERC Rec. 62-02E (1997) ,as a consequence of the WRC-95 allocations to the Satellite - DAB service in that band:

Russian Federation & Allies                      1429 – 1535 MHz

France    1427 – 1429 MHz

Switzerland    1429 - 1445 MHz

Spain &UK    1427 – 1452 MHz

- Res.223 (Rev.WRC-15): 1427-1452 MHz, 1492-1518 MHz identified for IMT worldwide;  
1452-1492 MHz in Region 2+3; in Region 1 in some African and Middle-East countries, only : **not supported by CEPT.**
- RR Article 5 footnotes included to protect AMT ops



# AMT: S- & C Band in Europe



- **S-band for AMT (CEPT/ERC Rec.62-02E)**
  - **Core band** **2300 – 2330 MHz**
  - **Extension band** **2330 – 2400 MHz**
- **Some countries still use parts of 2025 - 2300 MHz !!**
- **WRC-07 C-band global** **5091 – 5150 MHz**
  - Region 1** **5150 – 5250 MHz**

*That is the only real harmonized AMT band in Europe !*



# 2300-2400 MHz

## European Common Allocations



- Amateur Radio Service 2320 – 2450 MHz
- **Aeronautical Mobile Telemetry 2300 – 2400 MHz**
- **BWS – Usage (BWA, LTE / WiMAX) 2300 – 2400 MHz**
- Medical Implants (LP-AMI) 2360 – 2400 MHz
- Medical Telemetry (MBANS) 2360 – 2400 MHz
- Short Range Dev. (SRD, Ind.+ UWB) 2360 – 2400 MHz
- **Video Links (PMSE SAP / SAB) 2320 – 2400 MHz**

**Results of a questionnaire to CEPT Admins „Current & Future Usage 2300 – 2400 MHz“** ECC FM(12)017:

**Current use: PMSE applications (27 countries)**

**Future use: IMT (incl. LTE or WiMAX), BWA (16 countries)**



# 5091-5250 MHz

## European Common Allocations



- **Aer. Mobile (Route) Service** 5091 – 5250 MHz
- **Aero Mobile Telemetry** **5091 – 5250 MHz**
- **Fixed Sat. Service (uplink)** 5091 – 5250 MHz
- **Aero Radio Navation Service** 5091 – 5150 MHz
- **WLAN (indoor)** **5150 – 5250 MHz**
- **Public Mobile Service** 5150 – 5250 MHz



# European C-band introduction



- **Austria:** Payload tests for border surveillance
- **France:** Airbus to test AB 350 et al.  
**Spain** may be later part of the Airbus network.
- **Germany:** DLR and Fraunhofer doing operational tests, Airbus-Eurocopter in planning status, ops. expected from 2017 on.
- **The Netherlands:** NRL, systems procured.
- **Sweden & Norway:** VIDSEL Range: procurement C-band tracking station in process, test flights concluded. Andoya Range in introduction process.
- **Switzerland:** Armasuisse in planning status for 2017-2020.
- **UK:** BAES and Qinetiq in planning status for 2017 onward.





## C- Band test activities



- **Airbus Toulouse** regular FT with 10 Mbps 10W onboard with C-band gnd network, now with OFDM Transmitter.
- **Airbus Defense and Space** prepared FT C-band vs. S-band, with small aircraft and Tornado.
- **Airbus Helicopters** did successful evaluation flights, using a Zodiac test system (5W, COFDM).
- **Vidse Range** in Sweden did flight tests S-band vs. C-band (with Helicopter), inclusive interference studies from their C-band Radar.



# Licensed Shared Access (LSA) Threat for the AMT S-Band ?



- **LSA** is seen as enabler to release additional spectrum for **Mobile Broadband Services**, sharing with incumbents, on a secondary basis **assessing protection of existing services**.
- Concept put forward by the „Radio Spectrum Policy Group“ (RSPG), supported by **DIGTALEUROPE**.
- **ECC Report 172:** „**Sharing with incumbent services as secondary service *feasible***, by proper mitigation techniques“ (adjacent channel ops, geographical separation, time sharing)
- **Modifications** to the final report were accepted, as recommended by the ICTS :
  - **PFD by interferers** must be not more than **-180dBm** (in any 4KHz part of the AMT signal).
  - **Availability** of transmitted **AMT data** (with high integrity) must be better than **0,995** of the test period.



# LSA final report and proposed studies by ITU(R)



- **CEPT Report Nr. 52:** describing the „*technological and regulatory options for sharing between WBB and the relevant incumbent services/applications in the 2,3 GHz band*“ was released.
- **LSA Demo & Testing** supported by **Italy**, Finland, **France**, The Netherlands and Spain (and their industrial partners) further by the **Joint Research Centre** of the **European Commission**, started from Oct. 2015 up to Jan. 2017.
- **Further work** was proposed to delegate to the **ITU(R) Study Groups:**  
WP1B: **“to develop the regulatory frame conditions for LSA implementation”**  
WP5A: **“to study the necessary mitigation techniques”**
- **With LSA issues on an ITU-level the LSA-idea is on way from a regional to a global level !!**



# Brand-new attack: LAA-LTE in AMT C - Band



- Licensed Assisted Access (LAA) idea is, that LTE cells operating in other bands synchronise secondary cells in C-band, 5150-5350 MHz (that band is presently allocated to indoor WLAN on a power level +23 dBm, only !)
- Outdoor cells can affect AMT Ops..ICTS has to monitor further intentions & studies in band **5150 -5250 MHz**, with Res. 418 (Rev.WRC-15) allowing now a global allocation for AMT in future !!



# ***LTE- Advanced*** Standard „Advanced-Pro“



**Europe:** (introduction from **2017 onward**, in planning status!)

LAA-LTE bands 5150 – 5350 MHz; 5470 – 5725 MHz

**in band 5150 – 5250 MHz: 5 channels x 20 MHz**

**The Americas:**

LTE-U bands 5150 – 5250 MHz; 5250 – 5750 MHz

**in band 5150 – 5250 MHz: 4 channels x 20 MHz**

- **Power levels:** Elevation  $0 < 30$  deg. **+ 36 dBm**  
> 30 deg. +21 dBm
- **Power flux density** + 17 dBm / MHz



# On the way to WRC-19

## Threats to AMT



- Res. COM 6/16 (WRC-15):

**Action item 1.16** **supports the LAA-initiative:**

„...inviting to perform sharing and compatibility studies WAS/RLAN applications and incumbent services in frequ.band 5150-(5250)-5350 MHz with possibility of enabling **outdoor WAS/RLAN ops** including ***possible associated conditions***“.

- Res. COM 6/20 (WRC-15):

**Action item 1.13** **supports identification** of additional bands for **future IMT-development**: „...inviting to conduct sharing & compatibility studies for band **24,25 – 27,5 GHz**“.

**That band would be a favourite candidate for extention requirements of AMT (time horizon 2020 & beyond) !**



# Draft CEPT Brief on WRC-19 for AI 1.16



CEPT supports studies to be performed under AI 1.16 in accordance with Res. 239 (WRC-15).

„In the **5150 – 5350 MHz** band, CEPT would support relaxing the access conditions applicable to WAS / RLANs, *if results show sharing and compatibility cannot be achieved* with EESS, radars, Sat-feederlinks, aeronautical navigation and aeronautical telemetry“.

„However CEPT noted that the *current studies* have shown difficulties in achieving co-existence with incumbent services“ (3rd meeting, May 2017).

CEPT revised that position further in its 4th meeting, Sept. 2017, especially with reference to the band **5150 – 5250 MHz !**



## Last Minute Action Item WRC-19 for *Wireless Industrial Applications*



- **Industry 4.0**, „**Smart Manufacturing**“, is on the roadmap to standardisation, supported by **ETSI, IEC, ISA, IEEE, OneM2M et.al.**
- Industrial radio links presently in the 2,4 GHz band investigate licensed allocations from 1,5 – 6 GHz, spectrum requirements **80 MHz (2x40MHz)** of bandwidth needed !
- **Candidate for studies: 2340 - 2400 MHz & 5150 – 5250 MHz**
- The **„one M2M Partnership Project“** (>200 members worldwide) succeeded to bring that issue on the ITU (R) list of **„urgent studies required in preparation of the WRC-19“**, as  
**AI 9.1.8 Res.958 (WRC-15): Narrow & broadband machine-type communication infrastructures** (to be studied by WP5D)





# What Can the ICTS Do



- The **Agenda Items for the WRC-19** and **regional BWS- initiatives (LSA, LAA-LTE)** have to be carefully studied and assessed.  
Provide **early warning** with respect to spectrum threats emerging in other areas of the world.
- **Support of relevant study groups in AMT-critical issues**, e.g. the technical & operational characteristics in band 5150 – 5250 MHz, in the *ITU (R) Working Party 5B and Joint Task Group meetings (Geneva)*.
- *Monitoring CEPT & ATU, RCC and ASMG meetings and workshops,*.
- Possible tasking to investigate the feasibility of augmenting the current AMT bands by new allocations in **Ku, K, and Ka bands (15 - 30 GHz)**.



# Conclusions



- **EU harmonisation level for S-Band still poor** ; **C-band use in progress** (Austria, France, Germany, Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, UK).
- **The LSA intentions continue, for 2300-2400 MHz. But the protection criteria as proposed by European ICTS members, where accepted.**
- **2300-2400 MHz** was already *under severe threat* by Res. 223 (WRC-12) allocated to IMT in some Region 1 countries.

**Some countries (Germany, France & UK) try to delay an allocation to protect incumbent primary services (esp. AMT and PMSE) !**

- **5150-5250 MHz** in occupation process by the LAA lobby as band for secondary LTE-cells. **Introduction planned from 2017 onward.**

## **New AI's WRC-19:**

- **AI 1.16: "WAS and BWA in the 5 GHz range"**, with **5150-5250 MHz as one target band**, proposing to *study outdoor ops of WLAN*.
- **„to study machine-type comm. infrastructures for wireless industrial applications, candidates are AMT S- and C-bands, too !**



# For more information



- European Communication Office (ECO)

[www.ero.dk](http://www.ero.dk)

- European Frequency Information System (EFIS)

[www.efis.dk](http://www.efis.dk)

- CEPT / ECC Study Groups

[www.cept.org/ecc](http://www.cept.org/ecc)



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# Questions / Discussion



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