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The mobile satellite company"

## **Overview**

- Inmarsat's track record
  - Resilient ICT beyond the edge
- Use of satellite communications during the disaster cycle
- Recent case studies
- Future developments : hybrid satellite / terrestrial communications
- Conclusions and recommendations
  - Spectrum
  - EU policy context



## The mobile satellite company<sup>™</sup>



- The market leader
- Global mobile satellite services
- Across land, sea and air
- Operating on the most advanced, fully funded commercial communications satellites
  - Constellation of 11 satellites
  - Investment of 1.5 bn in 4rd generation
- Inmarsat Global Xpress by 2013
  - Investment of 1.2 billion in 5<sup>th</sup> generation
  - Broadband applications in Ka band
- 30+ year history of unsurpassed reliability

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Pre-emption for safety services

## **Our Disaster-Prone World**



# **Disasters Are Communications Events**

- Emergency communications save lives and protect property:
  - Restore operability
  - Provide communications among non-interoperable groups
  - Restore lifeline service
  - Situational awareness
  - Damage and needs assessment
  - Continuity of Government
  - Evacuation and mass care management





#### Non disaster

Risk assessment for mitigation action

Hazard prediction, modelling advocacy – public awarenessgeo information

-training -

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Recovery

Before disaster

Information gathering – monitoring environment and critical infrastructure

Emergency planning and training, early warning Prepared

#### Recovery after disaster

Emergency management, damage assessment, site security, information for logistics and meeting community needs

#### **During disaster**

Response

alert, real time monitoring mobilizing help, command and control co-ordination, situational awareness, information dissemination, emergency healthcare



## Use during different stages of disaster

Increasing bandwidth requirements			
<b>Communications</b> requirement	Rapidly deployable and highly portable – lightweight terminals Ease of use (non tech users) Voice/data for alert Internet/VPN for	Netted comms- interoperability Interoperability voice/data Integrations with imagery for decision support and logistics and information dissemination	More permanent installations Damage assessment – mapping – re- establishing transport and backhaul for terrestrial communications
Inmarsat Satellite solution	Search and rescue (GMDSS – aero safety) – first aid Handheld, low data rate and pre-emptive emergency communications	Telecom and access to data BGAN – simultaneous voice/data (450+Kb/sec), email, internet, broadcast quality IP streaming	Global Xpress VSAT higher bandwidth



## **Power of IP**

- Growing everyday use of wireless mobility reshaping emergency response
- Satcom provides IP pipe for remote data operations
  - Backhaul for ad hoc radio networks
  - Access to remote data bases
  - Collaborative tools
  - Email
  - VOIP
  - Video Conferencing





## **Recent uses of Inmarsat MSS services**

## Reconnecting people

- MoU with Telecom Sans Frontieres and ITU
- Haiti, Indonesia, China, Chile, Japan
- Atalanta
  - Fighting piracy, combining ship and aircraft communications
- Environmental monitoring
  - Mapping the oil slick in the Gulf of Mexico
  - Tsunami early warning systems





# Inmarsat satellite communications : an effective option

- Quick deployment small form factor rapid response
- Reliable communications link when terrestrial or cellular networks are outdated, insufficient, damaged or overloaded
- Allows communication locally, nationally, internationally, globally
- Facilitates co-ordination of large-scale integrated communications
  - Transborder operations
  - Between civil and military actors
  - Receive/transmit images originating from air, sea or land
- High bandwidth
- Maximum interoperability



## S-band Hybrid satellite – terrestrial (CGC) system

- First pan-European award process organised by the EU Commission to select 2 winners out of 4 candidates
- In May 2009, the European Commission awarded two allocations of 2 x 15MHz each to Inmarsat and Solaris
- Inmarsat was awarded:1995-2010/2170-2185 MHz
- Assured access to EU-wide licensing of Complementary Ground Component (CGC) at Member State level
- Why is this a unique opportunity?
  - This spectrum is so far unused
  - "Prime real estate' contiguous with UMTS allocations
  - · Certainty for EU-wide market access for 18 years
  - CGC allows for smaller, speedier and higher bandwidth terminals
  - CGC overcomes "line of sight" issues in metropolitan areas



## **Policy support for S band PMR services**

### **PMR**

- Momentum in the public policy environment express requirement for pan-EU integrated satellite/terrestrial networks; aggregated demand provides the business case. Policies include:
  - *Maritime 'Blue Book' network requirements*
  - Critical National Infrastructure UK Government Proposals
  - Public Protection Disaster Relief CEPT
- Focus on incorporating S-band public safety and security features identified in the ESA High Speed Bi-Way project (ARTES-1)
- Urgent request by Mrs Kroes to MS to put rapidly introduce all necessary legislative measures "to allow the pan-EU deployment of mobile satellite services that could be used for high-speed internet, mobile television and radio or emergency communications to EU consumers and businesses"



## **EuropaSat business model**

- EuropaSat will operate at the wholesale layer
- Three target user communities are targe
  - Communications Service Providers (CSP's)
  - Machine to Machine (smart grid, telemetry, intelligent transport etc)
  - Public Protection, Disaster Relief (PPDR)



# S-band solution to increased PMR bandwidth needs

- The hybrid network overcomes line of sight limitations
- Integrated terminals allow one device for emergency and routine communications
  - Dual use TETRA / S-band terminal
    - Up to 10 Mbps enabling a richer data service than is possible today with TETRA or in the future with TEDS
  - Dual mode S-band / L-band terminal
    - Over 500 Mbps broadband service
  - Proximity to 4G bands



# **S-band Augmenting TETRA coverage**

- CGC overcomes satellite limitations with regard to line of sight
- Fully interoperable pan-European service
  - Spectrum allocated on a pan-european scale
  - Economy of scale for terminal production
  - Cross border usage, including non EU countries
- Dual use S-band/TETRA terminal
  - Gap filling and seamless transition from terrestrial TETRA network to areas outside TETRA coverage
  - Satellite can take over if terrestrial network is not functioning





## **Resilience of S-band PMR services**

- Different ways to realise prioritising and pre-emption
  - Dynamic lease of a number of carriers in a certain area
  - Emergency Multi Layer Priority and Pre-emption (EMLPP)
  - Others e.g. priority access based on access level priority at SIM level
- S-band satellite provides redundancy in case terrestrial CGC fails
- L-band satellite provides additional redundancy
- CGC in S-band can be part of next generation main stream "blue light"
- S-band is ideally suited to augment main stream PMR services
  - CGC overcoming line of sight issues associated with satellite
  - Potential to offer higher bandwidth services
  - Pan-European coverage and interoperability
  - Resilience and redundancy



# Conclusion

- The unique role of classic MSS in providing communications should be explicitly recognised in the emerging new EU framework
- Inmarsat's services can facilitate synergies between defence and PPDR
- In addition to sub 1 Ghz spectrum, core satellite bands need to be maintained for satellite operators to develop broadband PPDR
  - 80% of Inmarsat traffic in L band is currently data and the future developments are related to increased data rates which Global Xpress will provide in Ka band
  - Feederlinks operate in C-band
  - CGC in S-band can be part of next generation main stream "blue light", urban security and use of video surveillance
  - Other operators also heavily use Ku band

