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ETSI WG SatEC (Satellite Emergency Communications)

Special Task Force STF473:

Alert Message Encapsulation

SatEC WG Objectives



- Activities are currently focused on 3 topics
 - Definition of reference concepts for the use of satellite in disaster situations
 - Use of satellite communications for public warning systems (STF 473)
 - Use of satellite communications for restoring/establishing communication capabilities in a disaster area (STF 472)

STF473 Objective



Multiple Alert Message Encapsulation over Satellite (MAMES)

Definition of <u>a powerful encapsulation</u> whose main purposes are to:

- Embed other alerting standards (e.g. POCSAG, CAP), to support transmission over satellite;
- Provide a multi-semantic representation of the alert,
 - allowing the interpretation by automated devices with limited capabilities (displays, audio-sounds, bottom line rendered text in TV programmes, etc);
- Fit in the main SatCom and SatNav systems (e.g. Galileo Public Regulated Service);
- Provide enhanced capabilities such as:
 - the possibility to work over unidirectional links,
 - an increased reliability by adapting to the traversed network,
 - selective activation (based on space-time coordinates),
 - integrity verification and sender authentication, etc.

Outputs:

- an ETSI Technical Specification (TS): MAMES
- an ETSI Technical report (TR): MAMES integration on existing space segments

STF Outline



Overview of Task 1

State of the art of Alerting Systems and Protocols

Overview of Task 2

 Candidate SatCom and SatNav Systems for the Delivery of Alert Messages

Overview of ongoing Task 3

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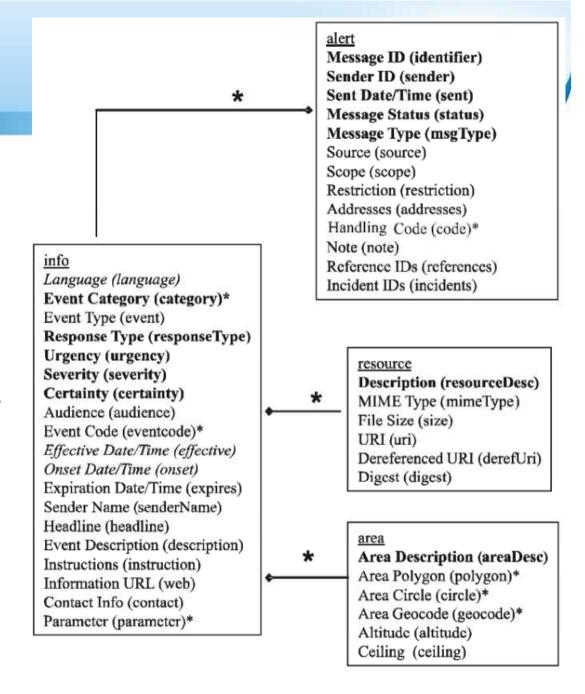


Overview of Alerting Techniques

- Relevant existing systems
 - Paging Systems Used For Alert Communication
 - Dedicated Alerting Systems
 - Alert Message Protocols
 - CAP

Common Alerting Protocol

- Composed of four main elements:
 - Alert
 - Info
 - Resource
 - Area
- Specification open to any implementation, <u>but</u>
 XML is the most widespread:
 - Dedicated XML schema available
- ASN.1 specification also available, not really used though



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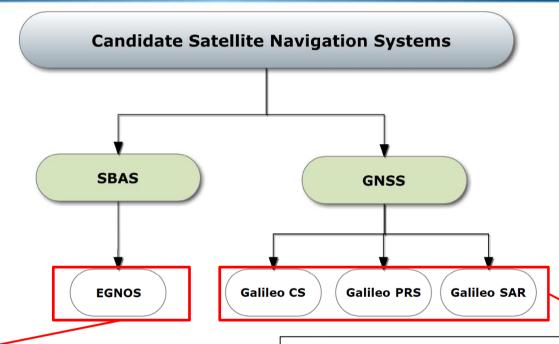
Task 2 Activities



- Identification of candidate Satellite Communication (SatCom) and Navigation (SatNav) systems and open standards for the delivery of alert message
- Definition of the operational contexts: MAMES scenarios
- Identification of the main building blocks of the defined scenarios

Candidate Satellite Navigation Systems





EGNOS Main Features:

- Coverage over Europe, the Mediterranean Sea and Africa (3 GEO satellite)
- Overlay system based on a network of ground stations and GEO satellites
- Enhances GPS/GLONASS
- Already Operational

Galileo Main Features:

- Global Coverage (30 MEO satellites)
- Developed for civilian use
- Independent European system, compatible/interoperable with GPS and Glonass
- New positioning and data broadcasting capabilities (new potential applications)
- Wide range of services

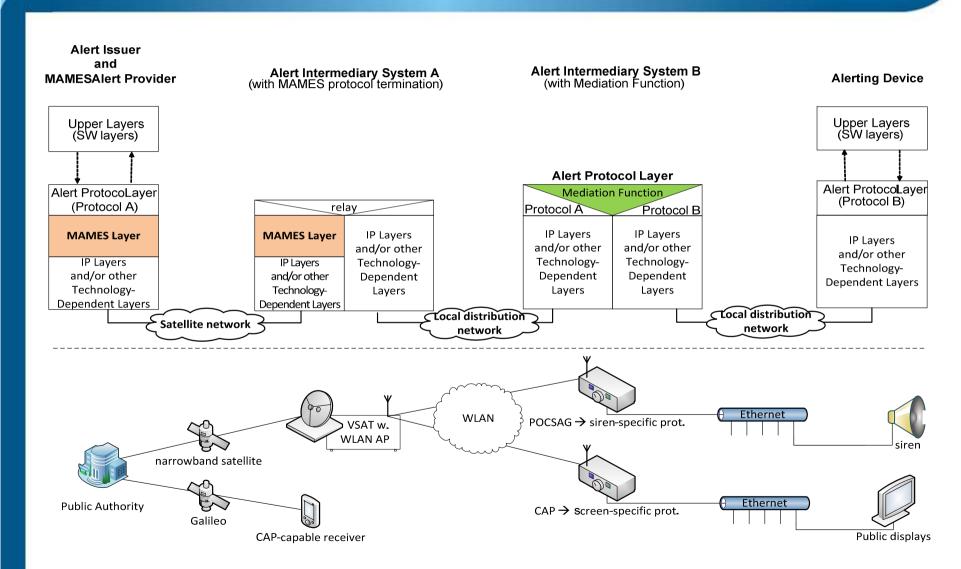
Overview of ongoing Task 3



- Terminology and definitions are being consolidated
- Requirements definition is about to be closed
- Functional architecture is work in progress
 - Select the set of Alert Protocols to be supported (e.g. CAP)
 - Define how to address different terminal rendering capabilities
 - Define a set of "enhancers" (e.g. fragmentation, forward error protection, authentication)
 - Define whether and how to use simultaneously different satellite (wireless) transmission media
- Protocol detailed design will start in July '14

Application scenario, with protocol stacks





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Comments and inputs from PSCE are VERY welcome.

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