

## The European GNSS Programmes - Status and Potential Use during Crisis -

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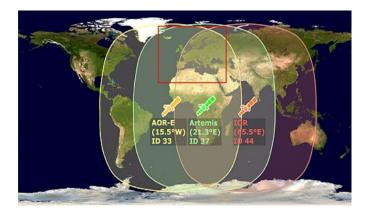


## **EGNOS** is Fully Operational



- ★ EGNOS open service is operational since October 2009
- ★ EGNOS Safety of Life service was declared operational in March 2011
- ▶ Pau Pyrénées airport (France) became
  Europe's first airport to use the EGNOS
  Safety of Life service to guide in aircraft for landing in May 2011
- ★ Since December 2011, the EGNOS-based LPV procedures at Alderney airport (Channel Islands) are the first in Europe to be used for **commercial flights**
- ★ Over 100 EGNOS approach procedures for aircraft landings already published in Europe





## **Galileo is Taking Off**



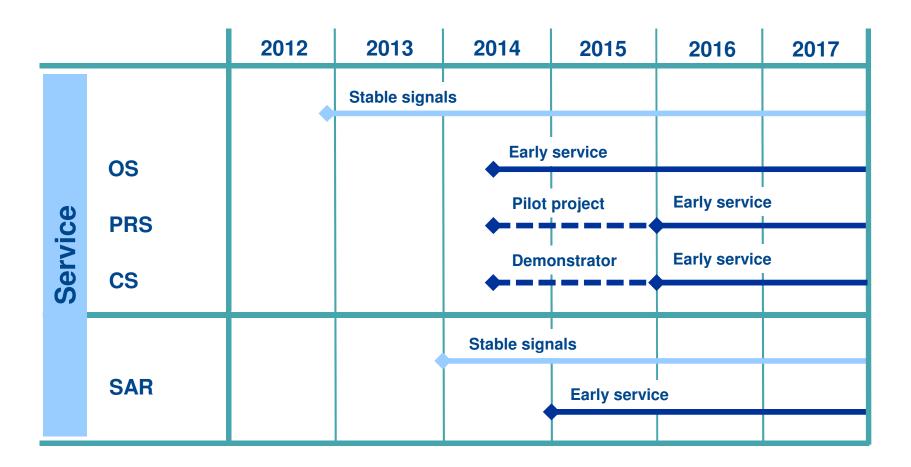


- ★ The first 2 operational satellites were launched on 21 October 2011 (in addition to the two test satellites launched in 2005 and 2008)
- ★ Further two Galileo satellites will be launched on the 28<sup>th</sup> of September 2012
- All industrial contracts necessary to ensure early Galileo services in 2014 have been signed
- ★ To accelerate Galileo's deployment and to further contain costs, the following contracts were signed on 2 February 2012:
  - Additional order for 8 satellites
  - Adaptation of Ariane-5 for Galileo
  - Booking of one Ariane-5 launch

### **Galileo Services Provision Timeline**



Early services will be provided from 2014 with a gradual transition towards full services as more satellites become available



# Galileo Open Service will be open to all, free of charge with performances similar to GPS



#### **Characteristics**

- Free of charge positioning, navigation and timing information
- Galileo Open Service is fully interoperable with GPS

#### **Users**

Mass-market applications (i.e. smartphones, in-car navigation)

#### **Next steps**

- Provide early Galileo Open Service from 2014
- Autonomous and continuous service available when the full constellation is deployed

**Open Service (OS)** 

Freely accessible service for positioning and timing



# Galileo PRS will be an encrypted, robust and continuous service



#### **Characteristics**

- Signals resistant to involuntary interference, malicious jamming, spoofing and meaconing
- Continuous service even in crisis conditions
- PRS will function independently of GPS

#### **Users**

 Authorised users requiring a high continuity of service, with controlled access (i.e. governmental bodies)

#### **Next steps**

- Involve pilot Member States (MS) that will start using PRS from 2014
- Provide early Galileo PRS service from 2016

Public Regulated Service (PRS)

Encrypted service designed for greater robustness and higher availability



## PRS Access Rules – General Principles



- Decision 1104/2011 ("PRS Access Rules") adopted by the European Parliament and the Council on 25 of October 2011
- The MS, the Council, the European Commission and the EEAS have the right to unlimited and uninterrupted access to the PRS worldwide
  - MS will decide independently who the authorised PRS users will be
  - The Council, the European Commission and the EEAS will decide which categories of agents are authorised to be PRS users
- Union agencies may become PRS participants to fulfil their tasks and if relevant administrative agreement is concluded with the European Commission
- Non EU states or international organisations could become PRS participants if:
  - A security Agreement exists between the EU and that state/organisation
  - A specific Agreement defining the access modalities is concluded with the EU

# Galileo SAR will efficiently contribute to international search and rescue operations



#### **Characteristics**

- ★ Provides a "forward link" for the detection of distress signals
- ★ Introduces a unique "return link" feature to send detection acknowledgement message from the SAR operator to the distress emitting beacon
- ★ Europe's contribution to the MEOSAR system of COSPAS-SARSAT

#### **Users**

- ★ Used by national Rescue Coordination Centres in the detection and localisation of distress events from owners of COSPAS-SARSAT beacons
- ★ COSPAS-SARSAT contributes to saving 1300 lives per year on average

#### **Next steps**

- ★ Sign contract with SAR operator in April 2012
- ★ Provide early Galileo SAR service from 2014

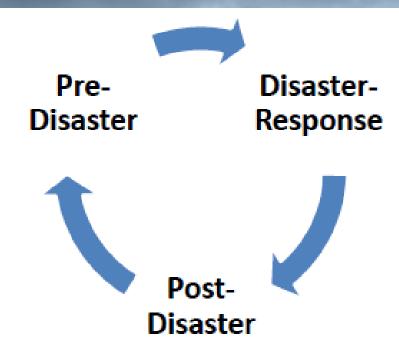
Search and Rescue Service (SAR)

Assists locating people in distress and confirms that help is on the way



## Potential Use of GNSS during Crisis





- GNSS can contribute in every phase of the disaster management cycle above
- ★ Large-scale disaster often affect transport, communication and energy distribution on a wide-area (regional/global)
  - local ground-based infrastructure can be unavailable therefore satellite technology which cover wide area can be useful

### **Pre-Disaster Phase**



- ★ For risk assessment/prevention
  - Monitoring of ground profile (eg for landslides and earthquakes), sea level (eg for tsunamis), infrastructure monitoring (eg nuclear plant)
- ★ Preparedness
  - Alert broadcasting (potential GNSS service)

## **Response Phase**



- When a disaster occurs, very fast and efficient response must be provided
- ★ GNSS can be instrumental by supporting:
  - an efficient management of the rescuers and fleets (in difficult environment)
  - an increase of the safety of the rescuers
  - the coordination and logistic support to the operations (e.g. unmanned delivery of goods (parafoil))
  - aid to navigation in difficult environment (eg destruction of local aids to navigation, bad weather, scarce visibility (fire))
- ★ Assessing damage
  - Rapid mapping / Support to the delivery of reference damage maps

### **Post-Disaster Phase**



- Restoration of the infrastructure (eg telecom) and buildings
  - As during the immediate disaster response phase, reconstruction crews and materials can be better coordinated using GNSS
  - GNSS data used in combination with data from aerial and space based Earth observation systems for optimized processes
- ★ Analysis of GNSS data gathered before and during the disaster to better model the causes of a disaster and better predict their occurrence (eg earthquakes or volcanic activity)
- Analysis of the ways GNSS data are used in rescue operations can assist in developing improved procedures for future events (e.g. by preventing bottlenecks in crowd movements)

