DEVELOPMENT OF MHTS AUTOMATIC IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM (AIS) RECEIVER AND UPGRADE TO VDES & BLUE FORCE TRACKING AIS.

- Introduction of Motseni-HI-TechSpace (MHTS)
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 - Technical Director -Satellite Engineer
 - CO-Founder Motseni HI-TechSpace
- MHTS Company specializes in Design & Development of:
 - GNSS Radio Occultation Receivers (& GNSS-R) For Weather Prediction and Space Weather Monitoring (TEC)
 - RF & Microwave Subsystems , Satellite TT&C Transceivers, Radar Subsystems,
 - Inter-Satellite Links Transceivers ,TERRESTRIAL-AIS, SAT-AIS, VDES for Maritime monitoring & BFT AIS



AIS-TERRESTRIAL MONITORING SYSTEM & SAT-AIS

- AIS mandated by IMO to be carried by Vessels, Maritime
- AIS Exchange information between ship-ship & ship-shore
- Address Safety of life at sea (Collision Avoidance), efficiency of navigation & Protection of marine environment
- Messages, Static- MMSI, IMO, Name. Dynamic- Position, GNSS-Time stamp(UTC), COG, SOG e.t.c
- Navigational voyage related Messages-Destination, ETA, Cargo
- Limitations- coverage limitations-& Overloading
 - Bandwidth & No Duplex Comms between SAT & SHIPS



AIS-TERRESTRIAL MONITORING SYSTEM-TDMA-FRAME = 2250 SLOTS



AIS Frequencies: 161.975 MHz & 162.025 MHz, GMSK Modulation & Demodulation



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MHTS AIS RECEIVER-SDR: FREQUENCY TRANSPOSITION & NEGATIVE FREQUENCY



MHTS AIS RECEIVER-SDR: FREQUENCY TRANSPOSITION & NEGATIVE FREQUENCY, MULTIPLE RECEIVERS



MHTS AIS DEMONSTRATOR-DUAL CHANNEL RX IN SDR: RESULTS



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MHTS AIS RECEIVER DEMONSTRATOR RESULTS



VHF DATA EXCHANGE SYSTEM – VDES EVOLUTION OF AIS: AIS.2MODES -AUTONOMOUS, ASSIGNED & POLLED

- Next-generation VHF maritime communications service designed to Deliver two-way communication across planet. M2M
- The system will complement to both terrestrial and satellite based AIS.
 VDE-TER (Duplex or Simplex mode). Band 156.025-162.025 MHz
- IMO and IALA develop and prove its feasibility of the satellite based VDES, -Testing Phase. Industry partners testing the downlink segment of VDES, using Satellites," and Terrestrial Links.
- VDES means exchanging data between Maritime Stations (M-M)
- Ship-to-ship, ship-to-shore, shore-to-ship, ship-to-satellite
- and Satellite-to-ship. –Incorporate GNSS Rx & Antennas
- Multi-component system-AIS, ASM & VDE (VDE-TER & VDE-SAT)



AIS.2(VDES)-EVOLUTION OF AIS EXPECTED 500K TERMINALS BY 2030





VDES - FREQUENCY USAGE





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VDES-ASM-TER AND VDE-TER AND ASM-SAT & VDE-SAT PACKET FORMAT ITU



VDES-SYSTEM – ITU-R

System- Various Sync words based on usage – VDER-TER, ASM-SAT, SAT. Identification & Location of Active Stations is still by AIS MCS & Link ID defines - channel configuration Data with CRC is interleaved, FEC encoded, scrambled, and bit mapped VDE-ASM – Link Identification Parameters – Pi/4 QPSK VDE-TER – Link ID Parameters - Pi/4-QPSK, 8-PSK, 16-QAM VDE-SAT – Link ID Parameters-Pi/4-QPSK, BPSK & QPSK/CDMA



VDES-SYSTEM – APPROACH CAN BE IMPLEMENTED IN SDR



MHTS VDE – ASM ASM 1-161.95 MHZ & ASM 2-162.0 MHZ

Training

sequence

Link ID

Implement **Transport Layer Network Layer** Link Layer Link Management Entity **Data Link Services** Media Access Control? **Physical Layer**

- Bit Rate -19.2 kbps Pi/4-QPSK
- Tx Power = 1W & 12.5W
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Presentation layer	
Session layer	
Transport layer	
Network layer	
Link layer	
Physical layer	

Data



CRC

MHTS VDE- ASM-SIMULATIONS-RESULTS-PI/4-QPSK



MHTS VDE- ASM-SIMULATIONS-RESULTS-PI/4-QPSK



MHTS VDE- ASM-SIMULATIONS-RESULTS-8-PSK







MHTS VDE- ASM-SIMULATIONS-RESULTS-8-PSK



MHTS VDE- ASM-SIMULATIONS-RESULTS-16-QAM



MHTS VDE- ASM-SIMULATIONS-RESULTS-16-QAM



BLUE FORCE TRACKING (BFT) AIS I SEE U, BUT YOU CAN'T SEE ME.

Requirements for SBU Tactical Information Exchange. Navy, Coast Guard and Police: Perform AIS communication outside the public AIS network.

Feature allows boats in a group to operate stealthily(hidden) to boats that are not in the Same group, but still able to receive from all normal AIS Vessels.

Boats in their groups (A, B, and C) can only be "seen" within their own groups.







BLUE FORCE TRACKING (BFT) AIS: STEALTH AIS

Modes of Operation:

Visibility: Vessels can be seen within their group including shore based receivers, but, Invisible to all others.

Can see everybody, but not visible to everyone: Capability of Tx open AIS

Capability to receive both open AIS and non-open AIS information

How?

Can include extra channel, encryption, Frequency hopping and/or spread spectrum

Built-in crypto functions and external encryption software be supported

Benefits - Encrypting Vessel ID Data can thwart Maritime Piracy



BLUE FORCE TRACKING (BFT) EAIS MODES OF OPERATION

BFT EAIS TRANSPONDER CAN OPERATE IN:

- 1. NORMAL MODE –
- 2. SENDS & RECEIVES OPEN AIS & EAIS
- 3. RECEIVE ONLY MODE –
- 4. RECEIVE AIS & EAIS MESSAGES
- 5. RESTRICTED MODE-
- 6. TRANSPONDER TRANSMIT ONLY EAIS BUT
- 7. RECEIVES AIS & EAIS MSGS
 - THANKYOU
 - MHTS: THE FUTURE IS HERE

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