CERTIUM®
A NEW STANDARD
FOR FUTURE
ATC COMMUNICATIONS
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Safety and efficiency beyond existing market standards.

Global Air Traffic volumes are highly volatile. A global pandemic, recovering passenger numbers, rapid technological change, evolving cyber threats and limited resources pose greater challenges for air navigation service providers.

However, safety, security and efficiency need to keep pace and are key requirements for air traffic control. To meet these demands, Rohde & Schwarz introduces CERTIUM®, an advanced ATC communications suite from the microphone to the antenna.
A COMPLETE PORTFOLIO FROM A SINGLE SOURCE.

ONE-STOP-SHOP FOR ATC COMMUNICATIONS

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A manufacturing depth of almost 100% ensures traceable quality and interface control down to the last detail.
One-Stop-Shop for ATC Communications

With CERTIUM®, Rohde & Schwarz offers a true one-stop-shop for the full lifecycle of an ATC communications system – from design, manufacturing, system integration to tailored services for the entire lifecycle.

CERTIUM® features a complete portfolio from a single source with perfectly matched components based on full IP technology.

ATC controllers and decision-makers benefit from just one contact and clear responsibilities for the whole ATC communications system. This has a decisive effect on reliability, availability and efficiency.

“Longevity is a fundamental quality feature of Rohde & Schwarz. However, the high pace of innovation in modern communications technology means that products have to be regularly updated and adapted to new technological developments.

Rohde & Schwarz takes turnkey responsibility and is a one-stop-shop for customers who want one supplier to talk to.”

MARIUS MÜNSTERMANN
VICE PRESIDENT ATC

United Kingdom

Two NATS area control centers and a corporate and technical center are equipped with 600 CWPs, connecting to 1700 radios and various ground-to-ground lines across the UK.
CREATING HIGHER STANDARDS.

FUTURE-PROOF AND TRENDSETTING SOLUTIONS

Rohde & Schwarz ATC solutions for ground-to-air and ground-to-ground communications are deployed in more than 80 countries.
By participating in several working groups Rohde & Schwarz implements future standards, encouraging intense collaboration with air navigation service providers.

Voice over IP is one of the key technologies for future air traffic control and defined in the global EUROCAE ED-137 standard. As a key player, Rohde & Schwarz is actively involved in the standardization process.

CERTIUM® is fully IP based in accordance with global standards and goes even further. The scalable, cost-effective and future-proof ATC communications suite paved the way for innovative operational concepts such as geographically distributed virtual center and remote tower solutions.

"The innovative virtual ATC center concept developed exclusively by Rohde & Schwarz reaffirms the company’s technological leadership role. It makes geographically distributed, redundant ATC a reality, enabling our customers to operate a VCS group with maximum flexibility for considerably greater failsafety."

**VIRTUAL CENTER**
- Making geographically distributed and redundant ATC a reality.

**REMOTE TOWER**
- Towers remotely controlled from central locations.

**DIRECTION FINDING**
- Taking bearings and determining the position of calling aircrafts.

**WORLDWIDE REFERENCES**

Iceland
ISAVIA of Iceland and IAA of Ireland manage their mutual air traffic operation as if they were virtually in the same location by implementing a common VCS infrastructure and accessing HF radios.
SAFETY MEETS SECURITY.

ATC systems from Rohde & Schwarz contribute to air traffic safety at more than 200 airports and area control centers all over the world.
Rohde & Schwarz follows a strict “security by design” approach for all mission-critical components. Multiple layers of redundancy including an innovative quad-redundant VCS system architecture ensure uninterrupted availability.

Secure communications has been a core competence of Rohde & Schwarz for many decades. The company is a leading IT security company that protects digital assets of critical infrastructures around the world and provides approved solutions for classified communication levels.

Safety is a vital part of the company’s DNA. As an independent, privately owned enterprise/group, Rohde & Schwarz does not have to think in terms of quarterly results, it can plan sustainably for the long term.

SECURITY BY DESIGN,
SAFETY BY CULTURE

“With CERTIUM®, Rohde & Schwarz strongly focuses on using the security-by-design approach when developing its products and on leveraging its expertise in cybersecurity solutions.”

PROVEN TRACK RECORD
IN SAFETY-CRITICAL APPLICATIONS

With more than 600 employees at its cybersecurity business unit, Rohde & Schwarz is one of Europe’s largest providers of network and cybersecurity equipment for professional customers.

WORLDWIDE REFERENCES

Singapore | 240 radios at busy Changi airport provide high-quality voice connections between pilots and air traffic controllers, featuring Detection of Simultaneous Transmissions (DSiT).
CERTIUM®
Advanced ATC communications suite
The quad-redundant, IP-based voice communications system integrates perfectly with the entire CERTIUM® portfolio to ensure safe, secure and efficient airspace operation. The R&S®VCS-4G combines flexible and resilient state-of-the-art purely IP-based architecture with strong security mechanisms. Its rapid scalability allows implementations from a small tower to a countrywide system.

With advanced capabilities R&S®VCS-4G can support remote towers but also virtual centers, flexibly transferring responsibilities quickly between centers and countries.

The communication between pilots and controllers requires reliable and secure radios. CERTIUM® RADIOS cover the entire range used in ATC from HF to VHF to UHF with outstanding transmission parameters. The comprehensive portfolio of software defined radios includes the brand-new R&S®Series5200 featuring a innovative security-by-design architecture and a cost-efficient maintenance concept.

CERTIUM® LOCATE provides methods for increasing the airspace capacity while reducing the mental load of the air traffic controller and improving overall safety. Location information, accurate reporting and prioritization of events are key enablers for increasing situational awareness and reduces the risk of call sign confusion. Air traffic controllers can safely handle more aircrafts simultaneously at a reduced stress level.

CERTIUM® ANALYSIS ensures regulatory compliance by using market-leading service assurance systems as well as test and measurement solutions for VoIP networks, radars and navigation. The products use unique technologies to provide superior services to the entire system. The portfolio ranges from high-volume frequency and signal analysis and radar test systems to voice quality and signal transmission assurance systems.

CERTIUM® GATEWAYS supports all common interface types from analog to TDM and enables integration of radios, VCS and telephony systems into an IP infrastructure. Gateways can be used as a standalone solution or in combination with CERTIUM®VCS and/or CERTIUM® RADIOS.

CERTIUM® NETWORK
367 operator of sensitive, critical infrastructure require highly resilient and secure networks. Rohde & Schwarz provides tailor-made and easy-to-implement network encryption for critical infrastructure as well as a unique ATC session border controller for protection on the edges of ATC voice networks in order to enhance and secure existing network infrastructure.

CERTIUM® SERVICE
Rohde & Schwarz provides customer support throughout the lifecycle of the projects – from system design, project implementation, extensive acceptance testing and professional training to long-term lifecycle support.

From 7x24 service centers worldwide, Rohde & Schwarz provides customers with support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, mostly in the local language. The entire chain ensures many years of smooth system operation.
SECURING THE SKIES.

More than 30,000 software defined ATC radios are successfully deployed all over the world.
TECHNOLOGY LEADER IN SECURE COMMUNICATIONS

For decades, Rohde & Schwarz has supplied innovative communications systems to authorities, governments and security organizations. The company has built a market-leading reputation in these safety-critical sectors, being recognized as the technology leader for secure communications systems.

Approximately 12,000 employees in over 70 countries are driving wireless and secure innovation. Today a unique portfolio from ATC working positions to antennas is backed by extensive expertise in providing turnkey solutions and market standards.

“As head of air traffic control system engineering and product management, I am committed to satisfying current customer needs and planning for future demands. Every year Rohde & Schwarz launches 300 products or improvements to make customer visions real.

Rohde & Schwarz offers industry leading technological expertise, focused on solutions that contribute to a safe and connected world.”
A BASIS OF TRUST.

Rohde & Schwarz has an extensive sales and service network and is present in more than 70 countries.
Rohde & Schwarz products are on the cutting edge of technology, and so are the related services. The company offers customers innovative, tailored and forward-looking service packages for design, integration and protection of their high-end equipment.

A decisive pillar of CERTIUM® is trusted partnership. Rohde & Schwarz supports customers by offering expertise and advice through all phases of the project lifecycles – from system engineering to project implementation to aftersales service. Based on the vast experience from ATC projects around the world, technology experts provide advice on updates, migration and enhancement of existing systems.

**TRUSTED PARTNER THROUGHOUT PROJECT LIFECYCLE**

As a reliable partner, we support you through all phases of the project lifecycle and stand by you with an extensive and constantly growing portfolio of services that can be tailored to your specific needs.

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**FLORIAN ISTRATE**

DIRECTOR CUSTOMER PROJECTS ATC

**WORLDWIDE REFERENCES**

**Finland**

A full-IP VCS with almost 100 CVPs in Helsinki connects seamlessly with 300+ VoIP radios. Future cooperation with neighboring countries is supported by built-in virtual center capabilities.
THE NUMBER OF AIRLINE PASSENGERS WILL RECOVER TO ABOUT 10 BILLION BY 2040.

ROHDE & SCHWARZ IS PREPARED.

Constantly setting new benchmarks in the aviation sector requires the best technology. This increase is attributable not least to improvements in safety and efficiency. Rohde & Schwarz supports air traffic controllers, pilots as well as security and technical personnel at airports with a future-proof aviation portfolio beyond CERTIUM®:

**URBAN AIR MOBILITY**
Urban air mobility is shaping the future of aerospace. As an expert in aerospace test applications, Rohde & Schwarz is leading the way with innovations for testing and validating sensors (radar), communications (HF / VHF / UHF, 4G / 5G, SATCOM), flight navigation (GNSS) and overall electronic system performance.

**AIRPORT SECURITY**
Security operations at airports have long demanded high-performance technology to support efficient and reliable checkpoint operations. Body scanners from Rohde & Schwarz provide high-resolution security scanning and recognize prohibited items in a matter of seconds.

**DRONE CONTROL DETECTION AND DISRUPTION**
Drones that fly above prohibited areas are an increasing security risk. Rohde & Schwarz offers unique solutions for the demanding applications in drone monitoring and countermeasures.

**INTERFERENCE HUNTING**
Reliable communications between controllers and pilots as well as between airport personnel are essential. The dramatic upsurge in mobile and other wireless services has caused the number of cases of interference to rise. Rohde & Schwarz offers a comprehensive portfolio for hunting interferences.

**AIRBORNE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**
Rohde & Schwarz airborne high frequency voice/data radios are optimized for use in commercial long-haul aircraft. The systems provide conventional voice air-to-ground, ground-to-air, and air-to-air data communications (ACARS) over long distances.
Rohde & Schwarz

The Rohde & Schwarz electronics group offers innovative solutions in the following business fields: test and measurement, broadcast and media, secure communications, cybersecurity, monitoring and network testing. Founded more than 80 years ago, the independent company which is headquartered in Munich, Germany, has an extensive sales and service network with locations in more than 70 countries.

Sustainable product design

► Environmental compatibility and eco-footprint
► Energy efficiency and low emissions
► Longevity and optimized total cost of ownership

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