



Certification and Authorisation Workshop in Poland

Question and answer session - GSM-R related

30,4h of July 2013

ERA ERTMS Unit



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Q&A preparation



- Does GSM-R network require to be EC Verified and granted EC Verification certificate?

ERA: Yes, GSM-R Network is part of the trackside subsystem

- Since GSM-R network is part of CCW – will it be then partial / interim EC Verification certificate?

ERA: GSM-R Network is part of the trackside subsystem and needs an own certificate

a) Voice

b) Data (ETCS)

- Certification of constituents
- Safe integration of constituents

Details see process description



- In order to perform GSM-R network EC Verification is it necessary to use ETCS equipped train?

ERA: Not for the network certification; only for train track integration of L2 trains

- What in case if GSM-R network is being done in separate contract than ETCS wayside and on-board?

ERA: GSM-R network certification is independent of the ETCS part

- Which equipment/ components should be included in the GSM-R infrastructure assessment process – e.g. which core components, which BSS components, GPRS (future usage for L2),...?

ERA: All equipment what is necessary to ensure the essential requirements is part of the scope of the authorization of the GSM-R network

- In case of first implementation (so full NSS and pilot BSS config.)

ERA: See above



- In case of BSS extension (so new BTSes are connected to existing NSS upgrade in subject of capacity)

ERA: Essential requirements have to be tested. The MS has to define/agree if a new authorisation is needed.

- Should and how the “track” should be tested (coverage & QoS) can be enough for BSS/track certification in case of connection to existing NSS

ERA: Essential requirements have to be tested

- System or contract certification – so what to do if Customer order the “limited” or “extended” system → i.e. no BSC redundancy or single/dual coverage or no FDS (in the GSM-R contract)

ERA: Designed network has to be certified



Modules to be used and documentation

- Which modules should be used for which cases?

ERA: see basic introduction ; SIM card not to be tested by NoBo

- Which documents has to be delivered to NoBo's for the different modules to execute them successfully?

ERA: see basic introduction

Which tests (based on which test cases) has to be (or can be) executed by the supplier before?

ERA: No test for certification ,only tests based on contractual agreements (supplier – buyer)



Other equipment linked to GSM-R

- Is there a need, to “approve” other equipment which is not considered by CCS TSI and which has no relevance to EIRENE – e.g. BBRC, transmission interfaces,...

ERA: Certification only for MI related functions. NoBo has to guarantee, that options are not influencing the Mi functionalities

- Poland specific

ERA: Only if the national rules are notified

- What can be/should be/must be a part of GSM-R system in term of certification
- What if some equipment are not in Contract?

ERA: All equipment what is necessary to ensure the essential requirements is part of the scope of the authorization of the GSM-R network



Software changes- patches

- Basis for assessment process should be only the current valid SW version.

ERA: Basis is the SW version prepared for the certification

- Patches to update the system from time to time should be bundled and lead to a new SW version in the future.

What software change has to be retested

ERA: Impact assessment to be done; modifying the essential requirements needs a new authorization.

See also basic introduction

- What if only the hardware has been changed but software has the same SW version

ERA: If this is a maintenance procedure no authorization, otherwise new authorization



Different supplier in one network

Which process has to be considered, if a second BSS supplier will be involved?

ERA: Nothing is limited to a single supplier

Who is responsible for IOT in this case?

ERA: Interconnection has to be done on contractual basis, nothing to do with interop.

Integration of cab radios thru a third party via an independent RfQ process or by an signaling supplier?

ERA: Responsible is the applicant of the subsystem

Certification path in case of only GSM-R implementation (so no ETCS level2)



Different supplier in one network

- Certification path in case of dividing the CCS for more than one contract (one dedicated for GSM-R) → should GSM-R be certified before other parts?

ERA: Dependent on ETCS Level (L1= independent; L2= before ETCS)

- How to guaranty interoperability with a second system supplier for version

ERA: Essential requirements must be guaranteed, independent from supplier

- Neighbour network

ERA: Same as above

- BSS/ NSS in a common network

ERA: Same as above



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Test case status



ETCS Test Cases

GSM-R Test Cases



- **SS 76 For on-board unit** – equipment to be tested in the lab
 - Update to BL 3.0 ready by end of 2013
 - Test cases for 2.3.0.d are belonging to the existing TSI

- **Operational test cases** – field experience
 1. Collected by railway organisations
 2. Transfer in an agreed format
 3. Review by ETCS industry
 4. Delivered to ERA
 5. Assessment by ERA
 - Availability planned by end 2013 for 2.3.0.d
 - New functionalities for BL3 to be testes/validated in the field together with the first installed BL3



- **Test cases for mobile equipment**
 - **Cab radio**
 - Basic description available on the ERA WEB site
 - Mandatory for interoperability (Mi) test cases selection and recommendation/guideline by ERA under preparation
 - **EDOR**
 - Basic description under preparation of UIC
 - Mandatory for Interoperability test case selection and recommendation/guideline foreseen by ERA for 2014
 - **SIM Card**
 - Self declaration process and guideline under preparation by ERA, finalised by 1.Q 2014

- **Test cases for communication network** (“fixed network” only via E2E functionality included)
 - No test of network elements
 - Basic essential requirements
 - Ready and validated by end of 2013



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Test cases statement



Information Documents

In this section, some documents are provided for information only, because of their interest for the implementation of ERTMS.

It must be noted that they have no binding legal status, that the Agency has not drafted them and it is not responsible for their update.

The documents presented in points 1 and 2 are used as input documents by the basis for the Agency to develop the ERA GSM-R test cases. ERA does not have any responsibility in the interoperability verifications done by any specific provider or in the results. ERA does not endorse any testing activities or results, which are out of the scope of its functions.



Test cases on ERA WEB site (cont.)

Information Documents

1. GSM-R industry : Multi vendor interoperability testing for GSM-R networks in mixed configurations, provided by Kapsch CarrierCom and Nokia Siemens Networks.

These documents are the results of the study financed by the TEN-T E Agency Multi Annual Programme 2007-EU-60040-P (Activity 9 : GSM-R Interoperability Tests).

[Test Plans](#)

[Test Reports](#)

2. DB Systel GmbH: Test Specification for EIRENE networks assessment .
The involvement of the Agency was restricted to the activities related to the test cases description, not to any use of this document to test any set of equipment.

[Test Specification](#)

Remark: Test cases for GSM-R defined under ERA control will be part of the Application Guide



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CCRCC 2013: 12 & 13 November 2013

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Status :

- Draft agenda agreed
- Invitation prepared
- Registration process defined

Next steps:

- Invitation to be sent out CW 32
- Registration start CW 33



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