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DGPS navigation service based on VRS with local EGNOS back-up

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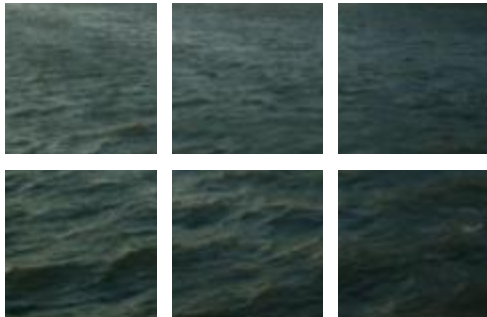
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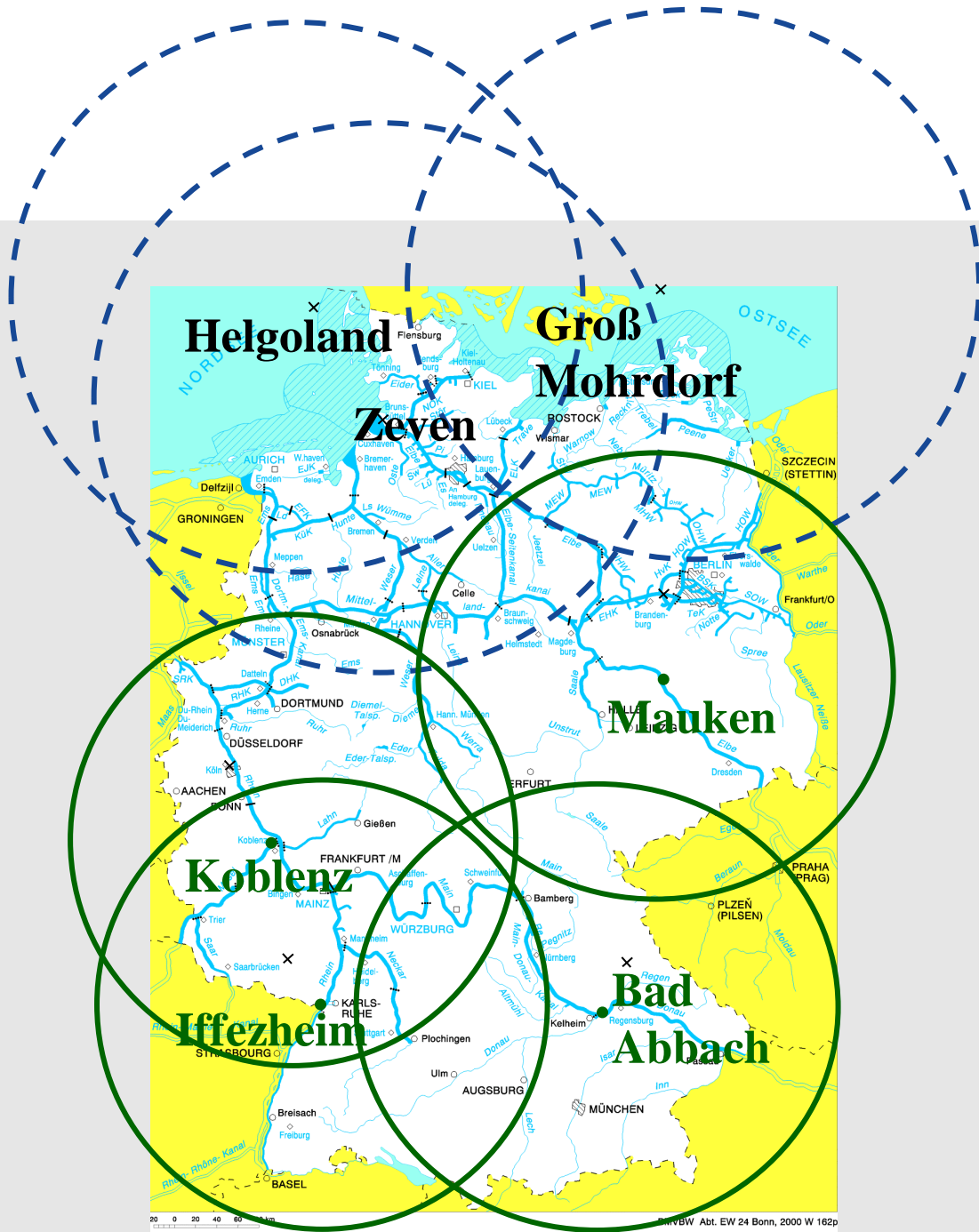
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Overview

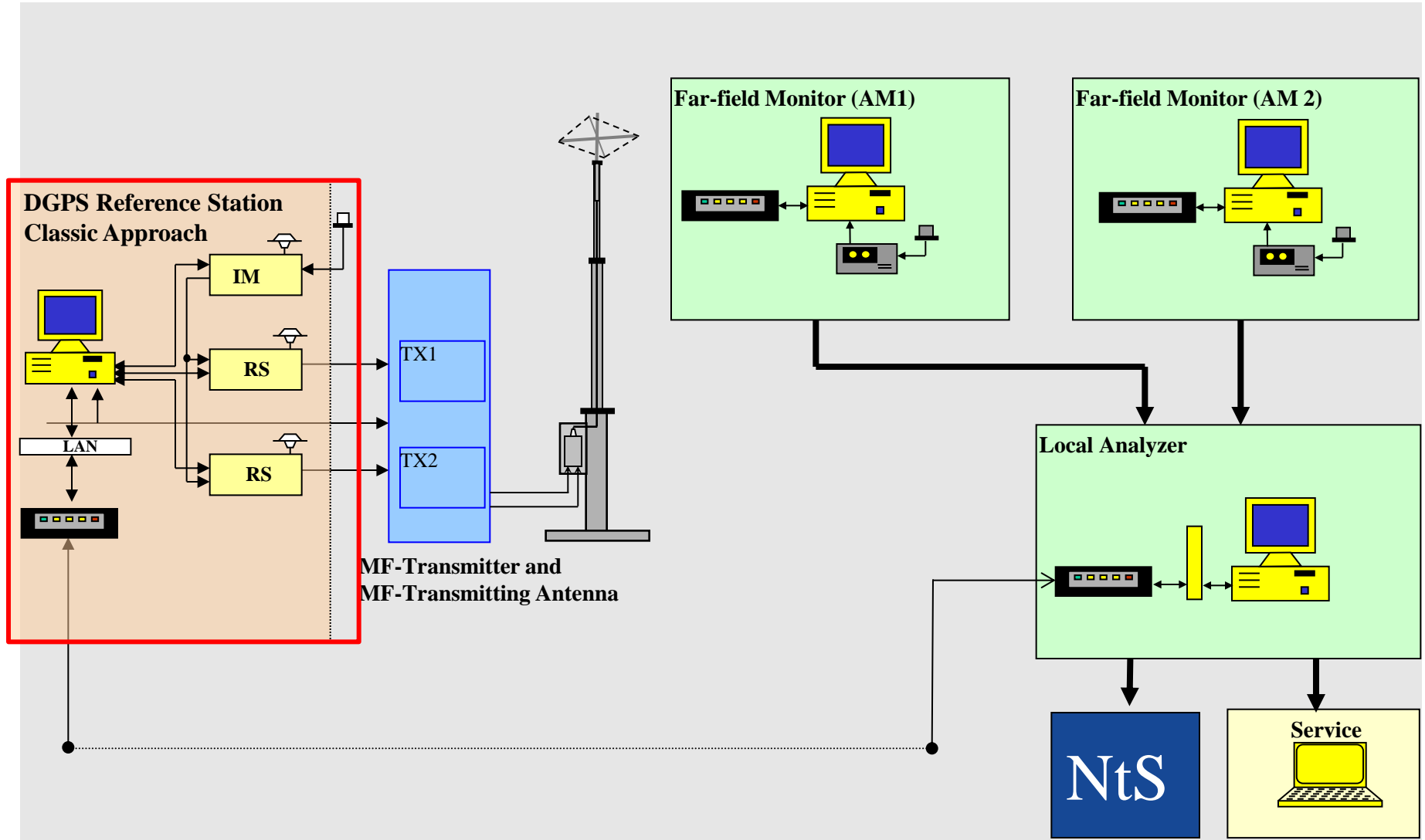
- Status of German DGPS radio beacon network
- Motivation for recapitalization
- VRS features and concept
- EGNOS as local backup solution
- Conclusion

German Radiobeacon Network



German Radiobeacon Network

System components (Classic Approach)



Reasons to recapitalize the DGPS-Network

- The coastal radiobeacon network was built up between 1994 and 1995
- The Inland radiobeacon network was built up in 2003
- Hard- and Software reaches life time end
- System becomes difficult to maintain



Reasons to recapitalize the DGPS-Network

- Remote Control Software is based on Windows NT
- Only a few spareparts exists for reference- and monitor-receivers
- Current system doesn't fulfill the requirements to separate services
- No possibility to transmit AIS message #17



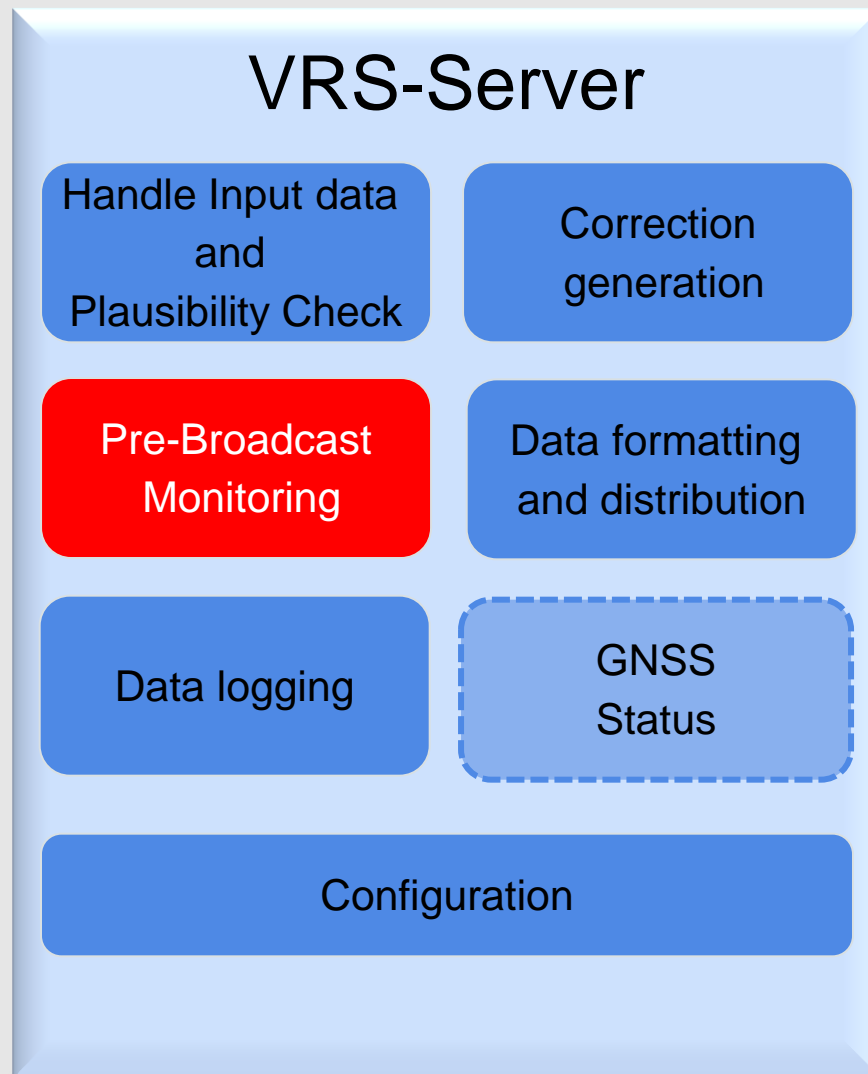
Recapitalization based on IALA R-121 (Network Approach using VRS concept)

- The VRS concept is based on GNSS corrections and integrity messages generated at a central VRS-Server

- The VRS concept supports the idea of separating the DGNSS functionality into different shore-based services:
 - DGN (DGNSS correction data service)
 - MF (medium wave service)
 - AIS service.

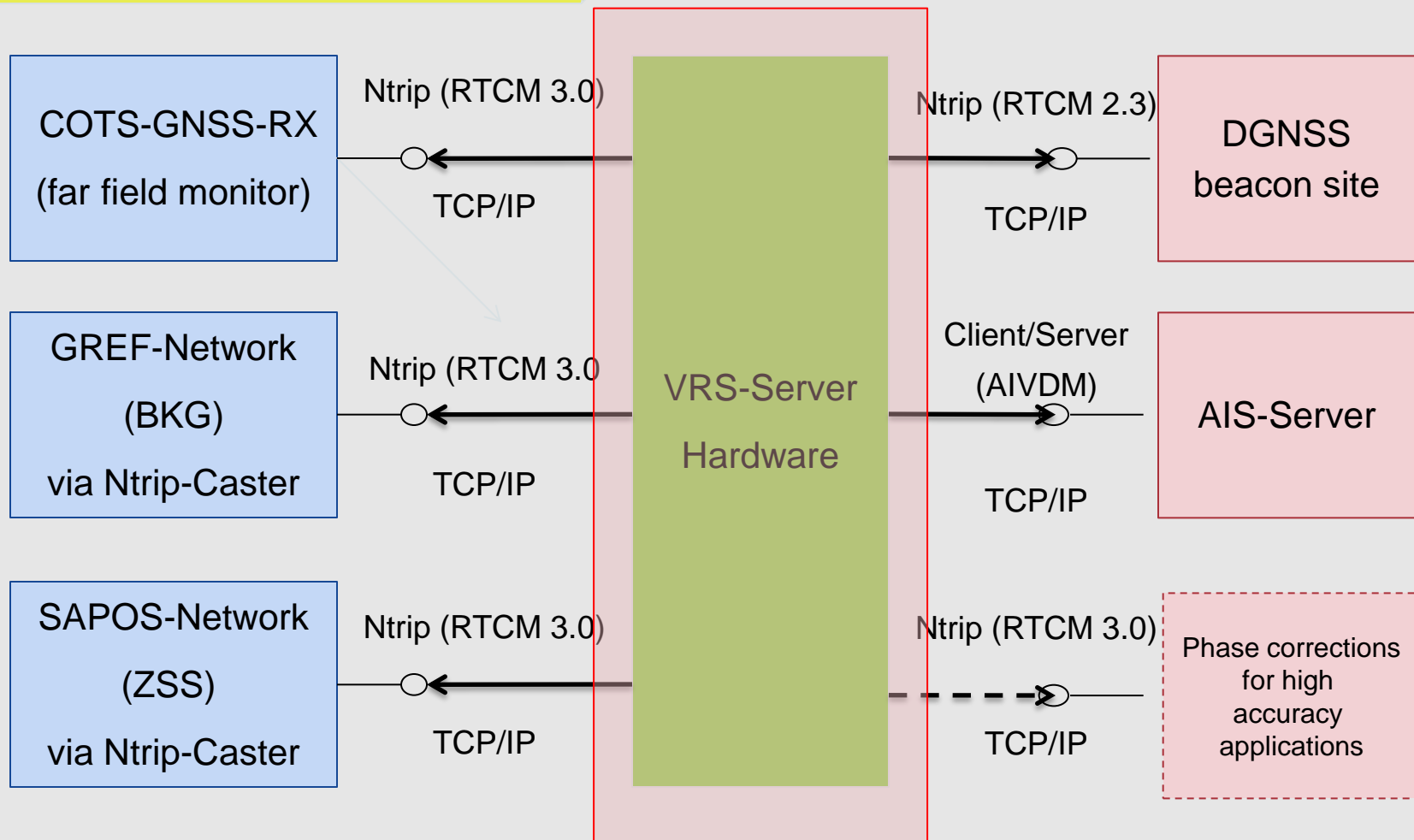
- The generated corrections will be transmitted from:
 - MF-Beacons (Conform to IALA R-121),
 - AIS-Shore stations (Conform to IALA A.124) and
 - future VDES for enhanced position accuracy.

VRS Server Functionality

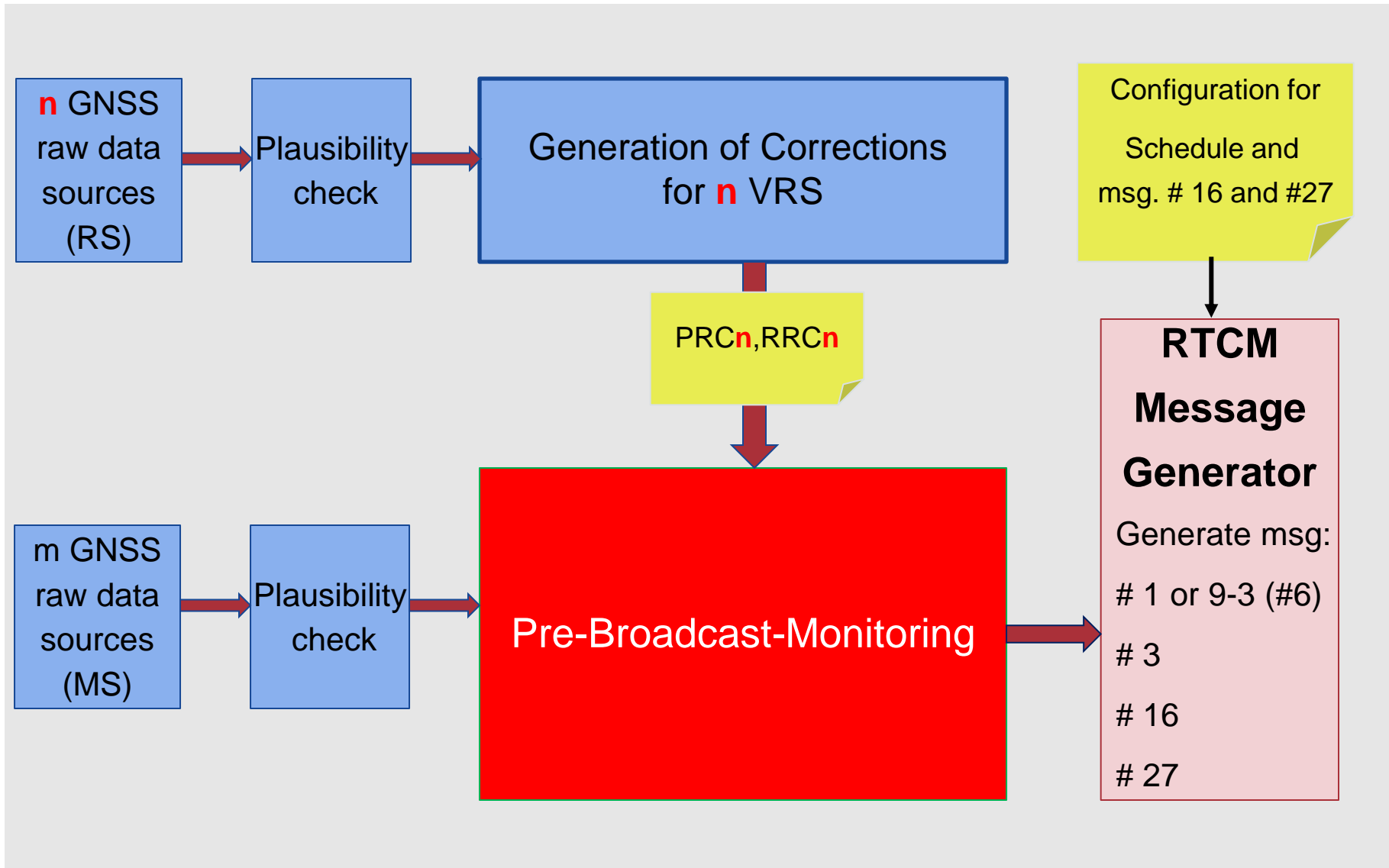


VRS Server with In- and Outputs

Ntrip: Network Transport of RTCM via IP



VRS Server Functionality (schematic)



VRS Features

➤ Advantages:

- The GNSS-receivers (used for data input) could be off-the-shelf
- Future GNSS-Signals (GLONASS and Galileo) integration is easy
- The software is based on well-known principles
- The concept can be realized with moderate investment costs
- Performance enhancements can be expected
- Several radio communication links can be served

➤ Disadvantages:

- Availability of the service dependent on communication links

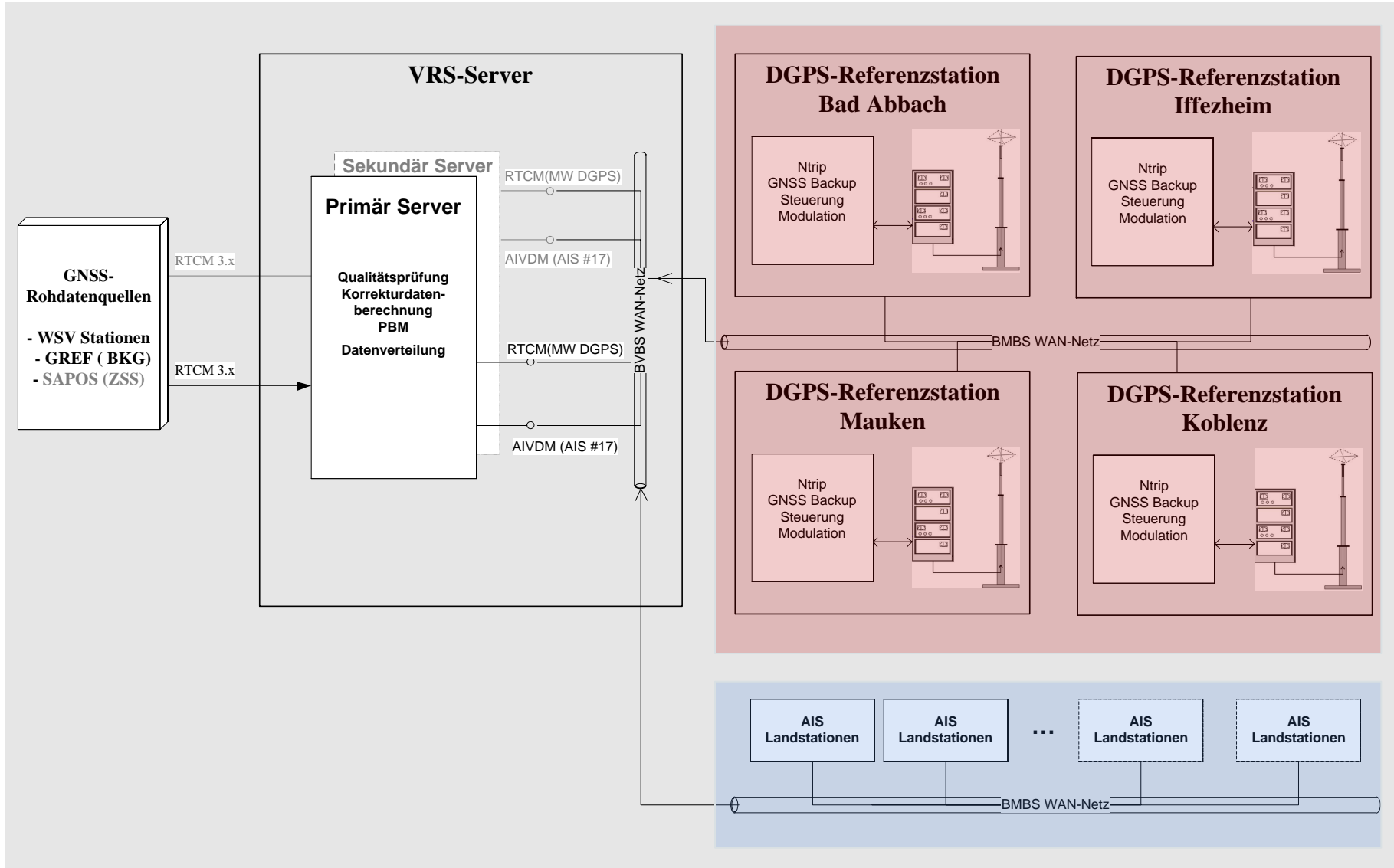
**Planned Recapitalization of IALA
radiobeacon inland service based
on the network approach (IALA R-
121) with local EGNOS backup**

Requirements for IWW Applications

Application	Accuracy [m]	Integrity
Inland ECDIS (IES) Navigation	< 5	IMO A.915(22)
Inland AIS (VTT) - Medium-term ahead - Short-term ahead - Lock/Bridge operation	15-100 10 1	- IMO A.915(22) IMO A.915(22)
Future Applications (IRIS-EU-II SuAc 2.2) - Ship Guidance Systems - Bridge warning system - Autopilot	0,1 0,1 (3D) 0,5	TBD TBD TBD

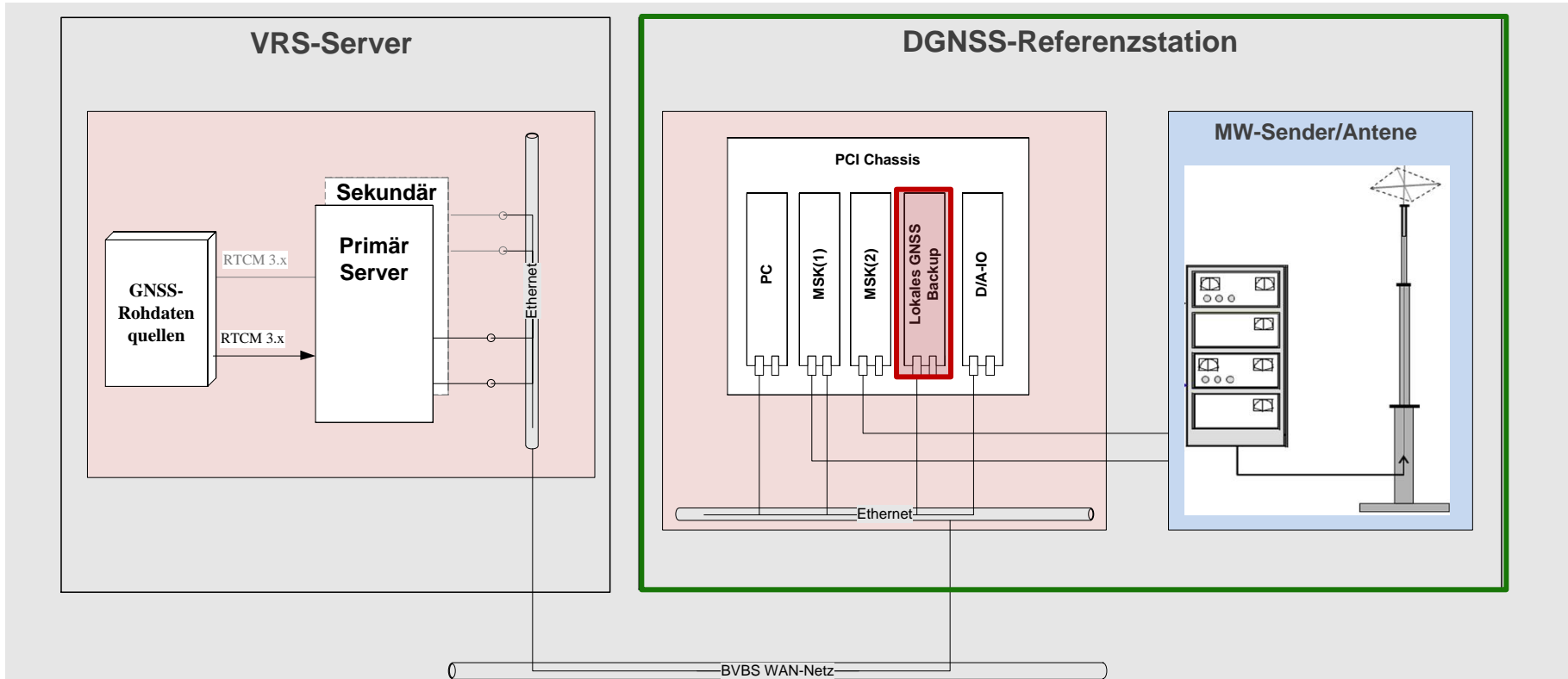
Planned new system components

- general system architecture



Planned new system components

- local radio beacon site



- Reception of GNSS-Corrections from central VRS-Servers
- New Hard- and Software for modulation and remote control
- Local Backup to mitigate network interruptions

Local Backup functionality

- Based on a local GNSS receiver and EGNOS

Local GNSS receiver provides raw data

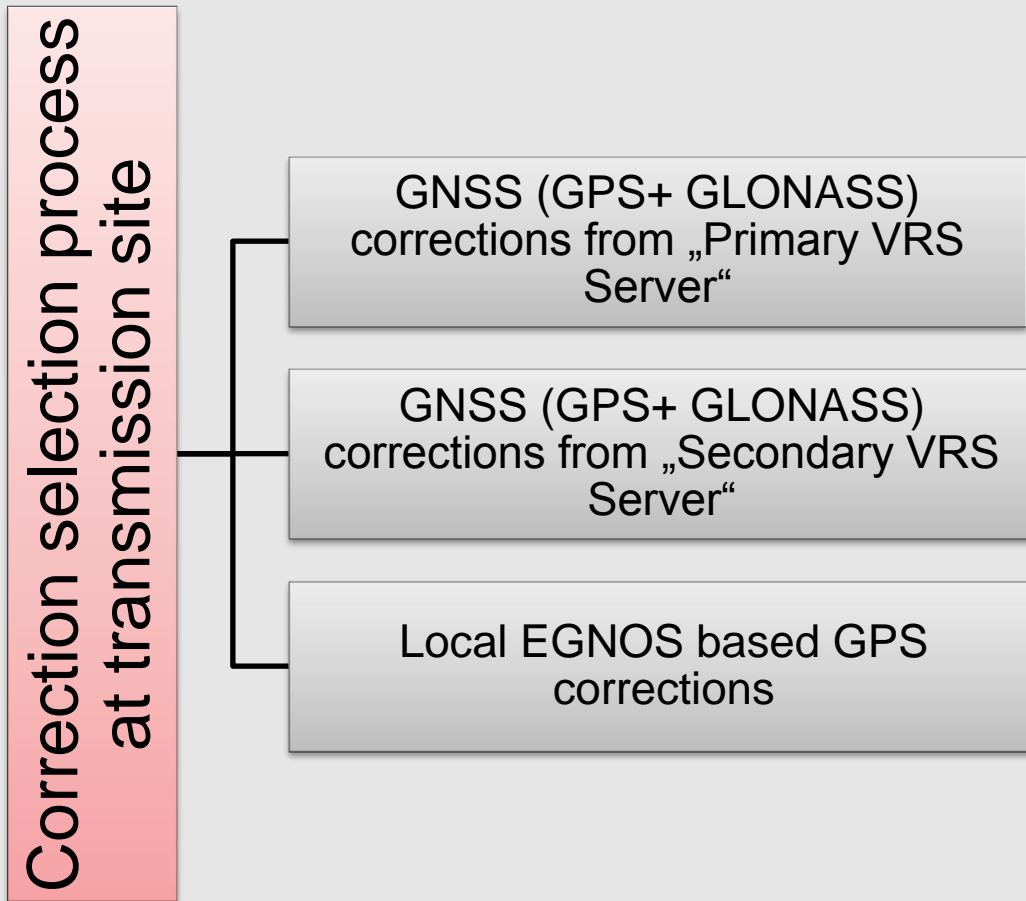
EGNOS provides GPS corrections in RTCA format from SIS

Transform RTCA into RTCM

Perform PBM with EGNOS corrections using the local GNSS raw data

Generate RTCM standard messages for output

GNSS correction selection hierarchies



Conclusions

- The existing German radio beacon network is currently based on the classic approach (old IALA R-121)
- Recapitalization is required and will be performed using the network approach based on VRS concept (new IALA R-121)
- To mitigate network limitations a local backup based on EGNOS SIS data will be used
- The WSV is currently implementing this solution for the IWW network

Thank you for your attention

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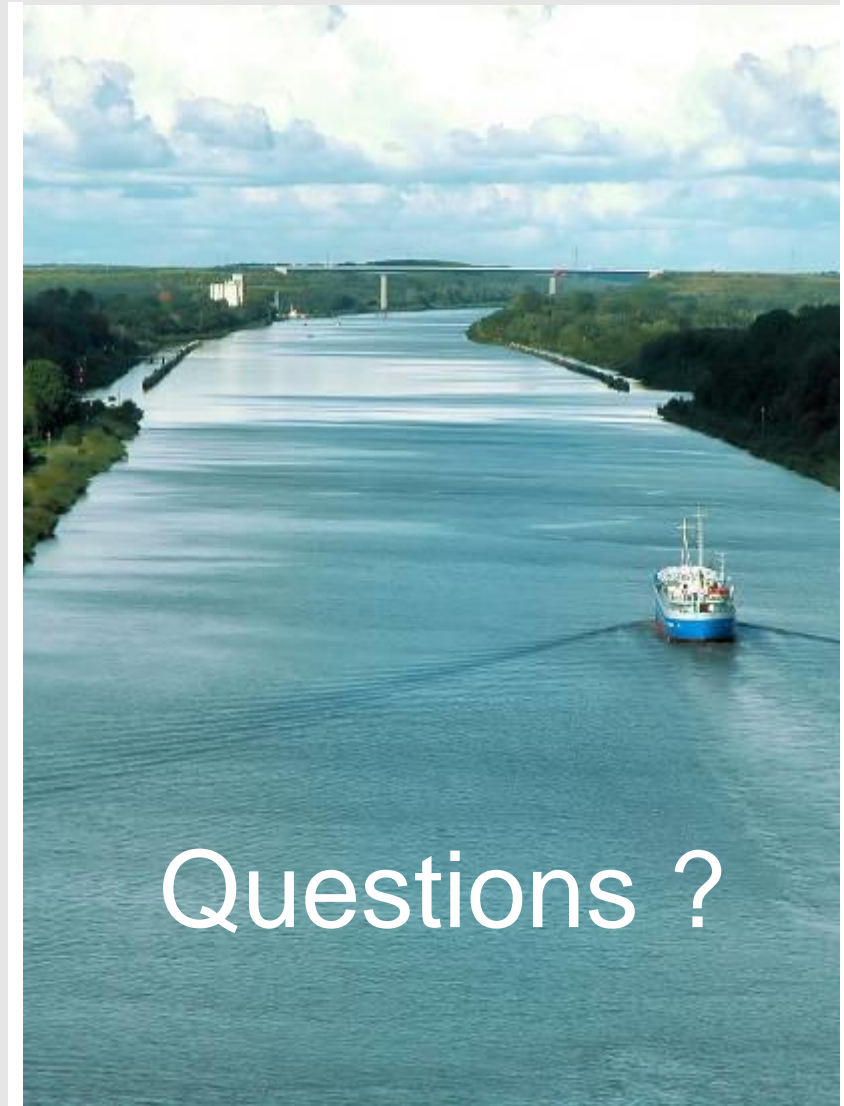
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