



EDAS-based DGPS service with pre-broadcast integrity monitoring

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Outline



Motivation

EGNOS for maritime navigation

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Pre-Broadcast Monitoring

EGNOS-VRS test campaign 2016

Hybrid approach

Maritime DGNSS modernisation



- More than 300 IALA DGNSS stations operating worldwide
- Some of the European IALA radio beacon networks are becoming obsolete (no spare parts available)
- IALA DGNSS re-capitalisation:

Classic approach

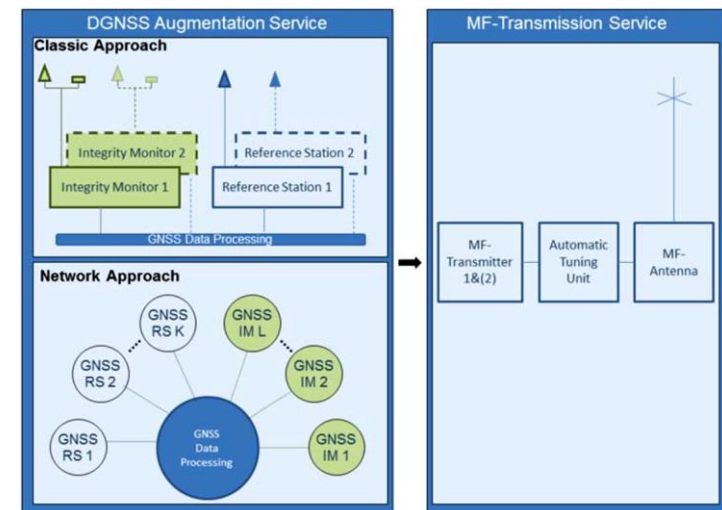
(correction generation at the transmission site)

- Hardware Reference Stations and Integrity Monitors (RSIM)
- Software RSIM

Service-based approach

(correction generation at a central server)

- Virtual Reference Stations (VRS)
- **SBAS integration**
- Need of a backup system at the transmission site



IALA Guideline No. 1112

EGNOS for maritime navigation



- SBAS is designed primarily for aviation use.
- EGNOS or EGNOS-VRS corrections could be used for maritime navigation if the maritime requirements are met.
- EGNOS-VRS positioning accuracy and availability performance assessed in 2014-2015 trials.
- Integrity information provided by SBAS systems is aviation centric. Integrity monitoring in accordance with maritime integrity concept has to be performed.
- 2016 July-August: new EGNOS-VRS test campaign focusing on integrity monitoring and extending the analysis period.

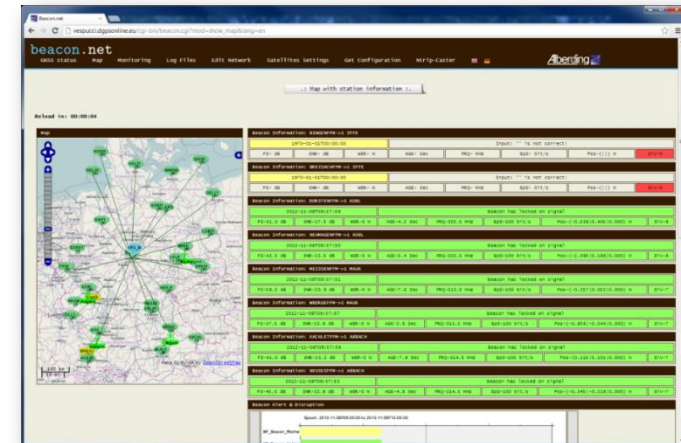


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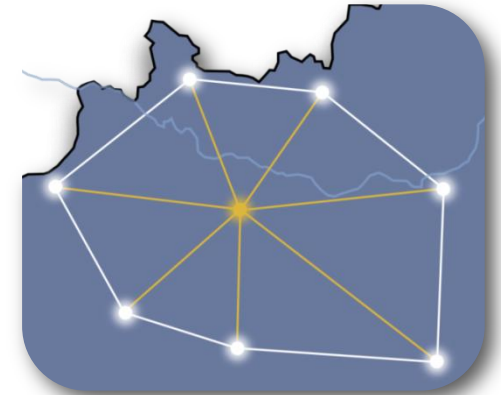
- GNSS software suite designed for the operation of maritime and inland waterway DGNS services
- Runs on a central server, implements multiple DGNS correction approaches:
 - Own DGNS network approach (VRS)
 - DGNS corrections from an existing network
 - Single DGNS reference stations
 - EDAS/EGNOS SIS (EGNOS VRS)
- Scalable, modular software that allows for a flexible system architecture



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- **GNSS raw data input**
 - IALA beacon stations
 - AIS DGPS base stations
 - Other GNSS reference stations
 - EGNOS RTCA from SiS or EDAS
- **VRS server**
 - Network DGNSS processing
 - Generation of virtual corrections
 - Supports EGNOS-VRS
- **Integrity monitoring**
 - Pre-broadcast monitoring (SV and position domains)
 - Far field monitoring (position and signal quality)
- **Data transmission**
 - IALA radio beacons, AIS, Ntrip (GPRS, WLAN)
 - RTCM 2.x, 3.x, AIS Type #17, etc.



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Pseudorange domain

PRC/RRC check

- During correction generation at the reference station side.
- If user-defined thresholds exceeded for an SV:
PRC and RRC fields immediately set to **"do-not-use"** values in RTCM output.

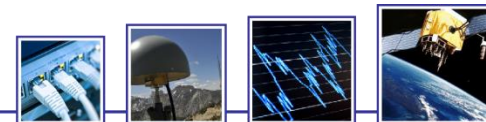
PRC/RRC residual check

- At the monitoring station side.
- If user-defined thresholds exceeded for an SV for a pre-set period of time:
PRC and RRC fields set to **"do-not-use"** values in RTCM output.

Output	Monitoring-Status (PBM)	Connection-Status	Last Error PRC/RRC [s]	Last Residual Error PRC/RRC [s]	Last Horizontal Error [m]
ALBA_101-FAERDER_VRS-IM		ALBA_101			0.26
DARE0-EARLS_HILL_STIRLING_VRS-IM		DARE0			0.09
DARE0-POINT_LYNAS_VRS-IM		DARE0			0.34
MLGA_1701-MALAGA_VRS-IM		MLGA_1701			0.23
OBE40-OBERSBACH_VRS-IM		OBE40			0.03
ONSA0-GOTEBORG1_VRS-IM		ONSA0			0.18
ONSA0-GOTEBORG2_VRS-IM		ONSA0			0.18
SCOA0-MACHICACO_VRS-IM		SCOA0			0.52
TLSA_3102-CAP_FERRET_VRS-IM		TLSA_3102			0.45
WTZRO-REGENSBURG_GRASS_VRS-IM		WTZRO			0.68

Monitored Output	
DARE0-EARLS_HILL_STIRLING_VRS-IM	
Monitor Data	Correction Data
DARE0 ▼	EARLS_HILL_STIRLING_VRS ▼
Correction Data	
Max PRC (≤ 10000)	60 m
Max RRC (≤ 4)	2 m/s
Monitor/Raw Data	
Max PRC Residual (≤ 150)	10 m
Max PRC Residual Delay ($10 \leq \text{delay} \leq 65$)	10 s
Max RRC Residual (≤ 10)	2 m/s
Max RRC Residual Delay ($10 \leq \text{delay} \leq 65$)	10 s
DGNS solution	
Max Position Difference (≤ 100)	10 m
Max Position Difference Delay ($5 \leq \text{delay} \leq 100$)	10 s

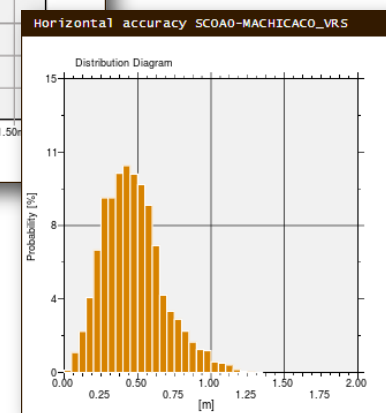
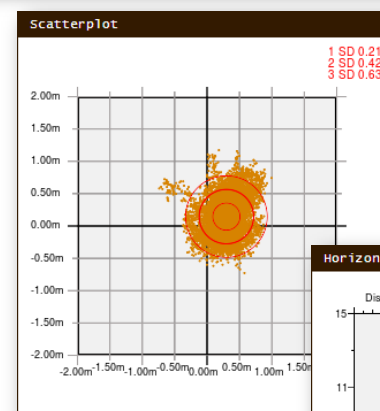
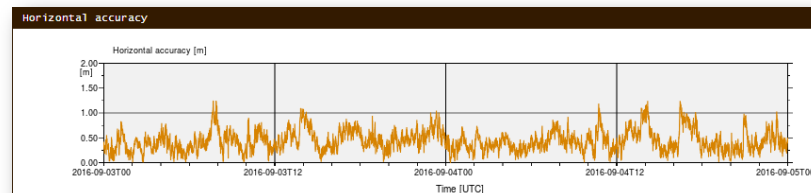
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Position domain

Horizontal position error check

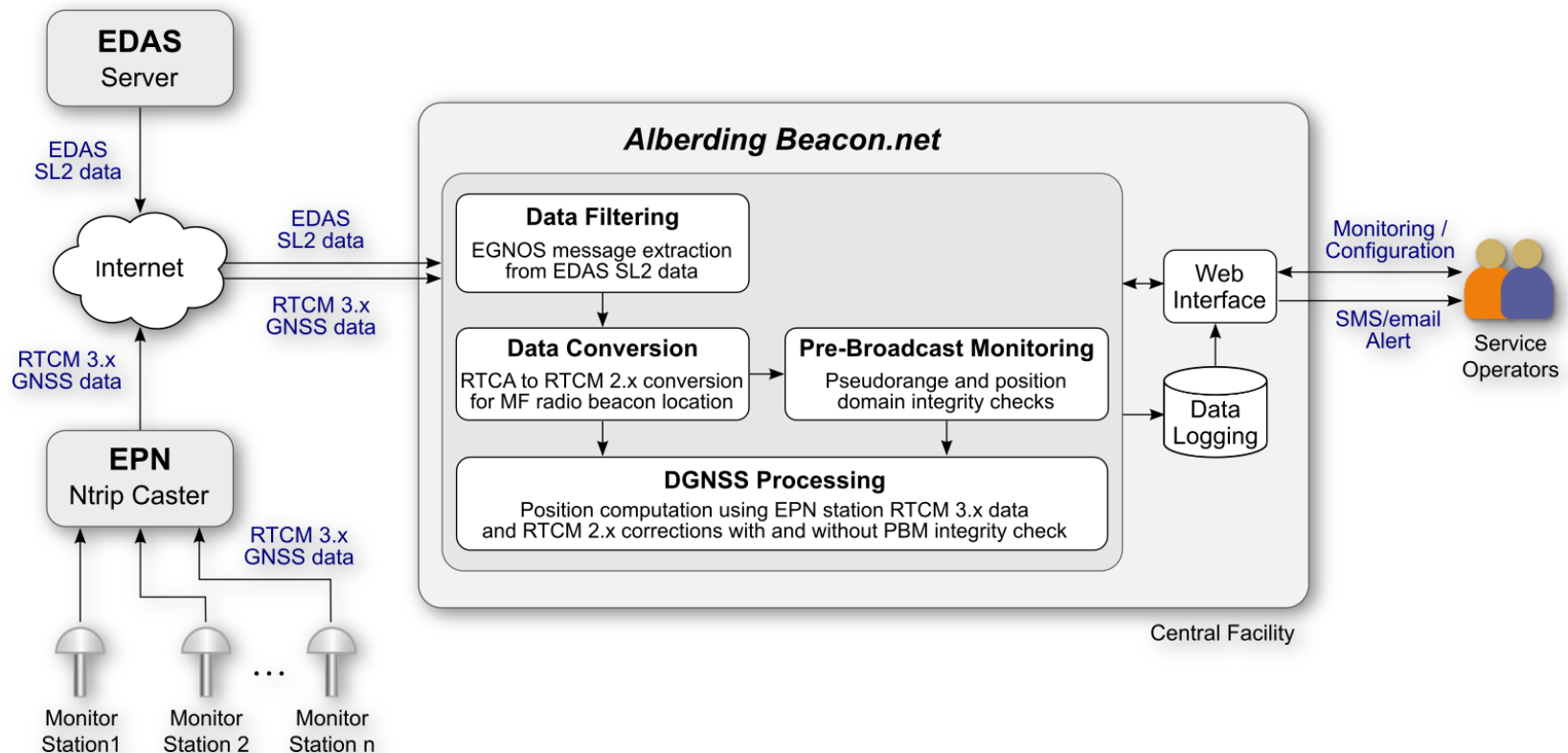
- At the monitoring station side.
- If the computed DGNSS position error exceeds a user-defined threshold for a pre-set period of time:
Reference station set to **"not working"** status in RTCM header.
- If the monitoring station is unavailable or no DGNSS position could be computed for a pre-set period of time:
Reference station set to **"not monitored"** status in RTCM header.



EGNOS-VRS test architecture



- EDAS RTCA data conversion to RTCM 2.x corrections (EGNOS-VRS) referenced to IALA beacon locations
- Integrity check (Pre-Broadcast Monitoring) using raw data from an independent network of monitoring stations



EGNOS-VRS test campaign 2016



Time period: 2 July – 13 August
(6 weeks)

Locations:

Rover station	EDAS-VRS location	Distance [km]	
ONSA	Göteborg	25	Maritime
ONSA	Færder	200	
DARE	Point Lynas	110	
DARE	Stirling	316	
SCOA	Cabo Machichaco	86	Inland
SCOA	Cap Ferret	135	
OBE4	Regensburg Grass	100	
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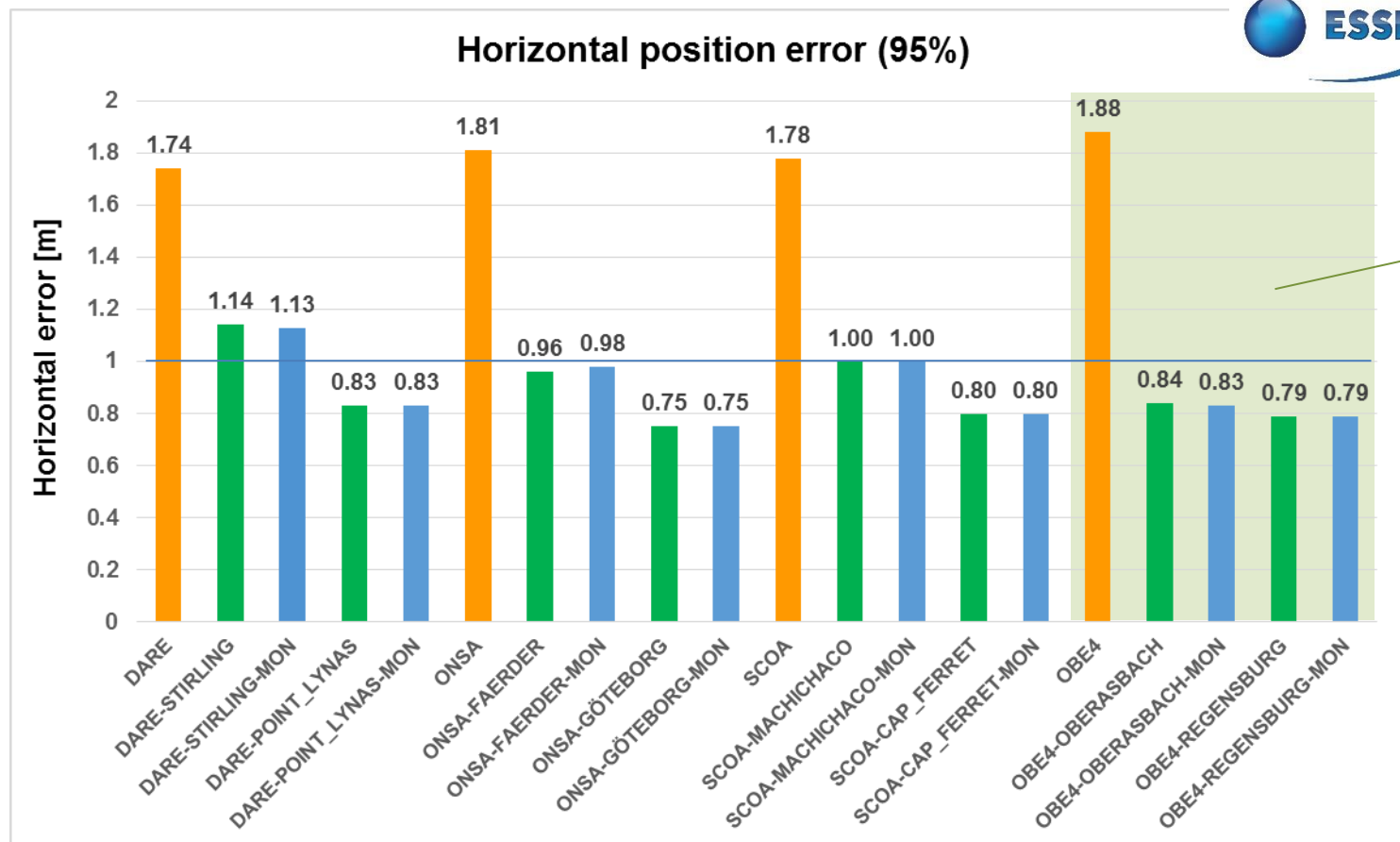
EDAS-VRS PBM settings



Parameter	Coastal	Inland
Max PRC [m]	60	40
Max RRC [m/s]	2	0.5
Max PRC Residual [m]	10	5
Max RRC Residual [m/s]	2	1
Max Horizontal Position Error [m]	10	2
Alert Interval [s]	10	10

Thresholds defined are based on the ranges proposed by IALA (Guideline No. 1112) and also on the Alberding know-how (considering other PBM implementations in Europe).

EDAS-VRS horizontal accuracy

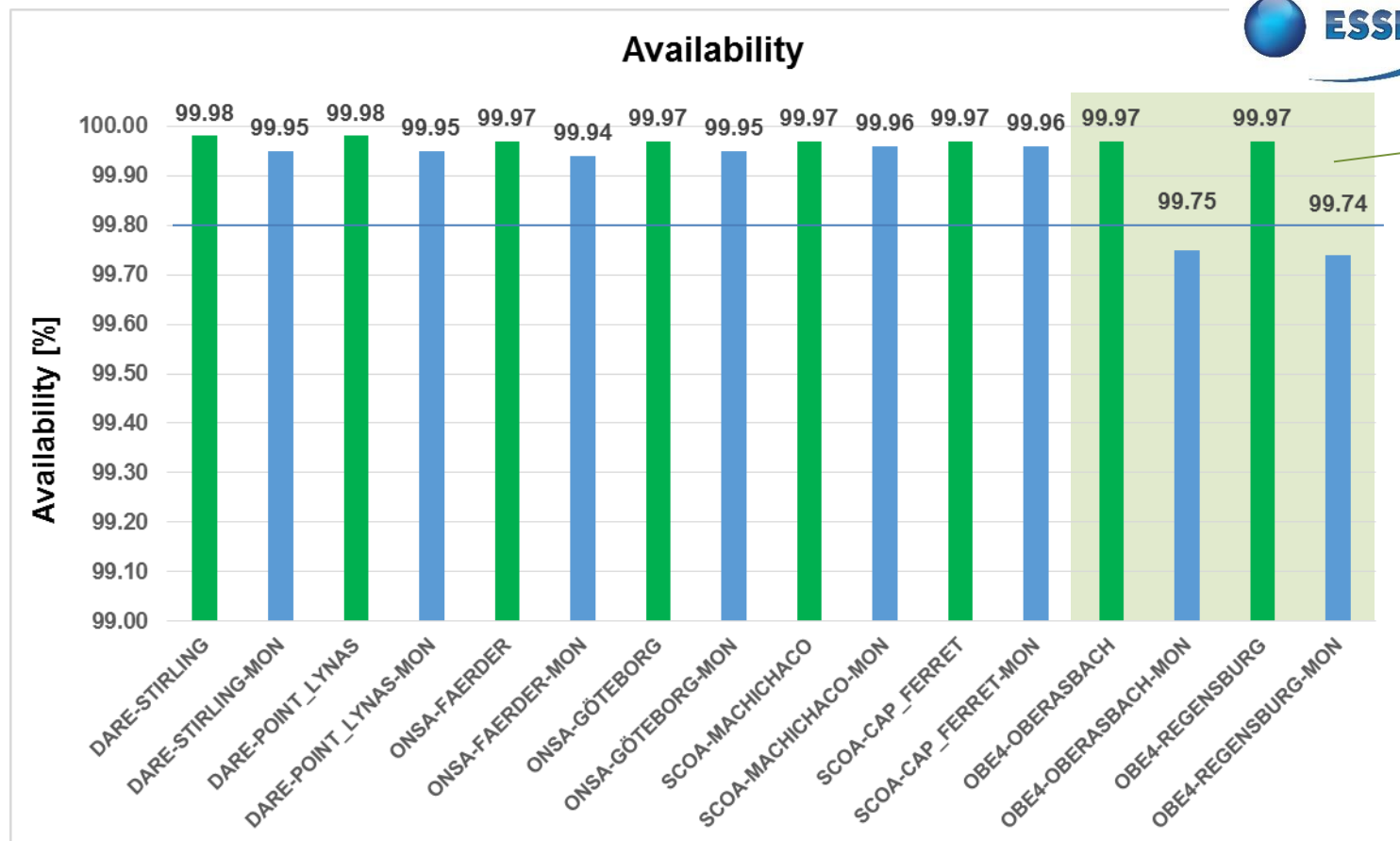


Inland

- █ Absolute GNSS
- █ EDAS-based VRS
- █ EDAS-based VRS with PBM

Statistical values computed by ESSP

EDAS-VRS availability

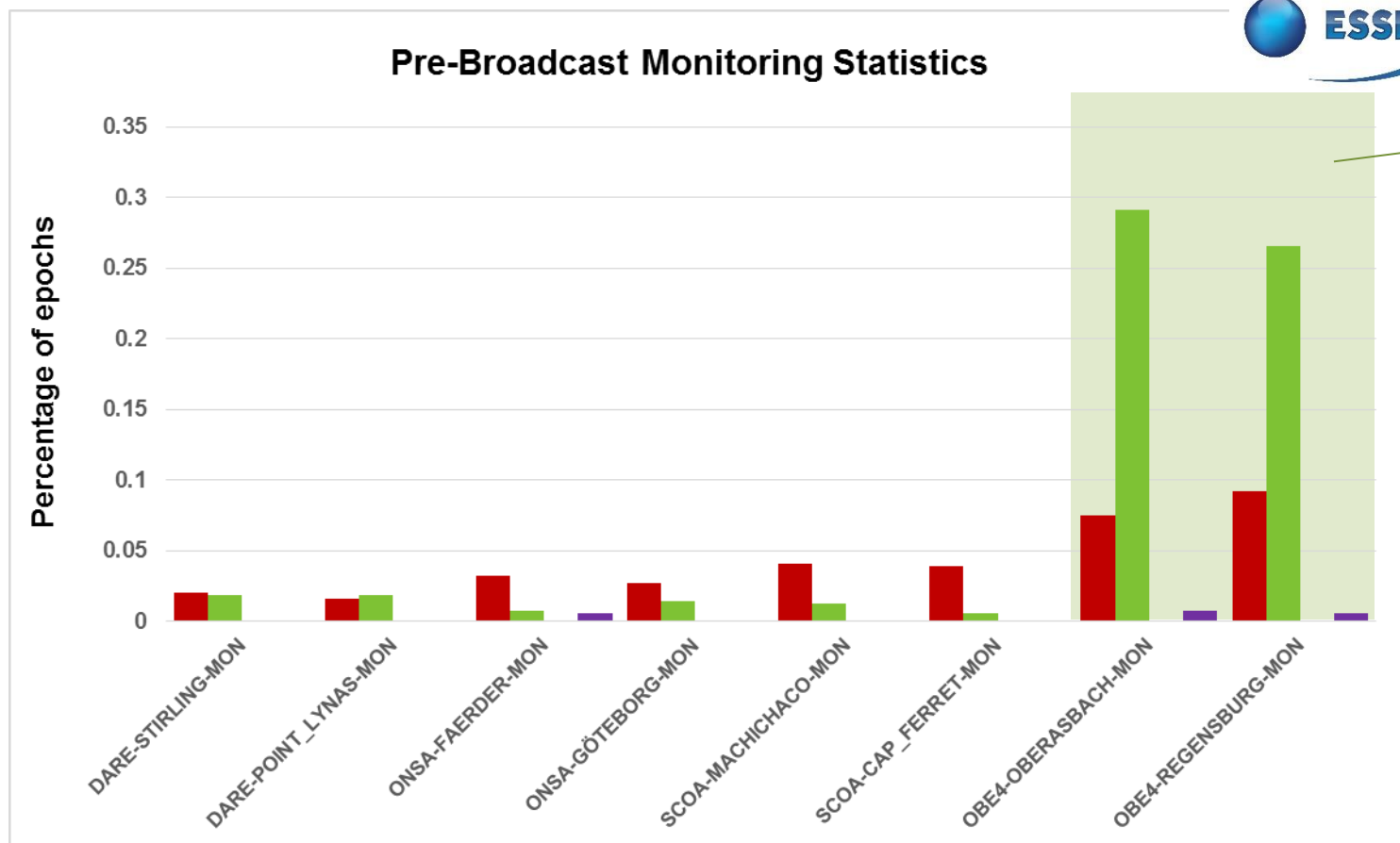


Inland

█ EDAS-based VRS
█ EDAS-based VRS with PBM

Statistical values computed by ESSP

EDAS-VRS PBM statistics



Inland

Statistical values computed by ESSP

- Station Not Monitored
- Position Error
- PRC/RRC Error
- PRC/RRC Residual Error

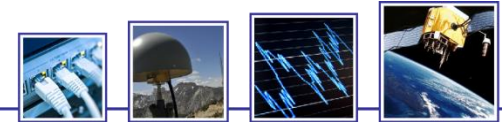


Test campaign conclusions



- EGNOS-VRS **Horizontal Position Error** (95%) was **below 1 m** on all baselines < 300 km (with and without PBM)
- EGNOS-VRS based DGNSS position solution **availability** with PBM
 - using **coastal** settings was **above 99.9%**
 - using **inland waterway** settings was above **99.7%** (as long as rover GNSS data was available)
- To achieve 99.8% availability highly **reliable communication lines** are required and a **local backup** receiver at the transmission site is recommended.
- **Integrity thresholds** shall be carefully defined (especially the position error threshold) since it may impact the availability performance.
- **Pseudorange domain** integrity failures affected **< 0.01%** of all epochs. This illustrates the quality of the EGNOS-Based VRS corrections.

Test campaign conclusions

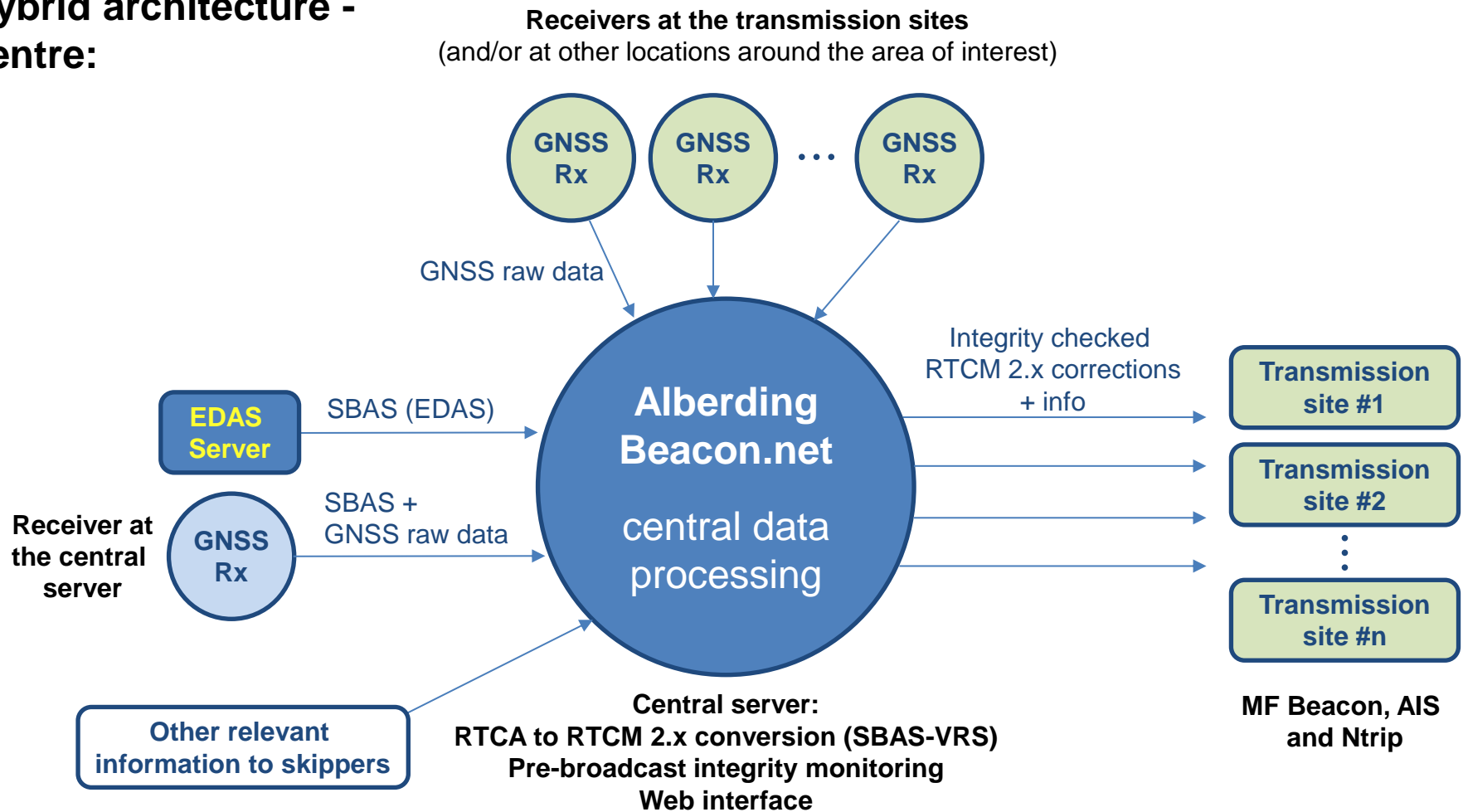


- EDAS could be used as part of a cost-effective solution (providing some room for the rationalization of the infrastructure), in line with the IALA recommendations and the accuracy (10 meters 95% for general navigation and even 1 meter for ports), availability (99.8%) and integrity requirements.
- For more details read:
J. Morán, E. Lacarra, J. Vázquez, M.A. Sánchez, F. Cantos and T. Horváth (2016) “EDAS for a DGPS maritime service: EGNOS-based VRS performance with pre-broadcast integrity monitoring.” Proceedings of the ION GNSS+ 2016 Conference, 12-16 September 2016, Portland, Oregon, U.S.A.

Alberding recommended solution



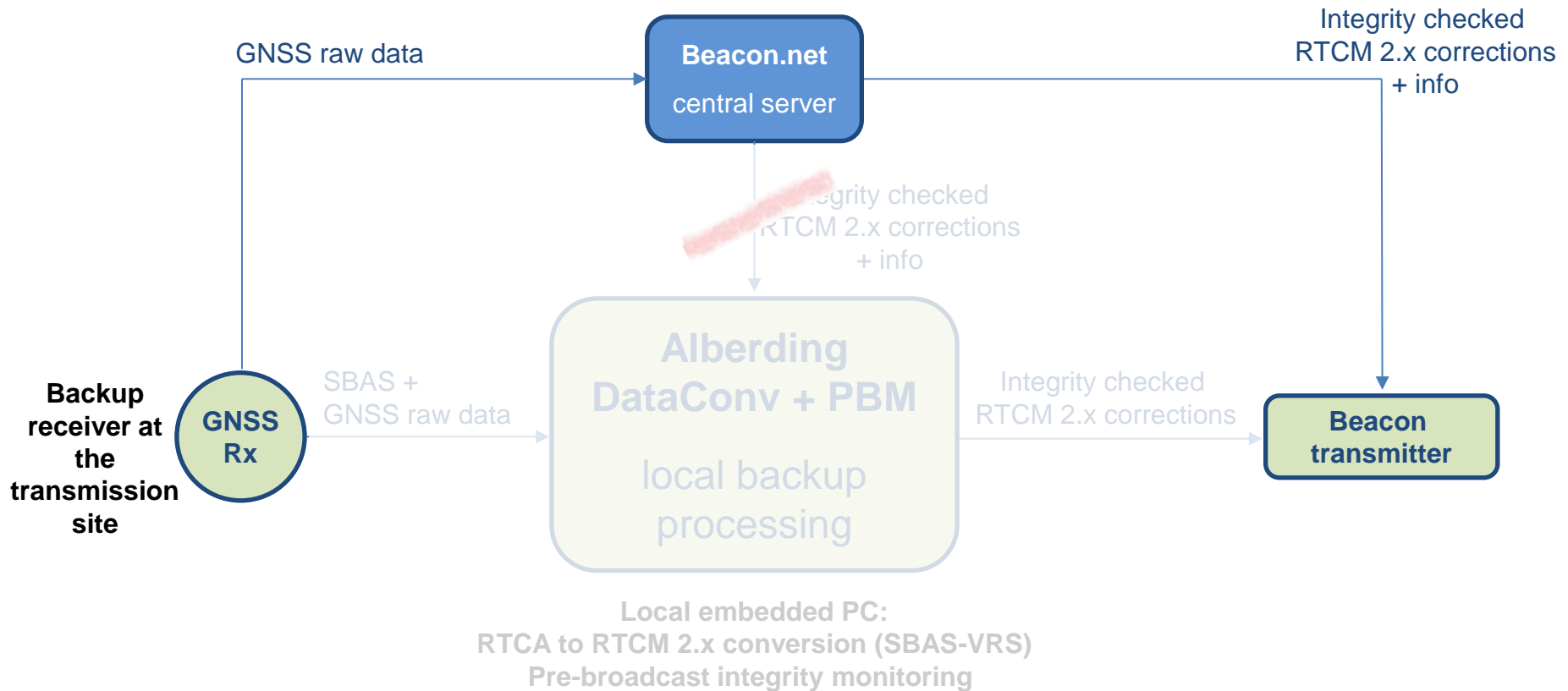
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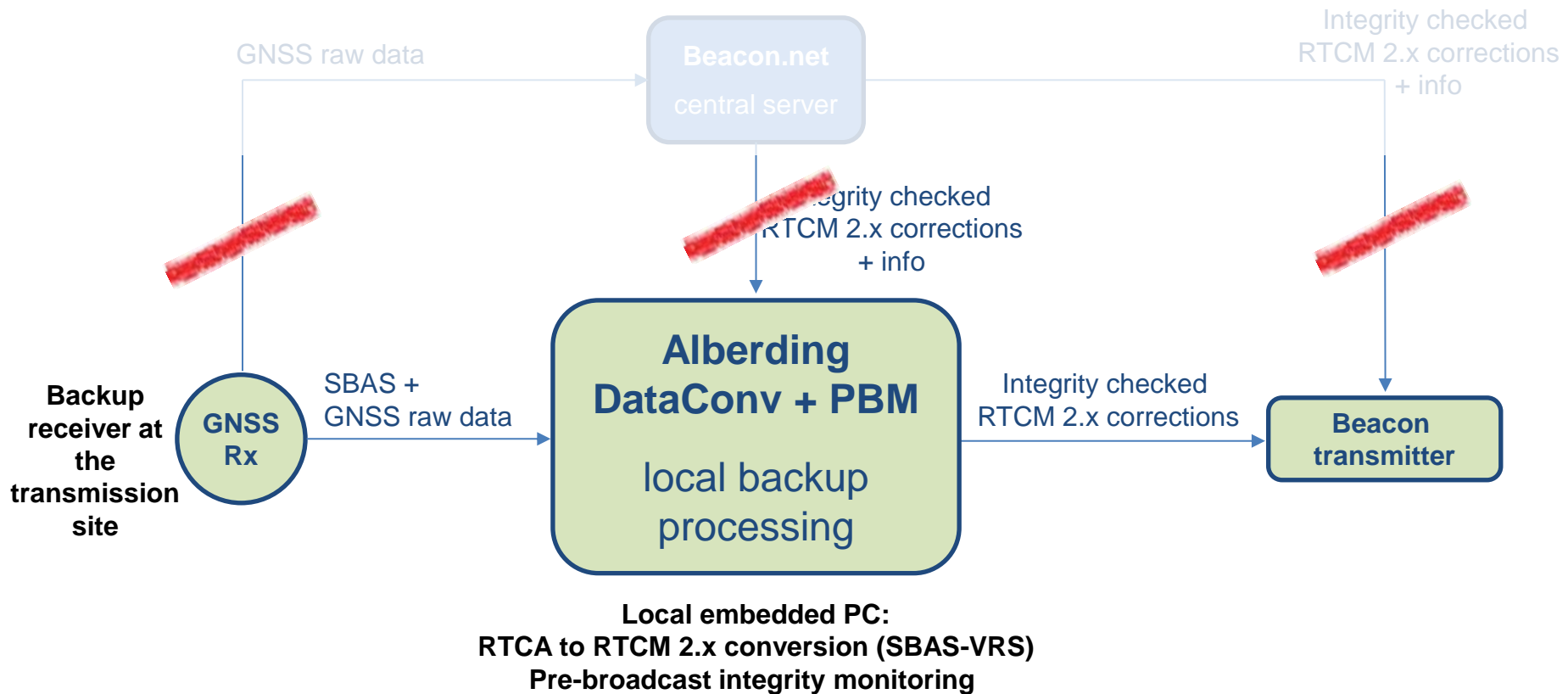
Hybrid architecture - transmission site:



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Hybrid architecture - transmission site:





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