# **EUROCONTROL Policy for GNSS In Europe**

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## **Presentation Overview**



- Use of GNSS in aviation applications
- GNSS policy
- GBAS
- SBAS (EGNOS)
- Transition to GNSS: implementation aspects





### **Military domain**



Based on GPS Precise Positioning Service (PPS) And Galileo Public Regulated Service (PRS).



### **GNSS** components in aviation and ICAO standards



## Use of GPS in European aviation today



- Around 70 % of European flights are made by aircraft equipped with GPS/RAIM.
- GPS offers a very efficient and nominally free service .....but current GNSS based on GPS only has some deficiencies impeding its comprehensive use in aviation:
  - ✓ single system/operator
  - $\checkmark$  single frequency
  - $\checkmark$  low power signals
  - ✓ number of satellites
  - ✓ lack of sufficient guarantees
- The use of GPS has been authorized in Europe since 1998, based on a Safety assessment, the existence of ICAO Standards and a letter with a political commitment sent from the US government to ICAO.
- Safety Case relies upon reversion to conventional navigation means.





# Safety is of paramount importance and GNSS can improve it further.



#### CFIT ALAs (continued, #2)

Vertical profile of some recent CFIT accidents/incidents



Runway

Proton	IFR		Non-	Total
Region	anpons	ILS.		Approaches
Africa	293	114	267	381
Canada/Alaska	373	124	<b>ì</b> 84	808
Eastern Europe	<u>255</u>	138	: QF	446
Western Europe	7 <u>29</u>	509	6	1,181
Latin America	1 <mark>33</mark>	<b>25</b>	21.5	310
Middle East	264	122	3 15	441
Pacific	198	120	33	453
South America	316	60)	456	516
South Pacific	347	88	301	389
USA	2,630	1,0 <u>29</u>	<b>5,705</b>	6,734
Total	5,538	2,329	9,330	11,659

ICAO Strategy: To replace NPAs by Baro VNAV or LPV approaches

# GNSS policy for Navigation applications in civil aviation



- May 2008: Agreement among aviation stakeholders in Europe:
- **Gradual** migration towards GNSS for all phases of flight as it will become **more robust** progressively.
- A multi-constellation and multi-frequency GNSS environment in 2020. Galileo signals will be used in combination with GPS and other GNSS components to have:
  - Better performance (accuracy, availability, continuity and integrity).
  - ✓ More robustness against vulnerabilities.
- User receivers will process signals from different GNSS constellations in diverse frequency bands in combination with augmentations, depending on individual business cases and the phase of flight.
- **Final goal** is its use as **sole service** to the extent that this can be shown to be the **most cost beneficial** solution and if supported by successful **safety** and **security** analyses.
- A rationalised terrestrial infrastructure must be retained for the foreseeable future.





## **GNSS** vulnerabilities: impact on aviation



- Need for dual RNAV equipment for continuity
- Need for dual sensor (e.g. DME/DME+GNSS) RNAV equipment
- Need to keep ILSs and DMEs
- Need to assess effectiveness of contingencies
- Need to characterise GNSS signals failures



# GBAS (Ground Based Augmentation System)





■ ILS (Instrumental Landing Systems) are providing a very efficient service in many European airports, but are facing some problems (e.g. multipath effects, frequency spectrum).

Airports may overcome these problems by implementing GBAS for low visibility operations.

Multi-constellation GBAS for CAT II/III.

- EUROCONTROL policy on GBAS is to support a progressive and cost effective transition from ILS towards GBAS by supporting the development of:
  - Advanced concept of operations
  - Safety assessments
  - Technical and standardisation aspects
  - Airborne aspects
  - Operational implementation

The implementation of GBAS can be economically viable for an increasing number of airports and airspace users.



**Green:** GBAS in Operation Blue: GBAS Research/Test Yellow S-CAT I in Operation



## SBAS Space Based Augmentation System



- EGNOS can provide operational benefits and be a cost-effective option for "small" aircraft (e.g. General Aviation, Business jets, Regional Airlines) and to retrofit some old "big" aircraft.
- EGNOS provides little performance benefit to Air Transport aircraft and most of the airlines do not plan to invest in EGNOS.
- EGNOS LPV procedures to be published by 2010.
- Uncertainties about EGNOS in terms of date of its operational introduction, life-time period, institutional issues and charging policy are impeding some ANSPs and airspace users to take their business decisions.

Individual business cases will determine the suitability of EGNOS for each aviation stakeholder.





## **Transition to GNSS: Implementation aspects**





Today

2015

2020



## Summary



Gradual transition towards GNSS to support more demanding navigation, surveillance and timing applications.....as we get better performance and more robustness in a multi-constellation and multi-frequency environment.

GNSS baseline configuration for aviation and future GNSS receiver architecture to be agreed by stakeholders to allow a cost effective transition (one main driver to reduce avionics related costs).

■ Final goal (very long term) is sole service concept to the extent that this can be shown to be the most cost beneficial solution and if supported by successful safety and security analyses.

