

2007 discharge: European GNSS Supervisory Authority GSA

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PURPOSE: to present the final accounts of the European GNSS (Global Navigation Satellite System) Supervisory Authority for the financial year 2007.

CONTENT: this document sets out a detailed account of the implementation of the Authority's budget for the financial year 2007, which can be summarised as follows:

(1) Final budget: EUR 210 million, including a 4% Community subsidy.

(2) Staff: the Authority, which is based in Brussels (Belgium), officially set out 46 posts in its establishment plan. 39 of those posts are currently occupied + 10 other posts (contract agents, seconded national experts and interim staff).

(3) Activities in 2007: the Authority concentrated on the following activities:

Galileo system:

- support to the Commission regarding the alternatives for Galileo after termination of the Concession negotiations and regarding preparation of the Full-Operational-Capability deployment phase;
- restart of the formal Mission Requirements Document Change Control Board;
- launch of Galileo Performance Monitoring and Analysis Facility;
- contribution to task forces and work groups for frequencies;
- certification requirements and certification plan for the Committee on Galileo Certification;
- draft standards for Galileo in aviation and maritime sectors.

European Geostationary Navigation Overlay System (EGNOS):

- structuring of the EGNOS operational phase through agreement of a baseline for the EGNOS framework agreement between the Authority, the Commission, the ESA and the Egnos Operator and Infrastructure Group;
- assistance to the Commission for the EGNOS master-plan;
- update of the EGNOS System Safety Case (issuance of the EGNOS certification plan and new versions of the Design Safety Case and Operations Safety Case);
- modification to EGNOS Mission Requirements Document;
- monitoring of the EGNOS operations qualification;
- production of a statement of work for the contract with the future EGNOS service provider.

Systems security:

- establishment of the System Safety and Security Committee and participation in the Galileo Security Board;
- technical management of the System specific Security Requirements Statement for Galileo;
- production, validation and application of security documents for EGNOS;
- definition of the Galileo Security Monitoring Centre.

Market development:

- definition of market development tools;
- support to EGNOS market entry.

Research and development:

- management of 61 projects under the 6th framework program for research transferred by the Galileo Joint Undertaking;
- preparation and launch of the 1st call for GNSS R&D under the 7th framework programme for research;
- implementation of a web-based knowledge management and dissemination tool.

The complete version of the final accounts may be found at the following address: <http://www.gsa.europa.eu/>