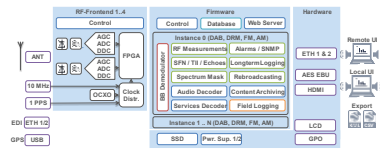# Product Line DAB Monitoring Receiver RF-DAB

RF-DAB monitoring receiver

RF-DAB is a professional DAB monitoring receiver for transmitter, content and field monitoring. Its modular design enables flexible configuration for various specific applications.

Key Features

Depending on the configuration, the following key features are available:

- Field proven DAB demodulator
- Extensive RF measurements
- SFN absolute and relative timing measurements
- Up to 4 RF & several EDI inputs in parallel
- Simultaneous decoding of all audio and data services
- Complete EDI reconstruction from RF
- Browser-based HTML5 user interface with remote audio and data streaming
- Parallel DAB/FM support
- Available as virtual machine

Applications

- Transmitter monitoring
- RF measurements and synchronization monitoring
- Content verification and monitoring
- Listen to DAB over IP
- Relay (ball) reception, e.g. for FM
- Over-the-air EDI reconstruction for DAB rebroadcasting
- Geo-referenced field measurements
- Long-term logging and analysis
- Fulfils legal requirements for broadcast archiving

Basic Software Features

Common Features

- Stand-alone monitoring receiver for reception analysis and content verification
- NTP synchronization
- Field proven demodulator
- Browser based configuration and services decoding. No installation of software necessary.
- Multi-decoder configuration possible

- Proven long-term stability
- Firmware update via remote GUI
- Extendible to work with RFarchiver for long-term content logging
- Fully compliant to DAB standards family (ETSI EN 300 401)

DAB Decoder

- Decoding status
- Display of all services
- Audio decoding of a single service
- Streaming of audio as AAC
- Decoding of DL/TM(+), Journaline®, Slideshow, Broadcast Website, SPI, TPEG(optional)
- Full ensemble EDI output to Ethernet
- DCP/EDI output via Ethernet (including multicast support)

Advanced GUI

The advanced graphical user interface (GUI) is designed to provide the full experience of a modern and professional measurement device:

- State-of-the-art HTML5 technology
- No software / plug-in installation necessary
- Same browser based advanced GUI remotely and locally (if available)
- Touchscreen and mouse capability
- Adapts to different screen sizes
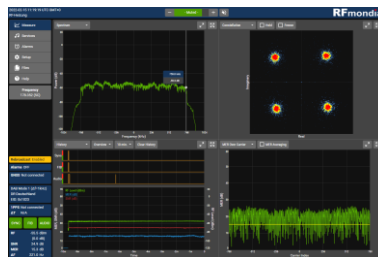
Remote Control

- Full remote control via Ethernet
- Browser-based user interface
- SNMP (Get, Set, Treewalk)
- Control via DCP/UDP

Hardware

RF-Frontend

Parameter	Value
Input frequency range	168-240 MHz
	up to 261 MHz (opt.)
	1452-1492 MHz (opt.)
Max. input level	+0 dBm
Max. input level	-15 dBm

for optimal decoding	
Sensitivity	-96 dBm
IIP3	-15 dBm typ.
Noise figure	2.2 dB

Front Panel Signaling

- LCD display with status information and IP address
- LED status

Interfaces

- Antenna 50 Ohm, N connector
- 1 Ethernet & 1 Ethernet (optional)
- USB
- 10 MHz input, max. 5V, BNC
- Optional:
- 1 PPS input, max. 5V, BNC
- Displayport / HDMI
- Digital audio output AES/EBU XLR
- Internal GNSS
- External GNSS input 10 MHz, 1 PPS, NMEA
- ETI in / out

Power Supply Input

- Auto-sensing supply, 100 VAC to 240 VAC, 50-60 Hz
- DC input (optional)
- Redundant power supply (optional)
- Power consumption 1 decoding instance: 35 W typ., 45W. max.
- Power consumption 2 decoding instances: 45 W typ., 55W. max.

Mechanical

- Aluminum extrusion front bezel
- Industrial 19" 1RU, rack mountable
- 420 (483) x 250 x 44 mm
- Weight: 5.5 kg
- Operating temperature: 0 – 50°C
- Humidity: 20 – 80% non-condensing
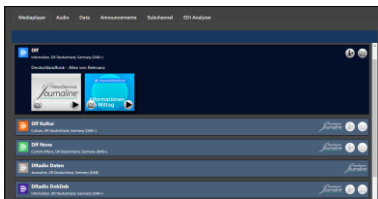
Options

RF Measurements (RFM)

The option RFM includes high quality measurements on various stages of the reception and decoding chain:

- Either four window view or full screen display of diagrams.
- Relevant measurement values are available on SNMP.
- A comprehensive and configurable band-scan.

High quality measurements on various stages of the reception and decoding chain:

- Spectrum and spectrum waterfall
- QAM constellation
- Channel impulse response
- RF input power (storable offset)
- Frequency offset
- SNR
- MER (> 45 dB)
- MER over carrier
- TII decoding
- BER (MSC, FIC) before Viterbi
- BER (Audio, FIB) after Viterbi

Advanced Application Decoder (AAD)

The option AAD enhances the device with an integrated professional audio and data services decoder, based on Fraunhofer technology:

- Parallel full ensemble decoding and access to all audio and data services
- Multi-user, browser-based decoding of all audio and data services
- Display of audio related information, e.g. audio rate, sampling rate, mode
- Streaming of selected audio service
- Parallel streaming of all audio services in AAC/WAV format
- Service information (Labels, Service country, Program Type)
- Journaline®, MOT Slideshow, Broadcast Website, EPG/SPI
- Transparent Data Channel (TDC)
- Optional: TPEG
- Announcements and Emergency Warning Feature (EWF)
- PAD and NPAD, primary and secondary services
- Display of all audio levels, data services and subchannels in parallel
- Storage of Dynamic Label for the last 7 days
- Comprehensive analysis of Service Following informationn
- Statistical information of each service
- Relevant audio and data parameter are available on SNMP
- Audio decoding: MPEG-1 Audio Layer 2 (DABclassic), HE AAC v2 (DAB+), each incl. MPEG Surround
- Optional: DMB-Audio
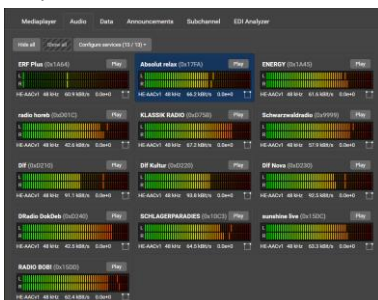

Local GUI and Audio (LGA)

The option LGA enhances the device for local monitoring via a connected touchscreen and one digital AES/EBU XLS audio outputs:

- Displayport / HDMI output
- Touch functionality via USB
- Local AES/EBU XLR audio output
- Requires ET2 option

Alarm System (ALM)

The option ALM enhances the receiver to a flexible, multi-level, built-in alarm system:

- Configurable thresholds
- Measurements/content parameters, e.g. MER, input level, BER, audio level, single stream data rate, announcements, detailed data services parameter
- Monitoring on multiplex and subchannel level possible
- Alarm and status signaling via SNMP (Traps, Informs)
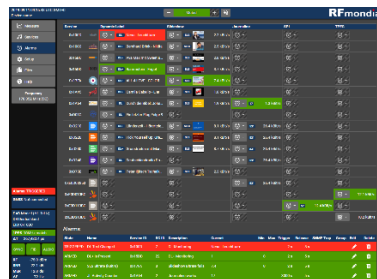
SFN monitoring (SFN)

The option SFN provides single frequency network synchronization monitoring based on channel impulse response, timing information and TII:

- Relative SFN synchronization monitoring
- Absolute time offset monitoring (max. 120sec. depending on multiplexer) with 0.5 µs precision using 1 PPS
- Display of echoes, Null symbol and 1 PPS drift
- Alarms on echoes, SFN drift, and TII
- Alarm and status signaling via SNMP (Traps, Informs)
- Requires RFM option
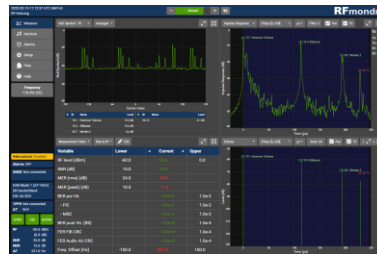
Field Measurements (FIM)

The option FIM provides a comprehensive tool set for mobile field measurements:

- Delivery with USB GPS mouse
- 12VDC input in addition to VAC
- Recording of geo-referenced measurements to file
- Live DCP/UDP output of measurements

- Export of selected tags (e.g. audio frame error, MER, field strength) in KML and CSV format
- Import to Google Earth possible
- Requires RFM option, excludes RPS
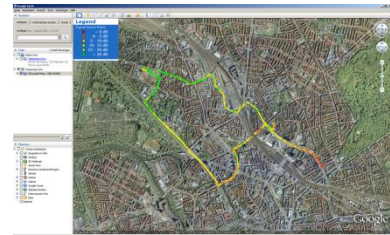
EDI Input (EDI)

This option enables EDI reception via DCP/UDP protocol conform to ETSI TS 102 693:

- DCP/EDI input via Ethernet and file
- Multipath capable
- Full service and data decoding
- In-depth statistics and alarms on DCP

ETI (G.703/704) (ETI)

The option ETI provides ETI (G.703/G.704) input and output hardware interfaces.

- ETI input hardware interface
- ETI output hardware interface

ETI Analyzer (EAN)

The ETI Analyzer option parses STI/ETI/EDI content from RF or UDP and performs an in-depths analysis:

- Service structure (services, service components, signaling)
- MSC layout (position within MSC, protection level)
- Announcement information (when was which announcement signaled)
- Service linking information
- Dynamic PTy information
- List of all FIGs
- MNSC information
- Checking for correct and consistent FIC signaling. Various protocol levels.
- Conversion of EDI/ETI
- Requires AAD option

Mask Measurement (MAM)

The option MAM provides spectrum mask compliance and crest factor measurements as well as a calibrated power level:

- ±3 MHz spectrum mask compliance measurement according to ETSI EN 302077
- ±1 dB power level measurement
- Crest factor measurement
- Power distribution CCDF for TX crest factor measurements
- Requires additional hardware

Long-term logging / analysis (LOG)

The option LOG provides all RF measurements and content information to be logged for 31 days:

- Display of measurements and statistics over time
- Time interval extension possible
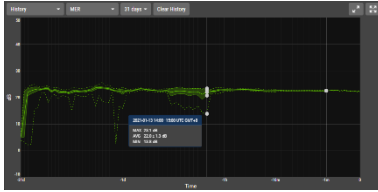
IQ file logging / playback (IQF)

The option IQF provides RF input signal logging to IQ file as well as baseband file replay:

- Logging of baseband IQ to file
- Playback of baseband IQ files with all analysis possibilities
- Input and output streaming of IQ via UDP
- Playback of arbitrary sample-rate baseband WAV-files
- Extended storage (optional)

Rebroadcasting (RBC)

- With the option RBC the DCP output can be used to feed a transmitter for rebroadcasting and partly overwriting the received multiplex:
- Reconstruction of EDI/MDI and timing
- Highly configurable extension to replace ensemble and/or data/program service IDs in the DCP output stream
- Adjustable DCP transmission offset
- Configurable via the GUI
- Automatic fragmentation to adapt to network MTU (1500B)

Multi Instance Operation (MIx)

The option Mix enhances the device to be able to operate more than one demodulation instance in parallel. Depending on the frontend, various configurations are possible:

- Input to instance can be RF or IP/DCP
- Demodulation can be DAB, DRM, FM, AM
- Independent advanced GUI, alarm system and SNMP per instance
- Summarizing multi-view
- Shared hardware and system related functionalities

Ball Receiver (BAL)

The option BAL enhances the receiver to a comprehensive Ball Receiver:

- 2 AES/EBU XLR outputs
- 2 selectable audio services
- Smart conversion of DL/TM or Journaline content for RDS

- Requires AAD option

Digital output option (DOO)

- The option DOO provides feeding decoded data services to UDP and/or TCP for external processing (e.g. for an external SSR-receiver).
- Requires AAD option.

Second Network Interface (ET2)

- The option ET2 adds a separate circuit board with a second network, and an XLR AES/EBU output interface
- Add second physical network interface (100Mb/s)
- LGA is necessary to use the XLR output

Redundant power supply (RPS)

The option RPS comprises two fully internal redundant power supplies with automatic switchover and monitoring:

- Add second internal AC power supply with dedicated AC input port
- Power supply status monitoring and alarm
- Excludes FIM option

General Purpose Outputs (GPO)

This option adds general purpose outputs to the device:

- 15 pin SUB-D connector
- Outputs freely configurable in the alarm system
- Requires ALM option

Virtualization (VIR)

The option VIR is especially targeted for content monitoring and verification of EDI streams:

- Delivered as virtual machine image, without hardware
- Software protection via USB dongle
- In combination with option Mix, many EDI inputs can be monitored on one machine
- Support of multi-port network dongle servers

Archiver (ARC)

The archiver functionality is an uncomplicated solution to fulfil the logging task of your broadcasting content in a fully digital manner. Designed for the enhanced audio and multimedia services of digital radio (DAB/DRM), the system can directly store one or several DCP streams for a specified period of time.

- Digital storage of DCP streams (EDI/MDI) for a configurable time frame
- Independent of operating system: usage of WebAudio and Javascript
- Easy remote access: access to live and historical data is available from any location
- Access: direct access to each second as well as live access
- Download: Download of DCP streams, download of selected audio service as wave- or MP3-file

- Streaming: Streaming of selected stream via DCP/UDP from server
- Length of archiving period (max. 90 days) is configurable
- Requires ~2TB HDD per instance

Ordering Information

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