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What is an ETI File?

ETI files (Ensemble Transport Interface) provide a standardised (ETSI ETS 300 799) method for the distribution of a DAB or DAB+ Ensemble from the output of a multiplexer to the input of a modulator/transmitter.

An ETI stream can be recorded at multiplexer/switch output and modulator/transmitter input; it allows comprehensive analysis of the full ensemble, including: frame characteristics, timestamps, error status, signalling, as well as all audio, data and video services. Using proprietary and commercially available software tools, ETI files can be analysed for diagnostics and test/development purposes. An ETI file can also be replayed into a modulator to provide a local on-air signal for receiver testing, demonstrations and exhibitions.

What is the WorldDAB ETI Library?

The WorldDAB ETI Library is an online collection of ETI files containing real-world samples of live on-air ensembles from different countries that provide a true representation of what is actually happening in practice. The library also contains ETI files configured with multiplexing equipment from specific manufacturers, as well as test files that can be used for demonstration and testing purposes. Users of the files have access also to the body of expertise and advice from the community of WorldDAB members. The files are maintained by a dedicated WorldDAB Task Force within the WorldDAB Technical Committee, and new files are added on a regular basis.

What benefits does the WorldDAB ETI Library offer Manufacturers?

The WorldDAB ETI Library assists receiver manufacturers in testing their products ensuring they include a minimum set of function requirements, making them compatible on a pan-European and worldwide basis, as well as compatible with relevant national or regional legislation or directives.

What benefits does the ETI Library offer Broadcasters?

Broadcasters can use the WorldDAB ETI files to check their own transmissions for conformity, further reducing the risk of inconsistent reception that could arise from complex configuration of the digital broadcasting systems, ensuring receivers operate correctly within their markets.

What files are currently available in the WorldDAB ETI Library?

A list of ETI files in the Library is available on the WorldDAB website. New files from around the world and from different manufacturers are added on a regular basis.

How to use the ETI library?

WorldDAB members can freely access and download ETI files from the Library, after accepting the Terms and Conditions (see below) for the ETI library. The file collection consists of two segments. 'Test files' are ensemble configurations for testing of specific use cases. 'Country snapshots' represent on-air ensembles complete with services and full broadcast configuration.

Access to the ETI library is a member-only benefit; to find out about the benefits of becoming a member of WorldDAB, please visit our website <http://www.worlddab.org/membership>.

How to contribute a file to the ETI library?

World DAB members can upload an ETI file with a personal login at the member's area of the WorldDAB website. Alternatively a download link can be sent by e-mail to the ETI library administrators at eti.admin@worlddab.org. URLs sent by e-mail must be valid for 7 days. All contributors are asked to provide essential information on the uploaded ETI file in the form fields or within the notification e-mail.

ETI files will be validated by the administrators before being added to the file collection.

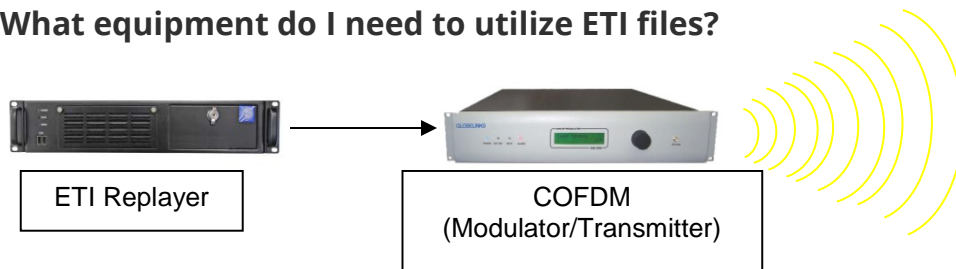
What are the ETI file format details?

Only ETI-NI files are accepted for the WorldDAB ETI library. An ETI-NI file is a binary data file which consists of only fixed size ETI-NI frames without any header. At a minimum, a file should at least record 5,000 frames, worth 2 minutes of ensemble play time. Longer files may be useful and should be provided for specific use cases, such as extensive FIG data or data services. File contributions should use ZIP compression to reduce the physical file size; contributors are requested to provide use case information and description of the ETI file in the ZIP archive.

How is the ETI library maintained?

The WorldDAB ETI library is overseen by the Technical Committee that has established a taskforce (TF ETI Files) for the technical work. Select members of the TF are handling the administrative work of the ETI library, such as validating file contributions. The TF ETI Files provides the technical forum to discuss specifics of ensemble configurations and compliance questions. WorldDAB member nominated representatives are invited to join the TF.

What equipment do I need to utilize ETI files?



To replay the ETI files to your DAB modulator, you will need an ETI Replayer. Some modulator/ transmitters that are designed for testing purposes incorporate an internal ETI Player. To play the ETI file you must upload it onto the lab modulator/ transmitter (e.g., via network or USB memory stick) and the lab modulator/transmitter directly plays the ETI file.

To record ETI files, you need an ETI Recorder. WorldDAB members offering professional equipment to create, record and play-back ETI files can be found on the WorldDAB website under 'Products/Professional equipment'¹

¹ <<https://www.worlddab.org/products/professional-equipment>>

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