

WorldDAB Position Paper on the FIG 0/13 Feature

At its meeting on 1st July 1999, the Eureka 147 Executive Committee adopted a new feature of the Eureka 147 DAB system, which provides a universal signalling mechanism for all present and future multimedia services and applications. This feature termed FIG 0/13, allows the DAB system to broadcast not only perfect sound radio quality programmes but also any programme-associated and/or independent multimedia services, in particular where the receiver mobility is the important requirement. This new feature will shortly be standardised by the European Telecommunications Standards Institute (ETSI)."

The introduction of FIG 0/13 in practice will require a concerted and synchronised action of broadcasters, network providers and receiver manufacturers. It is understood that different commercial interests of introducing new multimedia DAB services in different countries will require different implementation strategies and time scales.

The Eureka 147 Project encourages all the players to introduce this feature as soon as possible and expects that FIG 0/13 will be implemented as a general practice no later than Spring 2001, being approximately one year following the publication by ETSI of the third revision of ETS 300 401.

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