



Joint WorldDAB and ASBU DAB+ technical webinar series

15, 16 and 17 September 2020, 08:00 - 09:30 UTC (GMT)

WorldDAB and ASBU jointly present this webinar series aimed at broadcasters and technical experts working in the radio industry that are implementing or planning the rollout of DAB+ digital radio. Taking place every morning from 08:00 – 09:30 UTC (GMT) on 15, 16 and 17 September 2020, the webinars will be delivered live by DAB+ experts from around the globe. Participant questions are invited throughout each session and there will be a Q&A session at the end of each webinar.

Participation is free, however pre-registration is required.

Day 1 - 15 September

Webinar 1a - DAB+ overview

08:00 – 08:05 **Opening remarks**

Dr. Adnan Salhab, Head of Technical Training Department, ASBU

08:05 – 08:10 The importance of DAB+ in the Arab world

Speaker: Dr. Adnan Salhab, Head of Technical Training Department, ASBU

08:10 – 08:25 DAB global status and commercial business case

Speaker: Patrick Hannon, President, WorldDAB

08:25 – 08:40 DAB system features

- Basic and advanced features
- Receivers overview
- Hybrid radio

Speaker: Dr. Les Sabel, S-Comm Technologies, and WorldDAB Technical Committee

08:40 - 8:45 O&A





Day 1 - 15 September

Webinar 1b - The DAB+ ecosystem

08:45 – 09:00 Establishing the DAB+ market

- Stakeholders
- Key messaging
- Receivers and automotive

Speaker: Kathryn Sabel Brown, S-Comm Technologies

09:00 – 09:10 WorldDAB, Technical Committee and standards

- Arab fonts
- Receiver performance minimum requirements
- EECC directive for auto and receivers

Speaker: Lindsay Cornell, Principal Systems Architect, BBC and Chairman, WorldDAB Technical Committee

09:10 - 09:25 Technical business case for DAB+

- Operational cost efficiency
- Impact and use of 5G

Speaker: Dr. Les Sabel, S-Comm Technologies, and WorldDAB Technical Committee

09:25 - 09:30 Q&A

Day 2 - 16 September

Webinar 2a - DAB+ headend systems

08:00 – 08:20 Encoding and multiplexing systems

- Signal flow, components and control
- Implementation options and virtualisation

Speaker: Arne Borsum, Product Manager, IZT





08:20 - 08:40 Real world implementations

- Example network implementations
- Challenging situations

Speaker: Hermann Zensen, Sales Manager, Digidia

08:40 - 08:45 Q&A

Day 2 - 16 September

Webinar 2b – DAB+ transmission systems

08:45 – 09:00 Overview of transmission systems

- Transmitter input to antenna output
- Monitoring

Speaker: Dr. Les Sabel, S-Comm Technologies, and WorldDAB Technical Committee

09:00 – 09:25 Modern transmitters

- Transmitter types and uses
- Latest technologies and efficiency
- Redundancy options

Speaker: Rich Redmond, President, GatesAir International

09:25-09:30 Q&A

Day 3 – 17 September

Webinar 3a - DAB+ network design, operation and SFN

08:00 - 08:25 DAB network design

- Coverage requirements and field strength reference levels
- When to use MFN vs SFN
- High power vs low tower implementations
- Network quality and control

Speaker: Jerome Hirigoyen, Head of Business Development and International Broadcasting, TDF





08:25 – 08:40 SFN design and examples

- SFN performance
- Implementation choices
- Examples

Speaker: Dr. Les Sabel, S-Comm Technologies, and WorldDAB Technical Committee

08:40 - 08:45 Q&A

Day 3 - 17 September

Webinar 3b - Receivers

08:45 - 09:00 Receivers - home

- Receiver categories
- Receiver capabilities (basic, visual, hybrid)
- Products and pricing

Speaker: Prem Rajalingham, Managing Director, Frontier Smart Technologies

09:00 - 09:15 Receivers - automotive

- Antenna products for vehicles
- Example antennas and their performance
- Impact on reference vehicle field strength requirements

Speaker: Honey Habibollahzadeh, Account Manager MENA, ATBB

09:15 - 09:30 Q&A

Closing remarks - ASBU and WorldDAB