

FREQUENTIS continues voice communication system replacement for Airservices Australia under the OneSKY program

Frequentis will provide Airservices with an independent backup voice communication solution for added resilience

Airservices Australia has contracted Frequentis for a Bypass Voice Communication System (BVCS) to be used in the new Civil Military Air Traffic Management System (CMATS). CMATS will replace the current independent civil and military air traffic management systems with one advanced, unified system, as part of the OneSKY Program. The BVCS will be completely independent from the main VCS, providing the required resilience.

“Airservices is transforming how air traffic management is delivered in Australia through the OneSKY program. The program will enable a number of capabilities to airspace users, including business continuity, shared use airspace, trajectory-based operations and route optimisation. A key milestone for OneSKY is the voice communication solution, which is provided by Frequentis. The BVCS will further enhance reliability and resilience, providing a backup capability to more than 200 operator positions for our enroute and terminal area operations,” says Jason Harfield, CEO Airservices Australia.

In 2019 Frequentis provided Airservices with its VCS technology at Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney and Perth, replacing Airservices’ legacy communication system with its VOIP-based system, VCS3020X. Frequentis also provides the Main VCS and Airfield Management System for the Royal Australian Air Force sites included in CMATS. Frequentis will now provide an independent IT-based backup voice communication solution for Airservices sites, which doesn’t share the same software, hardware or interfaces as the main VCS. The Airservices BVCS systems will be built at the new Frequentis Integration Facility in Brisbane involving Frequentis’ local supply chain.

“We are delighted to be supporting Airservices Australia to streamline air traffic services to support their airspace demands, as well as enhancing shared situational awareness for both civil and military aviation, improving business continuity. The BVCS will allow Airservices to continue to use the full CMATS capability and flexibility enabled by an IT VCS solution that supports the key objectives of CMATS, as well as resolving any potential obsolescence and support issues,” says Martin Rampl, Managing Director at Frequentis Australasia.

Jason Harfield (centre), Airservices CEO, attended the Frequentis headquarters in Vienna to sign the contract with Hannu Juurakko (left), Frequentis Vice President ATM Civil and Chairman of the ATM Executive Board, and Martin Rampl (right), Managing Director Frequentis Australasia.



About OneSKY

OneSKY is a partnership between Airservices Australia and the Australian Department of Defence and is the most complex transformation of air traffic management (ATM) in Australian aviation history, enabling both civil and military air traffic controllers to jointly manage Australia's airspace, which accounts for 11 per cent of the globe. CMATS will be used by Airservices and the Royal Australian Airforce (RAAF), unifying all separate ATM systems and replacing legacy systems.

About FREQUENTIS

Frequentis is a global supplier of communication and information systems for control centres with safety-critical tasks. The listed family-run company develops and markets its "control centre solutions" in the Air Traffic Management segment (civil and military air traffic control, air defence) and the Public Safety & Transport segment (police, fire brigades, emergency rescue services, shipping, railways). With a market share of 30%, Frequentis is the world market leader in voice communication systems for air traffic control. Frequentis is also the global leader in aeronautical information management and aeronautical message handling systems.

As a global player with about 2,150 employees, Frequentis has a global network of companies in more than 50 countries. Its head office is in Vienna, Austria. Frequentis' products, services, and solutions are used at more than 40,000 operator working positions in around 150 countries. Shares in Frequentis are traded on the Vienna and Frankfurt stock exchanges; ISIN: ATFREQUENT09, WKN: A2PHG5. In 2021, revenues were EUR 333.5 million and EBIT was EUR 29.0 million.

Wherever Frequentis' systems are used, safety-critical operators can confidently bear responsibility for the safety of other people and goods. The company also works towards a more sustainable future through its air traffic optimisation solutions.

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