
FREQUENTIS and DSNA go live with new voice system at Brest Area Control Centre, France

- **French DSNA and Frequentis deliver a new voice communication system to enhance air traffic safety, resilience, and coordination in western France**
- **The system is now fully operational following regulatory approval, marking a key milestone in the joint modernisation programme**

Frequentis and the French air navigation service provider Direction des Services de la Navigation Aérienne (DSNA) have announced the full operational status of the new voice communication system at the Brest Area Control Centre (ACC). The system supports more flexible, reliable air traffic management across France and Europe.

Following its initial go-live under conditional status in October 2023, the system received formal approval from the French Civil Aviation Authority (Direction Générale de l'Aviation Civile) in April 2025. It replaces the legacy ARTEMIS system – originally supplied by Frequentis and CS Group – which had been in use for nearly 30 years.

The project is part of the Functional Airspace Block Europe Central (FABEC) voice communication system programme, developed in cooperation with EUROCONTROL's Maastricht Upper Area Control Centre (MUAC). Frequentis supplied its VCS3020X system, tailored to meet DSNA's requirements.

"The successful commissioning of the voice communication system at ACC Brest demonstrates the strength of our partnership with DSNA and our commitment to dependable, safety-critical solutions," says Reinhard Grimm, Executive Vice President ATM at Frequentis.

For DSNA, the system offers improved communication continuity and a robust and resilient communication solution, supporting airspace management during varying traffic conditions.

Brest is the second centre to go live under this programme, following Maastricht in the Netherlands. Frequentis and DSNA have a long-standing partnership spanning more than two decades, with joint efforts including the nationwide modernisation of voice communication systems for control centres and aviation message handling upgrades in overseas territories. This ongoing collaboration reflects a shared commitment to operational resilience and innovation in air traffic management.

About Functional Airspace Block Europe Central – FABEC

The Functional Airspace Block Europe Central – FABEC – is a cooperation platform to achieve optimal performance in the areas relating to safety, environmental sustainability, capacity, cost-efficiency, flight efficiency, and military mission effectiveness, by the design of airspace and the organisation of air traffic management in the airspace concerned, regardless of existing boundaries.

It covers the lower and upper airspaces of the six states Belgium, France, Germany, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, and Switzerland. Its airspace is one of the busiest and most complex in the world, as most of the large European airports and major civil airways and military zones are located in this area.

About FREQUENTIS

Frequentis stands for a safer world. Our solutions are used in our customers' command and control centres to help them make the world safer.

Frequentis is a world leader in high-tech solutions for Air Traffic Management, supporting both civil and military air traffic control organisations, as well as Public Safety and Transport, where police, emergency rescue services, fire brigades, railways, coastguards, and port authorities rely on our extensive portfolio.

The listed family business based in Vienna, Austria, drives innovative and sustainable solutions for safety and security in everyday life and in the safety-critical sector. Its air traffic optimisation solutions for air traffic control centres are contributing to reducing emissions.

As a global player with about 2,900 employees (full-time equivalents/FTE), Frequentis has a worldwide network of companies in over 50 countries. Its products, services, and solutions are used in around 150 countries. Shares in Frequentis are traded on the Vienna and Frankfurt stock exchanges; ISIN: ATFREQUENT09, WKN: A2PHG5. In 2025, revenues were EUR 580 million and EBIT was EUR 47 million.

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