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Air Traffic Management
Balancing performance and cost

Providing the best results in ATM communications and keeping aviation passengers safe requires a solution designed for the challenges of a modern air traffic management network. By understanding your needs, Frequentis provides innovative solutions to help maintain the highest level of safety while scaling capacity and improving cost competitiveness.

Challenges of a modern air traffic management network

**Innovation**  
Phase out legacy technologies while leveraging the benefits of a unified all-IP network.

**Scalability**  
Flexibility matching demand with supply.

**Safety**  
Ensure performance for safety-critical applications on a converged IP infrastructure.

**Partners**  
Bring together the right technology affiliations and local players.

**Cost**  
Increase operational performance while reducing costs.

**Coverage**  
Serve large and remote areas.

**Ready for the future**  
Support ongoing changes in operations, such as remote towers and virtualisation of control centres.

Matching air traffic and safety demands with the right network is a big challenge in ATM. It is the core element to achieving the ambitious goals of the industry globally – increasing air space capacity, increasing safety and reducing cost per flight.

While merging all of the IP applications onto a converged IP infrastructure allows for a reduction in operational costs, safety-critical applications require a dedicated solution. This is also a requirement for the implementation of SWIM, virtual centres and remote towers.

Air Navigation Service Providers (ANSPs) need to integrate multiple technologies (e.g. MPLS, microwave, VSAT) onto a single backbone from many providers. The design of such a hybrid network has many challenges – different network delays, varying jitter, routing protocols support and failover behaviour.

Frequentis solves these challenges by providing application-aware routing of communications based not only on the priority of those communications, but also the current performance of the networks available to carry the traffic.
vitalsphere: ATM-grade network performance

vitalsphere provides a level of safety and end-to-end performance not available from conventional networks. Brokering network capacity between ATM-specific applications and non-ATM specialised backbone networks reduces total cost of ownership and allows for bandwidth savings of up to 90%.

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**Intelligent routing & control**
Matching real-time network performance and application needs. The coordination of requirements from different applications optimises bandwidth utilisation and operational cost.

**Situational awareness**
Vendor-neutral end-to-end monitoring of applications and networks. This includes real-time measurements for every backbone, and dedicated interfaces to VSAT modems.

**Scalable networks**
Integration of diverse technologies from multiple vendors. We partner with different vendors to deliver any type of IP-, TDM-, or satellite-based network.

Highest end-to-end performance for every application

Utilising brown-out detection allows for resolution of failures before they occur, as it enables action before a link black-out. This process uses real-time information of actual network performance to re-route safety-critical communication flows before the link fails. Deterministic communication flows are the foundation for end-to-end path diversity – improving service availability by separating main and standby communication flows across the entire network.
Frequentis networks success stories

Frequentis has a dedicated networks team combining industry experience and broad expertise of safety-critical network projects that connect applications exchanging ATM data on 33% of the world’s surface. We partner with technology and service providers along with local system integrators to form the best team for your needs – one team for one solution.

End-to-end voice performance
A large European customer was confronted with an end-of-life notice from a telecommunications company. Together with an international IT partner, Frequentis delivered a network solution connecting all legacy equipment with a new IP backbone, linking more than eleven operational centres with 150 remote sites. Our solution protected our customer’s investment and delivered a high-performance, voice delay compensated IP network.

ATM-grade multi-WAN solution
A provider of ATC to more than 8% of the world’s airspace, needed a high performance and safe communications infrastructure. Frequentis delivered an ATM-grade network solution integrating MPLS/IP, TDM and VSAT backbones hosting safety-critical and administrative communication. The network’s software-defined technologies ensure SLAs on many different applications by dynamically adapting network routing.

Technical operation as a Frequentis service
Frequentis designed, delivered and operates a safety-critical network in central Europe. The solution integrates all operational centres and two redundant data centres via an IP-WAN. A custom-tailored, multi-level redundancy concept ensures the highest availability.

vitalsphere product portfolio

→ Network design
→ Network integration
→ Intelligent routing – NetBroker
→ Network operation
→ Network management
→ Safety & security assessment and design