eCall and ERA-GLONASS interoperability test: the first findings

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eCall and ERA-GLONASS



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	eCall	ERA-GLONASS
Region	EU + EFTA	Russia + Belarus + Kazakhstan
Vehicle categories	M1 and N1	All categories (M1M3, N1N3)

Vehicles registered in ERA-GLONASS system:

2 336 538

https://aoglonass.ru/en/gais-ehra-glonass/ (cited 15.8.2018)

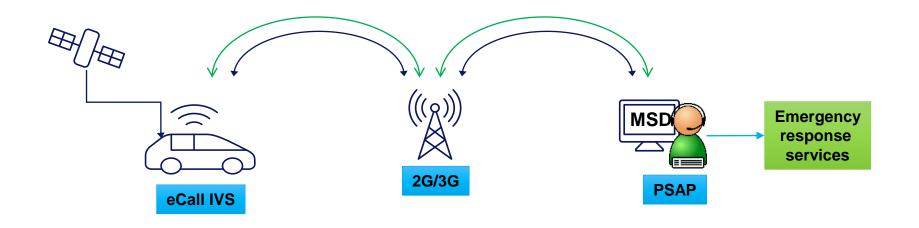
FI/RUS **Border length** 1340 km 2M vehicles 2M vehicles penStreetMap contributors

Motivation

- Russian ERA GLONASS system and pan-European
 eCall system are harmonized but not identical
- It is important to ensure and test systems compatibility
- Target is to provide service coverage for European vehicles in Russia and Russian vehicles in the EU
- At the moment, there is no agreement between EU countries and Russia on handling of emergency calls from vehicles

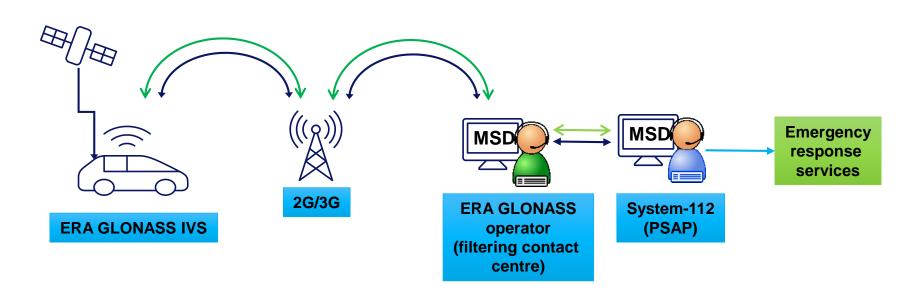


eCall system





ERA-GLONASS system







eCall and ERA-GLONASS Comparison (related to interoperability)

	eCall	ERA GLONASS
GNSS	GPS + (GALILEO)	GLONASS +(GPS or GALILEO)
Emergency number	112	112
MSD data transfer	In-band modem	In-band modem + SMS backup
MSD	EN15722 (ver 2)	EN15722 (ver1 & ver 2)
SIM card	SIM card from ?	ERA GLONASS full MVNO SIM card
Emergency call features	Voice call, MSD (re)transmission, call back,	Voice call, MSD (re)transmission, call back,
Additional features	MNO calculated location in PSAP (EN16072)	Base for public Services and variety of consumer Value Added Services



MSD versions

Interoperability issue with MSD versions?



- eCall supports MSD version 2 (EN15722:2015)
- Specifications of ERA-GLONASS allow use of MSD version 1 (EN15722:2011) until January 2018
- ERA GLONASS (PSAP) supports both versions and OEMs in Russia today use MSD version 1 and only gradually may start moving to version 2

I_HeERO MS have implemented the eCall in PSAPs which support both MSD ver 1 & 2, including Finland => **No problem with this issue!**





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 ERA GLONASS IVS uses JSC GLONASS SIM-cards, which does not have roaming agreements in European Member States



• What about eCall SIM-cards used in eCall IVS, do they have roaming in Russia? Roaming with ERA GLONASS & major MNOs?





Interoperability tests of eCall and ERA-GLONASS

•TEST OBJECTIVES: interoperability tests focused on the core features of both systems:

- Voice connection between user of the IVS and PSAP
- Transmission, decoding and presenting of minimum set of data (MSD)
- MSD retransmission
- Call back from PSAP to IVS

•Tests in Finland and Russia has been planned and implemented in cooperation with

- Ministry of Transport of Russian Federation
- JSC GLONASS, which operates the GAIS ERA-GLONASS system
- Ministry of Transport and Communications (Finland)
- Finnish Transport Safety Agency (Trafi)
- VTT Technical Research Centre of Finland Ltd
- Emergency Response Centre Agency (Finland) (Supported by *I_HeERO project)

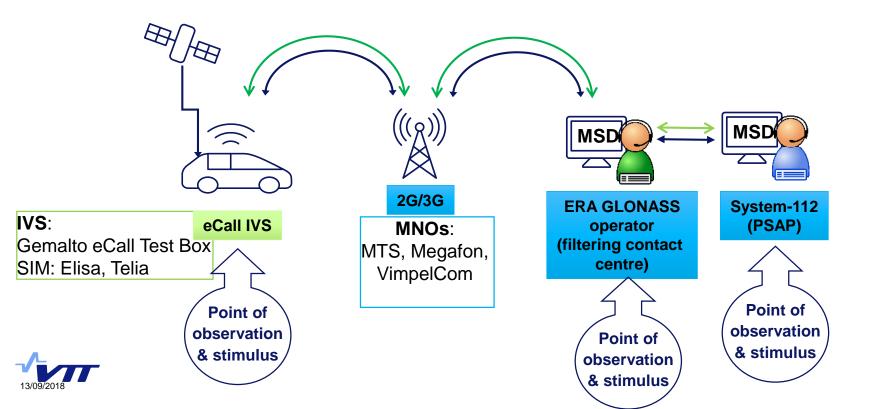






Qn	Interoperable features statement questions	Interop. exp.	Notes
Q1	eCall flag, emergency call routing to PSAP	\bigcirc	
Q2	MSD transmission to PSAP MSD decoding & visualisation MSD decoding & visualisation	$\overline{\bigcirc}$	(see MSD versions 1 & 2)
Q3	MSD decoding & visualisation See summary the test plan: Establish voice connection LHEERO M21	\bigcirc	(see MSD versions 1 & 2)
Q4	Establish voice connection	\bigcirc	
Q5	Call hang-up by PSAP	\bigcirc	
Q6	End call by in-band-modem by PSAP	\bigcirc	
Q7	Request retransmission of MSD by SMS	-	Not supported in eCall
Q8	Request retransmission of MSD by in-band-modem	\bigcirc	(SMS is used in ERA GLONASS)
Q9	Call back to IVS from PSAP	\bigcirc	Not possible if no roaming SIM
Q10	Request retransmission of MSD (in-band-modem) during call back	\bigcirc	(SMS used) No if not roaming SIM
Q11	Request retransmission of MSD by SMS during call back	-	Not supported in eCall
Q12	Mobile network based location of the caller	-	Not in ERA GLONASS
Q13	Mobile network provides IVS CLI to PSAP		Not possible if no roaming SIM

Test case 1: eCall IVS in Russia contacting ERA-GLONASS-system





Test case 1 results: eCall IVS inside Russia



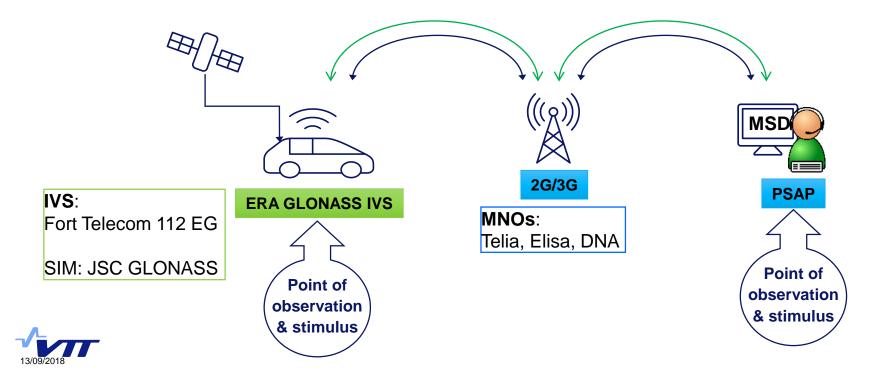
Qn	Test point	Interoperable features	PASS	FAIL	Inconclusive / notes
Q1	IVS & PSAP	eCall flag, emergency call routing to PSAP	\bigcirc		X / Not working with one MNO (foreign SIM)
Q2	IVS	MSD transmission to PSAP	\bigcirc		
Q3	PSAP	MSD decoding & visualisation	\bigcirc		
Q4	IVS & PSAP	Establish voice connection	\bigcirc		
Q5	IVS & PSAP	Call hang-up by PSAP	\bigcirc		
Q8	IVS & PSAP	Request retransmission of MSD by in-band-modem			X / will be retested
Q9	IVS & PSAP	Call back to IVS from PSAP	\bigcirc		Only normal voice call used & not possible if not roaming SIM
Q10	IVS & PSAP	Request retransmission of MSD (in-band-modem) during call back		Х	Not possible during normal voice call & not roaming SIM
Q13	PSAP	Mobile network provides IVS CLI to PSAP	\bigcirc		Not possible if not roaming SIM



=> Retesting needed with real eCall SIM-card



Test case 2: ERA-GLONASS IVS in Finland contacting eCall PSAP

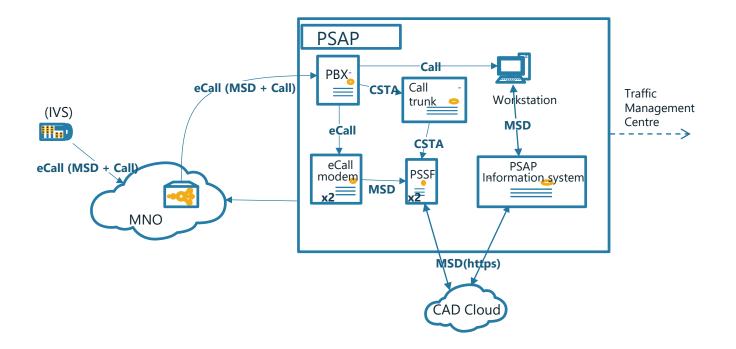


Test case 2 results: ERA GLONASS IVS in Finland

Qn	Test point	Interoperable features	PASS	FAIL	Inconclusive / notes
Q1	IVS & PSAP	eCall flag, emergency call routing to PSAP	\bigcirc		
Q2	IVS & PSAP	MSD transmission to PSAP	\bigcirc		
Q3a	PSAP	MSD decoding	\bigcirc		
Q3b	PSAP	MSD visualisation		Х	1. Foreign and not roaming SIMs problem
Q4	IVS & PSAP	Establish voice connection	\bigcirc		
Q5	IVS & PSAP	Call hang-up by PSAP	\bigcirc		
Q6	IVS & PSAP	End call by in-band-modem by PSAP	\bigcirc		
Q8	IVS & PSAP	Request retransmission of MSD by in-band-modem		X	1. Foreign and not roaming SIMs problem
Q9	IVS & PSAP	Call back to IVS from PSAP		X	2. Not possible with not roaming SIM
Q10	IVS & PSAP	Request retransmission of MSD (in-band-modem) during call back		X	2. Not possible with not roaming SIM
Q12	PSAP	Mobile network based location of the caller			X / 3. Works with one MNO
Q13	PSAP	Mobile network provides IVS CLI to PSAP		Х	2. Not possible with not roaming SIM



PSAP eCall handling in Finland







Problems and repairs found in Finland

- 1. MSD visualization problem / MSD retransmission (foreign and not roaming SIM):
 - Problem with leading zeroes of the incoming number in the PSAP system
 => PROBLEM KNOWN AND WILL BE FIXED
- 2. Call-back / MSD-retransmission during call-back / CLI number in PSAP (with not roaming SIM):
 - No roaming with JSC GLONASS SIM => cannot be fixed





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- 3. Mobile network based location of the caller (with not roaming SIM):
 - FIX: MNO creates a temporary number (a set prefix + last digits of the IMEI of the calling device) and uses it to query the network for the location

=> THIS FIX WILL BE USED SOON BY MOST MNOS IN FINLAND



Topics for further research



Emergency calls from vehicles in cross-border situations:

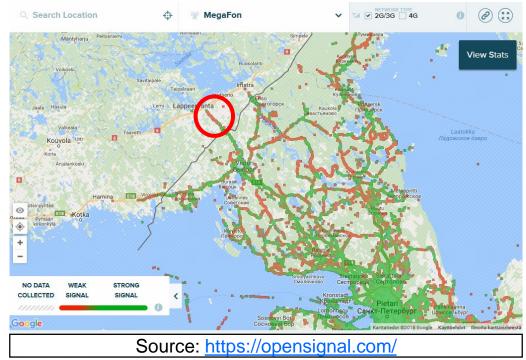
e.g. ERA GLONASS emergency call in Finland when still connected to Russian mobile network

= > (MSD) information exchange needed

Compatibility will remain a research topic in the future:

- NG eCall
- eCall for trucks





Thank you!

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