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1 Scope

The present document establishes the specifications for the MAMES (Multiple Alert Message Encapsulation over Satellite) Protocol. Starting from an overview of the MAMES objectives and operations, the MAMES Architecture is presented: the MAMES functional entities are identified and the MAMES positioning in a protocol-stack architecture is provided by defining a set of MAMES operational scenarios.

The MAMES alert message encapsulation scheme is specified by defining the overall MAMES Message structure, the different types of MAMES messages and all MAMES Header fields.

The behaviour of the MAMES Agents responsible for the process of the MAMES Protocol is defined.

Guidelines for integrating the MAMES alert message encapsulation scheme into communications networks are provided in [i.1].

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3 Definitions and abbreviations

3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the following terms and definitions apply:

Alert Intermediary System: telecommunications network or node that is located at the user side of the Alert Network and that forwards alert-related (MAMES or non-MAMES) messages

Alert Issuer: entity that generates Alert Messages and forwards them to a MAMES Alert Provider for MAMES Encapsulation; more generally, entity that terminates an Alert Protocol at the alerter side of an Alert Network

NOTE: Depending on the Alert Protocol used, an Alert Issuer may be capable of updating or cancelling a previously issued Alert Message, and of requesting and accepting acknowledgement messages.

Alert Message: Alert Protocol Message containing data to alert and/or inform Alert Users about an impending or on-going emergency

Alert Network: in the context of the present document, telecommunications or navigation network that supports Alert Protocol Messages

Alert Protocol: protocol used to exchange Alert Protocol Messages

NOTE 1: In its most basic form, an Alert Protocol is a simple, mutually agreed rule for encoding alert-related information (e.g. by specifying an Internet media type).

NOTE 2: An advanced Alert Protocol typically includes, in addition to an Alert Message, other specially formatted messages for the purpose of updating, cancelling or acknowledging a previous Alert Protocol Message. An example of an advanced Alert Protocol is CAP.

NOTE 3: The termination points of an Alert Protocol are the Alert Issuer (at the alerter side) and the Alerting Device or the Mediation Device (at the user side).

Alert Protocol Message: message conforming to an Alert Protocol

NOTE: The term Alert Protocol Message comprises messages designed to alert or update Alert Users, as well as messages designed to cancel or acknowledge a previously transmitted Alert Protocol Message.

Alert User: entity that consumes the rendered content of an Alert Protocol Message

NOTE 1: A typical Alert User is a physical person that (e.g.) reads an Alert Message text on a display; an Alert User may also be a technical system that is triggered by the contents of an Alert Message to perform certain tasks (e.g. close a floodgate).

NOTE 2: Alerting Devices are not considered to be Alert Users, since they do not consume, but in fact render the contents of Alert Messages.

Alerting Device: device that receives an Alert (Protocol) Message and renders its content to one or more Alert User(s) according to its rendering capabilities; more generally, entity that terminates an Alert Protocol at the user side of an Alert Network

NOTE 1: Depending on the Alert Protocol used, an Alerting Device may be capable of returning acknowledgement messages.

NOTE 2: An Alerting Device contains one or more Alerting Function(s) and it may contain one or more Mediation Function(s).

NOTE 3: An example of an Alerting Device is a siren that activates the proper tone for alerting the population; another example is a smartphone that displays the Alert Message content.

Alerting Function: logical function within an Alerting Device that receives the alert indication or information and renders these data according to its capabilities

Alerting Services Regulator: authority that regulates the implementation and provision of alerting services within its area of authority

CAP Capable Device: Alerting Device or Mediation Device that is capable of processing a CAP-compliant Alert Protocol Message; more generally, device that terminates the CAP protocol at the user side of a CAP-based Alert Network

Direct MAMES Alerting: MAMES-based alerting scheme whereby the Satellite Terminal and the MAMES Receiver are co-located, i.e. either integrated into a single device or interconnected via a direct physical link

Indirect MAMES Alerting: MAMES-based alerting scheme whereby the Satellite Terminal and the MAMES Receiver are interconnected via a network, referred to as an Alert Intermediary System

MAMES Agent: software module that executes the MAMES Protocol

NOTE: Two types of MAMES Agents exist: The MAMES Alerter-Side Agent and the MAMES User-Side Agent.

MAMES Alert Provider: entity that generates MAMES Messages; more generally, entity that terminates the MAMES Protocol at the alerter side of a MAMES Network

NOTE: A MAMES Alert Provider is also capable of requesting and accepting MAMES-based acknowledgement (ACK) messages.

MAMES Alert Receiver: entity that is capable of receiving MAMES Messages; more generally, entity that terminates the MAMES Protocol at the user side of a MAMES Network

NOTE: A MAMES Alert Receiver is also capable of generating MAMES-based acknowledgement (ACK) messages.

MAMES Alerter-Side Agent: MAMES Agent serving the MAMES Alert Provider

MAMES Alerter-Side Controller: entity within the MAMES Alert Provider that configures, monitors and controls a MAMES Alerter-Side Agent

NOTE: The MAMES Alerter-Side Controller may be a software module operated by a physical person in charge of initiating and configuring a MAMES Alerter-Side Agent, and of controlling its operation in coordination with the Alert Issuer; alternatively, it may be an autonomous software algorithm performing these tasks.

MAMES Decapsulation: process of decapsulating a MAMES Frame to obtain the message(s) contained in the MAMES Payload

NOTE: Both the MAMES User-Side Agent and the MAMES Alerter-Side Agent are capable of MAMES Decapsulation.

MAMES Encapsulation: process of encapsulating one or more Alert Protocol Message(s) into a MAMES Frame

NOTE: Both the MAMES Alerter-Side Agent and the MAMES User-Side Agent are capable of MAMES Encapsulation.

MAMES Frame: used interchangeably with the term MAMES Message

MAMES Governing Body: authority that governs and regulates the operations and communications of all MAMES entities

MAMES Message: message conforming to the MAMES format

NOTE: MAMES Messages consist of a MAMES Header and (optionally) a MAMES Payload.

MAMES Network: Alert Network that supports the distribution and exchange of MAMES Messages

MAMES Payload: Alert Protocol Message(s) contained within a MAMES Frame

MAMES Protocol: Alert Protocol that supports the distribution and exchange of MAMES Messages

MAMES Provider: used interchangeably with the term MAMES Alert Provider

MAMES Receiver: used interchangeably with the term MAMES Alert Receiver

MAMES User-Side Agent: MAMES Agent serving the MAMES Alert Receiver

MAMES User-Side Controller: entity within the MAMES Alert Receiver that configures, monitors and controls a MAMES User-Side Agent

NOTE: Once initiated, the MAMES User-Side Controller is an autonomously running software algorithm.

Mediation Device: device hosting one or more Mediation Function(s)

Mediation Function: in the context of the present document, logical function that performs a protocol conversion between two different Alert Protocols

NOTE 1: A Mediation Function is required in cases when the Alerting Device (e.g. a siren) is not capable of processing the incoming Alert Message (e.g. a CAP message).

NOTE 2: A Mediation Function may be implemented as a stand-alone device (Mediation Device), or it may be embedded within an Alerting Device.

SatCom/SatNav/Com Network: communications network based on satellite communications, satellite navigation or terrestrial communications (wired, wireless, or mobile) technology

SatCom/SatNav/Com Regulator: authority that regulates the deployment and provision of SatCom/SatNav/Com Networks and services

SatCom/SatNav/Com Service Provider: entity that provides a satellite communications, a satellite navigation or a terrestrial communications service to its subscribers

SatCom/SatNav/Com Subscriber: entity that subscribes to and/or uses a satellite communications, a satellite navigation or a terrestrial communications service offered by a SatCom/SatNav/Com Provider

SatCom/SatNav/Com User Segment: satellite communications, satellite navigation or terrestrial communications subsystem that comprises all SatCom/SatNav/Com network entities at the user side of the SatCom/SatNav/Com Network

SatCom/SatNav Network: communications network based on satellite communications or satellite navigation technology

SatCom/SatNav Ground Segment: satellite communications or satellite navigation subsystem comprising all SatCom/SatNav network entities at the provider side of the SatCom/SatNav Network

SatCom/SatNav Space Segment: communications or navigation satellite(s)

3.2 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the following abbreviations apply:

A4A	Alert-For-All (Alert4All)
ACK	Acknowledgement
AES	Advanced Encryption Standard
AES-CBC	AES Cipher Block Chaining
AES-CTR	AES Counter
AM	Alert Message
AMH	Alert Message Header
ASN.1	Abstract Syntax Notation One
CAP	Common Alerting Protocol
CBRNE	Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear or high-yield Explosive threat or attack
CMAC	Cipher-based MAC
EH	Extension Header
EU	European Union
GNSS	Global Navigation Satellite System
HMAC	keyed-Hash Message Authentication Code
IP	Internet Protocol
ISO	International Organization for Standardization
ITU	International Telecommunications Union
JSON	JavaScript Object Notation
LAU	Local Administrative Unit
MAC	Message Authentication Code
MAMES	Multiple Alert Message Encapsulation over Satellite
MB	Megabyte
MH	Mandatory Header
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology
NUTS	Nomenclature of Units for Territorial Statistics
OASIS	Organization for the Advancement of Structured Information Standards
OSI	Open Systems Interconnection
PDU	Protocol Data Unit
POCSAG	Post Office Code Standardization Advisory Group
SatCom	Satellite Communication
SatNav	Satellite Navigation

SDU	Service Data Unit
SHA	Secure Hash Algorithm
UTC	Coordinated Universal Time
XML	Extensible Markup Language

4 MAMES Objectives and Operation

4.1 MAMES Objectives

MAMES main objectives are:

- the definition of an encapsulation protocol for Alert Protocol Messages transport over satellite links, as well as over other terrestrial communication links, like GSM, LTE, etc.;
- the provision of a flexible and extensible encapsulation scheme;
- the encapsulation of a single or a concatenation of Alert Protocol Messages (e.g. CAP, unstructured text, image, paging protocols, etc.);
- the definition of additional (optional) functions for service extension and adaption towards specific crisis situations;
- the integration of the defined protocol with the main telecommunication satellite architectures (Galileo Public Regulated Service and Commercial Service data part; DVB-Suite, any IP-based satellite access, etc.) and with terrestrial communication networks.

MAMES is expected to be primarily used over satellite networks, but nothing prevents it to work over other terrestrial networks. The present document focuses on its use for satellite networks.

4.2 Overview of MAMES Operation

4.2.1 MAMES Network Entities: MAMES Provider and MAMES Receiver

The objective of this clause is to provide an overview of MAMES basic operation and introduce the MAMES network entities (MAMES Alert Provider and MAMES Alert Receiver).

Figure 4.1 illustrates the basic MAMES alerting operation, showing the network hierarchy of the alerting chain, the main involved entities, the links between them and exchanged messages.

The aim of Figure 4.1 is to give an overview of the basic MAMES operations and not to provide an exhaustive picture of the applicability of the MAMES protocol in terms of supported types of services.

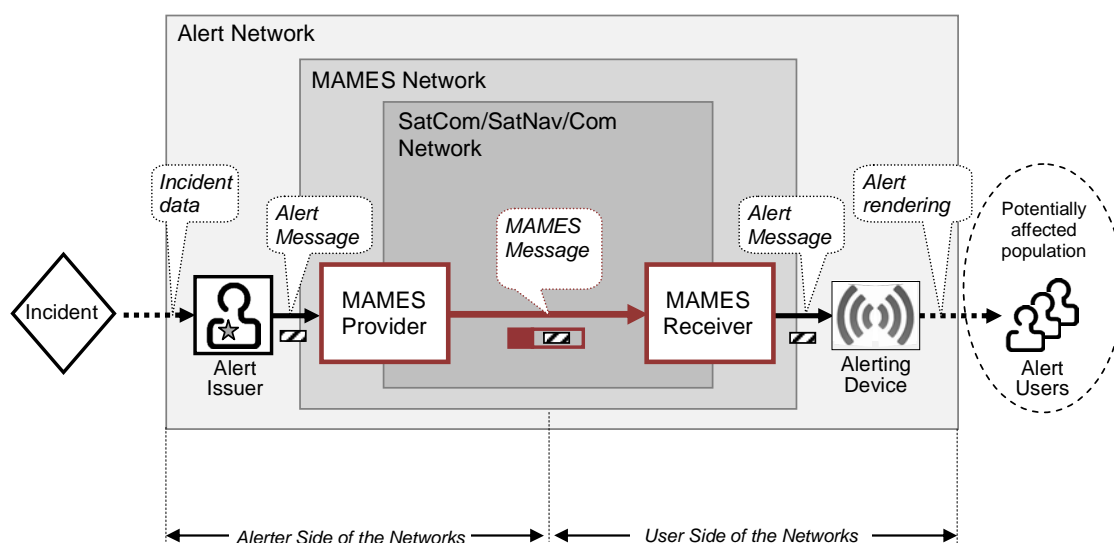


Figure 4.1: Overview of MAMES Operation