

# TWSTFT at METAS



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## Activities 2004

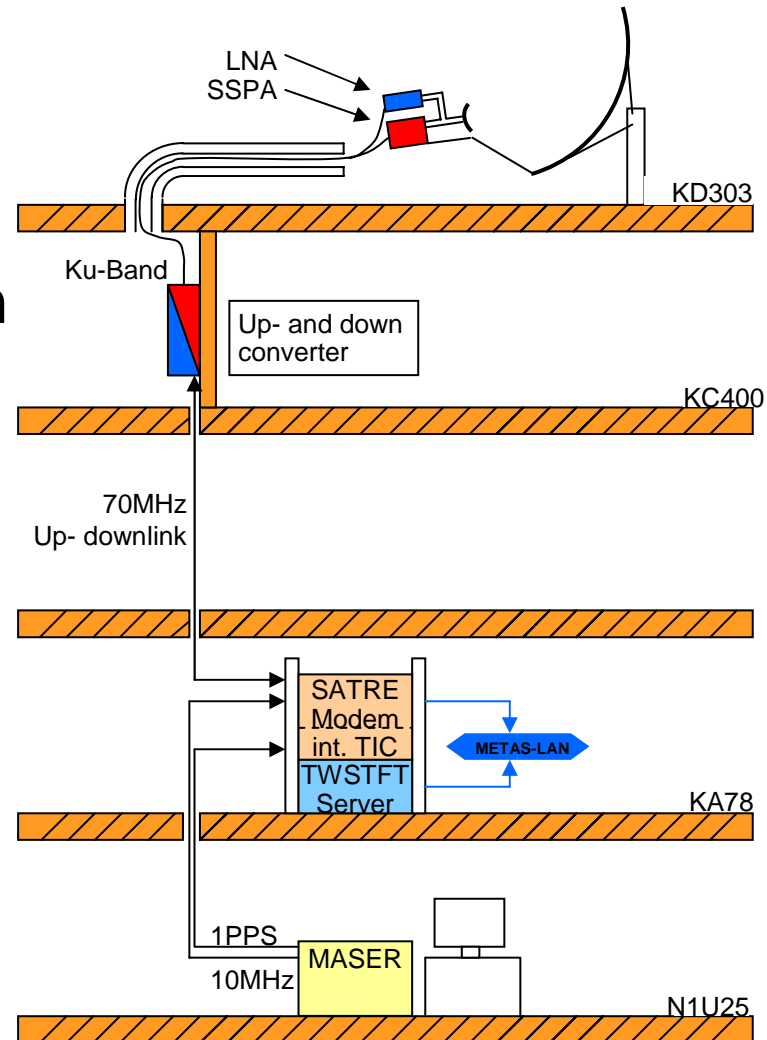
- ◆ January 2004 Start of project
- ◆ March 2004 Equipment ordered
- ◆ July 2004 Start of installation
- ◆ August 2004 Approvals from Intelsat and National Federal Office received
- ◆ September 2004 Start of link measurements

# Equipment

- ◆ Modem: TimeTech SATRE s/n 281, V4.11.0
- ◆ Transceiver:  
LNA: 10.95 to 12.75 GHz, (85°K, 50 dB)  
SSPA: 13.75 to 14.5 GHz, 4W (+36 dBm)
- ◆ Antenna: Prodelin series 1184,  $\varnothing$  1.8 m
- ◆ Data server: PC HP Compaq d530
- ◆ Transfer standard: H-Maser (Neuchâtel Observatory)

# Installation

- ◆ Antenna, LNA and SSPA on the roof
- ◆ Up- and down converter in installation area
- ◆ Modem in controlled environment
- ◆ Maser in controlled and protected environment



## Equipment on the roof

### Antenna position

Nord 46° 55' 25"  
Ost 7° 27' 51"

### Antenna direction

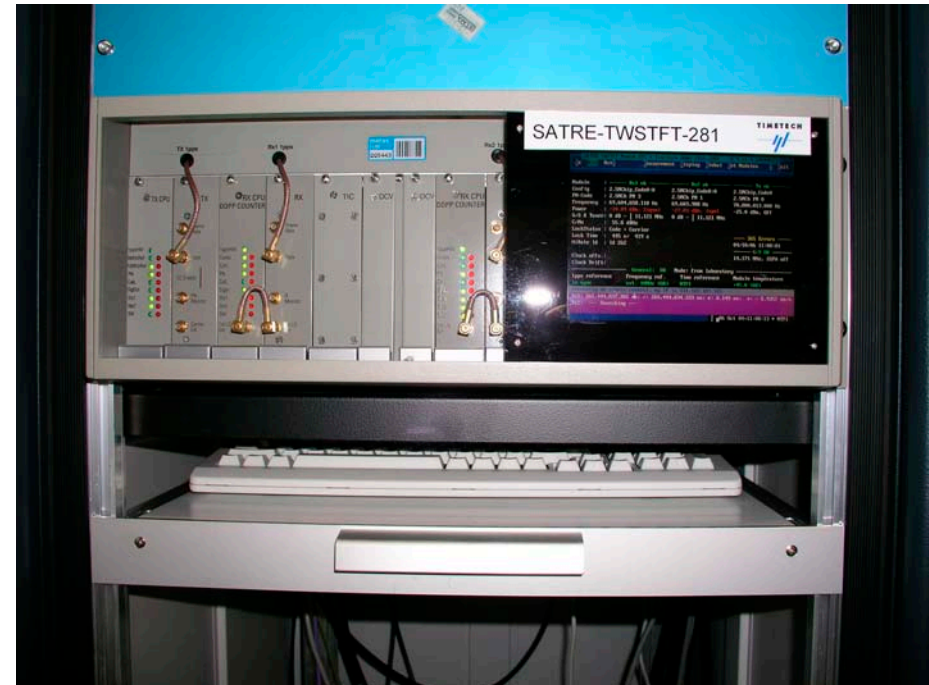
Azimuth: 230.9°  
Elevation: 22.5°  
Polarization: 31.9°



# Up- down converter



# Modem



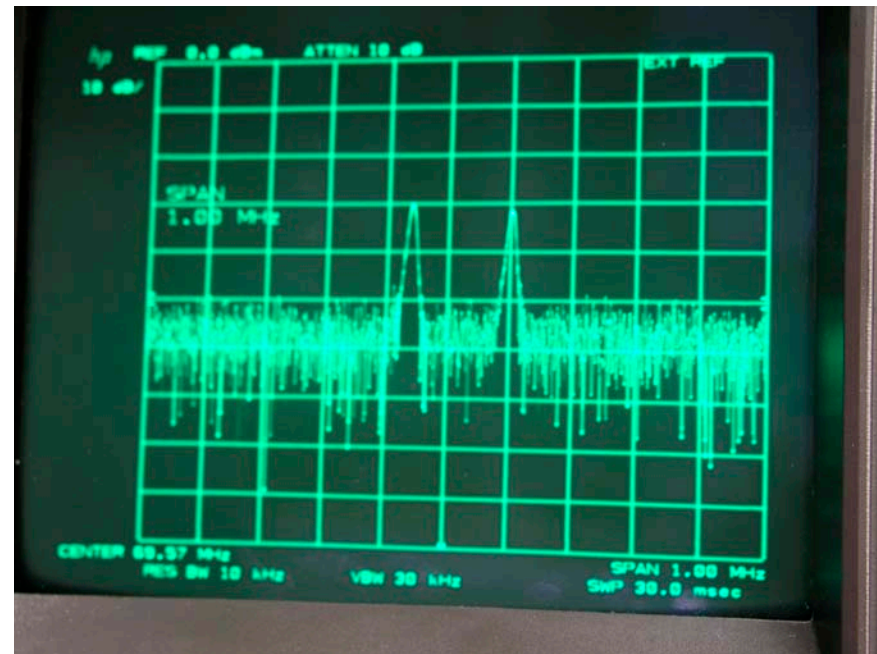
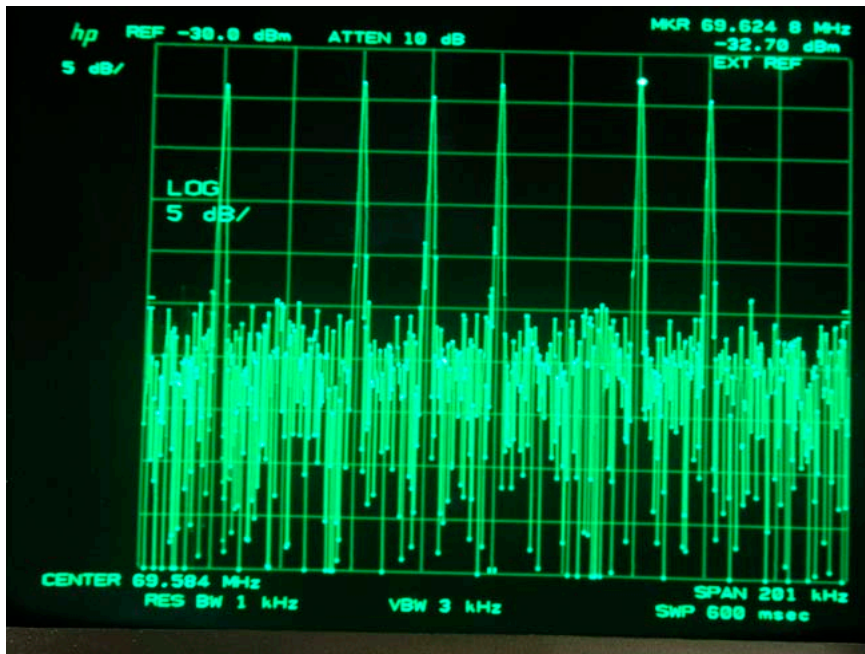
# Performance of Ground Station

- ◆ Stability measurement over 20 hours:
  - ◆ At nominal output Power of 30 dBm: Pout avg = 30.43 dBm  
sdev = 0.08 dB
  - ◆ At nominal output Power of 36 dBm: Pout avg = 36.11 dBm  
sdev = 0.03 dB
- ◆ G/T measurement with CW-Carrier from Intelsat:
  - ◆ CW-Carrier at 11452.0 MHz: Carrier level = 51.4 dBm  
Noise floor = 102.50 dBm/Hz  
C / No = 51.10 dB/Hz  
  
G / T = 25.10 dB/K

# Receiving Clean Carriers

Link 05: Sep-01-2004 08:01 UTC

Link 06: Sep-01-2004 14:31 UTC





# Measured own Clean Carrier

Link 05: Sep-02-2004 07:00 UTC

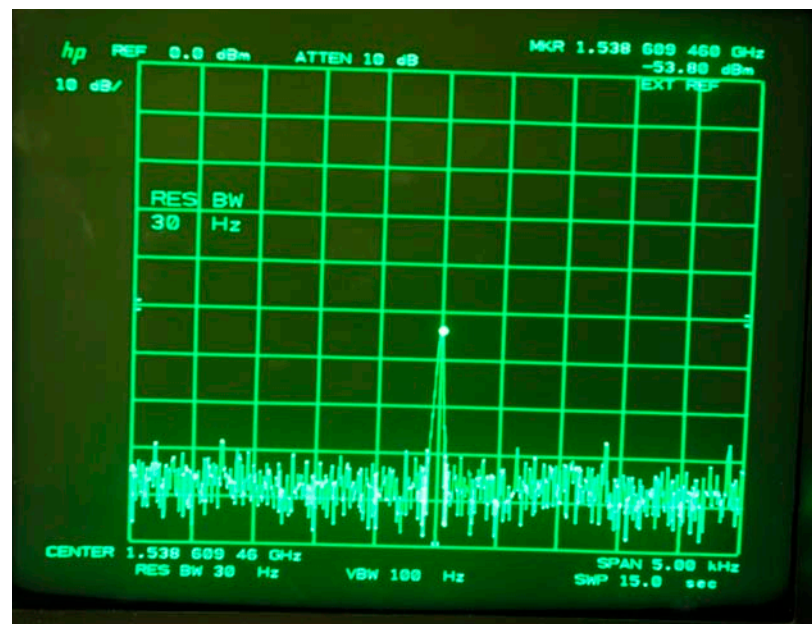
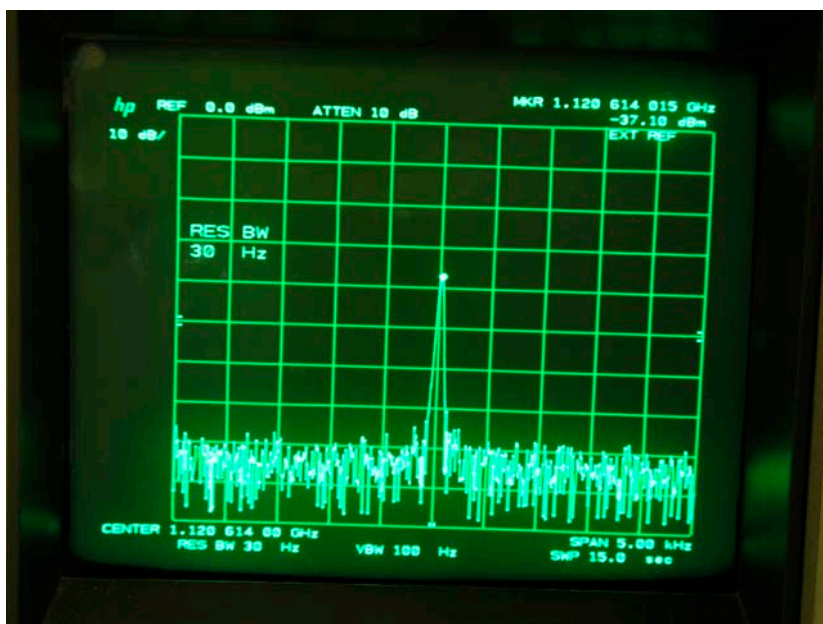
Transmitted power = +30 dBm  
 $f = 14170.5975 \text{ MHz} + 10 \text{ kHz}$

Received power = -57.2 dBm  
 $f = 11120.5975 \text{ MHz} + 10 \text{ kHz} + 6.515 \text{ kHz}$

Link 06: Sep-02-2004 07:30 UTC

Transmitted power = +30 dBm  
 $f = 14338.5975 \text{ MHz} + 10 \text{ kHz}$

Received power = -73.5 dBm  
 $f = 11538.5975 \text{ MHz} + 10 \text{ kHz} + 1.960 \text{ kHz}$



# Summary and Outlook

- ◆ TWSTFT at METAS fully operational
- ◆ Development of software for automatic data acquisition
- ◆ Adjustment of station control scheduler (integration in measurement schedule)
- ◆ Characterization of station