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# **INTRODUCTION**

Dear Respected Colleagues,

This month we have much going on, which we feel is directly relevant and value-added to our **Membership** and industry. The **WiMAX Forum** continues in a fast pace producing important work to increase awareness, support and advance the Aeronautical Mobile Airport Communication System (**AeroMACS**), **WiGRID**, and the **WiMAX** technology with the collaboration and participation of its **Board of Directors, Member Companies, Working Group Representatives**, and industry leaders.

In June, the Federal Communications Commission (**FCC**) voted to adopt a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (**NPRM**) proposing service rules for AeroMACS. The NPRM proposes specific technical and licensing rules that are required before commercial AeroMACS operations can become routine at U.S. airports. Comments may be filed electronically with the FCC at the following link: https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/. Please make sure to enter **19-140** in the field for "Specific Proceeding." Comments are due **September 3, 2019**.

The proposed rule changes will help ensure timely deployment and enable broadband communications capability to support airport surface operations. Many of the proposals included in the NPRM are based on industry-consensus proposals the WiMAX Forum filed with the FCC in 2017. To read the WiMAX Forum Statement on the FCC Proposal for Commercial AeroMACS Operations, please click **here**. We remain completely at your disposition should you have any questions, comments or concerns and would be delighted to speak with you should you care to discuss this personally. You may contact us at **info@WiMAXForum.org**.

This month, **Siemens** has announced the AeroMACS implementation at Tom Jobim Airport in Brazil. The system transmits real-time data and images to airport operators through mobile and fixed assets, facilitating and optimizing management of the entire site. It was developed to meet the specific needs of **RIOgaleao** which receives about 15 million passengers and operates over 50,000 flights a year. To view the project video at YouTube, click at the following link: https://youtu.be/dIkiPcoau7M.

To foster a prosperous environment and future for the WiMAX ecosystem, the WiMAX Forum with the participation of our Member Companies will host, attend, and participate globally with speakers in key industry events. Through our events, speaking opportunities, seminars, and webinars, we are reaching out to diverse audiences in the WiMAX community.

On **September 8-12**, the WiMAX Forum will attend the **38th AIAA/IEEE Digital Avionics Systems Conference (DASC)** in San Diego, California. If you would pre-scheduled a meeting time with us, please email **info@WiMAXForum.org** and we will be glad to schedule a time to speak with you.

On **October 22 at 4:20PM in Theater 1**, the WiMAX Forum President, **Declan Byrne** will host a presentation at the **ATCA Annual Conference and Exposition** held at Walter E. Washington

Convention Center - Washington, D.C. Byrne will speak about the latest AeroMACS developments and FCC Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM). If you would pre-scheduled a meeting time with us, please email **info@WiMAXForum.org** and we will be glad to schedule a time to speak with you.

The WiMAX Forum has received VIP Complimentary Passes to participate at **Industry 4.0 Conference** taking place on September 23-24 in Chicago, Illinois. If you are planning to attend MarketsandMarkets Industry 4.0 Conference: Cybersecurity & Industrial Internet of Things, please email **info@WiMAXForum.org** to receive a VIP Pass.

We will continue to increase awareness of, educate, and meet with industry leaders worldwide regarding implementing and developing WiMAX, AeroMACS, and WiGRID networks in ways that will best serve all stakeholders. Our focus has been to share key lessons, concrete knowledge, and work together for the benefit of the industry. Our involvement in these events has proven to be the right strategy, fostering a prosperous environment and future for the WiMAX ecosystem. We are seeing concrete results from our activities in the industrial markets particularly through AeroMACS and Smart Energy events, which have provided excellent exposure, reception, and engagement. For more information about our events, please visit: **WiMAX Forum Events**.

Please reach out to us if you have any questions or comments. We at the WiMAX Forum wish you a wonderful rest of the month and we hope to see you soon.

Best Regards, WiMAX Forum

# **INDUSTRY SPOTLIGHT**

The WiMAX Forum maintains a bustling schedule of public appearances, white paper publications, webinars, and press releases on behalf of our industry. Below you can find the most relevant activities and latest communications.

### • Siemens Deploys Innovative Communication System at Tom Jobim Airport in Brazil

A leader in innovation and digital solutions for the market, Siemens is rolling out a new operational communications and data digitization system at RIOgaleao - Tom Jobim International Airport, in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Called AeroMACS (Aeronautical Mobile Airport Communication System), this mobile broadband communications technology transmits real-time data and images to airport operators, facilitating and optimizing management of the entire site, which receives about 15 million passengers and operates over 50,000 flights a year.

# Please click here to read the press release, and click here to view the project video at YouTube.

### • The Standardized Solution for the Airport Surface Communications Worldwide

In our increasingly digitally connected world, the existing airport communications systems are greatly outdated, with infrastructure limitations that make supporting current airport traffic demands very challenging. Moreover, it is clear that these limitations will certainly not be sufficient to address future requirements. The limited data capacity of current ground communications networks places a burden on applications and their functionality.

### To read the entire publication, please click here.

# **EVENTS**

In the coming months, the WiMAX Forum will host, participate, attend, and support events globally. We continue our efforts to bring you quality conferences hosted by the WiMAX Forum, and we will present and participate at key industry events. The WiMAX Forum team looks forward to seeing you at these events.

## Featured Event:



### **Upcoming Events:**





The WiMAX Forum plans to host and participate in other events over the course of the year. As details concerning these events are finalized, we will be certain to keep you informed. **For more information about our events, please visit: WiMAX Forum Events**.

# **MEMBERSHIP SERVICES**

The **WiMAX Forum Membership** provides a wide range of **benefits and services** that promote growth and innovation of AeroMACS, WiGRID, and WiMAX technology. Only WiMAX Forum Members can **certify** products to guarantee interoperability and standard compliance for AeroMACS, WiGRID, and WiMAX; secure networks using **Public Key Infrastructure (PKI)** certificates; develop technical specifications; influence favorable regulatory environments; and contribute to the growth of the industry through standards development that satisfy the market needs, among other advantages.

The WiMAX Forum would like to extend a special welcome to the new members for 2019:

- German Aerospace Center (DLR)
- Ondas Networks

The WiMAX Forum is committed to delivering the value necessary for our members to get the most from their membership, and we are always engaging with individual members to discuss how we can

better serve them. If you are interested in speaking with our leadership team on our specific initiatives or have any questions, please send a message to **Membership@wimaxforum.org**.

The WiMAX Forum is the best place to access, leverage, and influence the growth and development of the AeroMACS, WiGRID, and WiMAX Technology. So be a leader and step up to get involved today!

## **WORKING GROUPS**

The **WiMAX Forum Working Groups** are key to the development of WiMAX technology. The Working Groups are chartered by the WiMAX Forum to bring together content experts from member companies to collaborate and contribute to specification development, harmonize documents, and perform other tasks that the WiMAX Forum has determined to be necessary or useful. The WiMAX Forum organizes its technical activities through a number of Working Groups that produce technical requirements, develop technical specifications, and advise the forum.

The Working Groups are currently focused on **AeroMACS**, **Smart Energy**, product certification and various spectrum access solutions. A number of activities are scheduled and we need the help of your technical experts in these groups. It is a crucial time for your organization to influence and leverage the Working Groups activities and contribute to the development of the market. If you are interested in participating in our **Working Groups**, please contact us at **info@WiMAXForum.org** and we will be glad to speak with you about this opportunity.

The Aviation Working Group (AWG) and the AWG Certification Task Group (CTG) have been making significant advancements on several technical projects including: AeroMACS Product Conformance Certification, AeroMACS Public Key Infrastructure (PKI), FCC AeroMACS Petition for Rulemaking, and other initiatives to support AeroMACS as the standard selected to improve the safety and regularity of flights.

WiMAX Forum Members AeroMACS manufacturers will be participating in an AeroMACS PlugFest at the AeroMACS Designated Certification Laboratory (ADCL) highlighting PKI and mobility. This will be a final step for multiple vendors to achieve complete certification including (Interoperability Testing (IOT), Protocol Conformance Testing (PCT) and Radio Conformance Testing (RCT)) expected to be held in 2019 at Powertech Labs. As details concerning this event are finalized, we will be certain to keep you informed.

The AWG CTG is finalizing the IOT procedures and has finalized PlugFest procedures to support this event and future certification to support an overall WiMAX Forum certification compliance for AeroMACS based on international approved standards. The CTG has completed and published the WiMAX Forum® AeroMACS Test Suite Structure and Test Purposes (TSS&TP) for PCT and RCT Specifications to test for conformance to industry requirements.

The WiMAX Forum, **ICAO** and key industry stakeholders collaborate in the oversight of AeroMACS PKI for the ecosystem in the AeroMACS Advisory Council (AAC). The WiMAX Forum has partnered with

**Eonti** to manage and implement **AeroMACS PKI** as the Management Authority (MA). The MA has brought on the first Certificate Authority (CA) to make AeroMACS PKI commercially available to make AeroMACS operational networks secure. An overview of the AeroMACS PKI process is available here: **AeroMACS PKI Users Overview**.

The Smart Energy Working Group (SEWG) next meeting will be scheduled shortly. As details concerning the next SEWG meeting are finalized, we will be certain to keep you informed.

You can learn more about the Working Group activities by visiting the member's workspace area to view the outcomes of recent Working Group sessions or join groups to receive emails related to that group's activities. To find more information on our Working Groups, please visit: www.wimaxforum.org/Page/About/Working-Groups.

Working Group activity is integral to the success of the Forum, and your participation is important to the WiMAX community!

## WIMAX FORUM NEWS

The WiMAX Forum weekly Newsbrief contains the summary of news from around the WiMAX ecosystem and is intended as a benefit to our community. If you do not yet receive the Newsbrief and wish to do so, please sign up here: **WiMAX Newsbrief**.

### Below is a summary for the month of August:

- AeroMACS Deployed at RIOgaleao by Siemens YouTube Video
- The First Civil Aviation Technical Equipment and Service Exhibition Will Be Held in Beijing in September
- Industrial Internet of Things (IIoT) Cybersecurity Risks, Solutions and Evolutions
- Singapore, China Sign Mutual MRO Deal
- AI World & Cyber Security
- The Internet of Things: Security Challenges in a 5G Era
- WInnForum Committee to Study 6 GHz Sharing Arrangements, Interference
- Security Pros: Be on High Alert for Certificate Changes
- ICAO Manual on the Aeronautical Mobile Airport Communication System (AeroMACS)
- Five Key Questions Answered for Airlines About the Transition to System Wide Information Management
- Ask the Experts: How Industrial Organizations Can Strengthen Their Security Posture
- Sensors Fostering Digital Security across the Borders
- Ask the Expert: Tim Callan, Senior Fellow at Sectigo
- Smart Home Summit

- IATA: Solid Passenger Demand, Record Load Factor in June
- Black Hat: The Future of Securing Power Grid Intelligent Devices
- Japan Tops 177 Mln Mobile Subscribers in June
- Singapore Cyberattacks Mostly Due to Poor Security Practices by IT Teams, Says Expert
- Siemens Deploys Innovative Communication System at Tom Jobim Airport in Brazil
- China Civil Aviation Technical Standard Order
- NTIA Requires Federal Spectrum Use Review
- CARATS Policy Implementation Plan
- Increasing Cybersecurity in Transportation
- Asia IoT Business Platform
- Certificate Management: Remember to Enforce PKI Lifecycle Automation
- Artificial Intelligence Can Be a Weapon for and Against Hackers, Says Digicert Expert
- Agencies Can Turn to Federal Grants to Fund Cybersecurity Efforts
- The Network the Oil & Gas Industry Needs
- ICNS 2019 a Global Event, Looking Towards 2020
- An Insight into the Capacity Crunch
- Aircraft Hacking Alert Highlights Risks Facing Air Transport Industry
- U.S. Department of Transportation Announces \$478 Million in Infrastructure Grants to 232 Airports in 43 States
- ATCA Annual Conference and Exposition
- KDDI Achieves Growth in Mobile and FTTH Subscribers
- Bangladeshi Internet Users Reach Nearly 100 Min
- Brussels Strengthens Safety Cooperation with Japan
- July 2019 WiMAX Forum Monthly Newsletter



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