



Welcome



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Conference Logistics

- Conference materials
- Room layout
- Meetings: WSRD-SSG and CSMAC
- DFS Test System Demo
- Food
- Internet resources – www.its.bldrdoc.gov/isart
- Boulder
- Informal social events: Hike and happy hour





Current Background

- ISART (in general)
- FCC National Broadband Plan
- Presidential Memo
- NTIA Plan and Fast Track Recommendations
- Proposed legislation



Why is Finding Extra Spectrum Difficult?

- Economic Constraints
 - Established legacy
 - Lack of incentive
 - Budgetary constraints
- Technical Complexity
 - Technology is moving to wider bandwidths
 - Advanced Technical knowledge
 - needed to forecast success/failure of repurposed spectrum
 - Variety of systems and usage models
- Stakeholder Dynamics
 - Diverse array of stakeholders, roles, and relationships
 - Competing self-interests



Diverse Array of Stakeholders, Roles, and Relationships

- Government
- International communities
- Spectrum managers and regulators
- Federal and private-sector incumbents
- Big business and lobbyists
- Think tanks
- Unlicensed users and small business
- Acquisition offices and investors
- Technologists, innovators, and R&D
- Standards bodies
- Application users



Competing Influences and Self-Interests

- Federal vs. commercial
- Science vs. politics
- Regulators vs. regulated
- Profit vs. social benefit
- Short-term vs. long-term
- Licensed vs. unlicensed
- Business X vs. business Y
- Agency X vs. agency Y
- Business X vs. agency Y
- Service X vs. service Y



ISART 2010 – Spectrum Sharing

- Format Goal: Multi-stakeholder, multi-disciplinary debate and discussions
- Principle-Based Goal: To evaluate sharing as a means of improving overall utilization of the spectrum
- Session Topics:
 - DSA Technologies and Rules
 - Measuring Spectrum Occupancy
 - Interference Protection Criteria
 - Spectrum Management
 - Sharing LMR Bands
 - Sharing Radar Bands
 - Business
 - Context Awareness
 - Research



ISART 2010 – Conclusions

- There are successful spectrum sharing solutions, largely amongst existing spectrum holders
- There are other DSA solutions beyond sensing— e.g., database, beaconing
- Primary obstacles are trust and complexity of sharing scenarios
- DSA technology is somewhat captured in R&D until regulators provide a big enough sandbox to justify investment
- Conflicting self-interests cause information-sharing asymmetries
- Need for flexible funding structures, incentives, and continued Executive/Legislative support



ISART 2010 – Unanswered Q's

- What whitespace should be used for spectrum sharing? Why?
- What are the IPC's of incumbent systems? What technologies and upgrades are available to make systems less susceptible to each other?
- What information is available to improve context awareness and enable cognition and/or DSA?
- Are there legitimate spectrum sharing business models?
- What rules and regulations would promote harmonious coexistence and sharing?

Spectrum Discussions

Means to
Further
Exploit
Spectrum

Red	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
Red	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
Orange	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
Red	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
Red	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue

RS#1 RS#2 RS#3 RS#4 RS#5

Radio Service

Reallocation: Inventory, Technology Alternatives

Relocation: Inventory, Spectrum Alternatives

Spectrum Sharing: Interference Protection Criteria, Propagation, Information Sharing, DSA

Technology Upgrade, Re-engineering, and R&D: Digital Signal Processing, Adaptive Antennas

Rules, Regulation & Enforcement: Trust, Access



When Focused on Individual Radio Services...

- Inventory usage models, operational parameters, and propagation to identify underutilized spectrum and whitespace.
- Evaluate compatibility with other systems.
- Re-engineer to achieve optimal spectrum efficiency, e.g., reduce out-of-band emission, reduce susceptibility to interference, enable information sharing.
- Assess viability of sharing business models and markets.
- Develop rules and a regulatory framework for improving utilization.



ISART 2011

- Principle-based goal: To develop forward-thinking rules and processes to fully exploit spectrum resources.
- Chosen radio service: Radar
- Format goal: To bring together the radar and communications communities for idea sharing and collaboration in an effort to engineer the radar spectrum for maximum benefit to all stakeholders.





Why Radar?

- Radar spectrum is being squeezed, and in some cases performance is being degraded
- Uses a lot of spectrum – 1537 MHz or 45% of spectrum between 300 MHz and 3700 MHz
- Radar has existed a long time - there is good reason to examine radar spectrum efficiency
- Potential for good quality whitespace
- Advanced R&D community



ISART 2011 Outline

- Lectures – Bill Melvin (GTRI/SEAL)
- Inventory Briefings – Matthew Hussey (Senator Snowe)
- Keynotes – Thomas Power (NTIA), Phil Weiser (CU)
- Overview Panel – Michael Calabrese (New America)
- International Radar Compatibility – John Mettrop (CAA)
- Radar R&D – Joe Guerci (Guerci Consulting)
- Sharing with Commercial Systems – Julius Knapp (FCC)
- Regulatory Reform to Facilitate Spectrum Sharing – Eric Nelson (NTIA/ITS)





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- Session Chairs
- Speakers

