# Asterix category 002 - Transmission of Monoradar Service Messages

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#### **Preamble**

Surveillance data exchange.

# Description of standard data items

# I002/000 - Message Type

definition: This Data Item allows for a more convenient handling of the messages at the receiver side by further defining the type of transaction.

Element bit size: 8 Values:

- 1: North marker message
- 2: Sector crossing message
- **3:** South marker message
- 8: Activation of blind zone filtering
- 9: Stop of blind zone filtering

**Notes:** 1. In application where transactions of various types are exchanged, the Message Type Data Item facilitates the proper message handling at the receiver side.

2. Message Type values 1-127 are reserved for common standard use, whereas the values 128-255 are application dependent.

#### I002/010 - Data Source Identifier

definition: Identification of the radar station from which the data are received. Group

#### I002/010/SAC - System Area Code

Element bit size: 8 Raw Content

## I002/010/SIC - System Identification Code

Element bit size: 8 Raw Content

#### **Notes:**

- 1. The defined SACs are listed in Part 1, Table 2 [Ref. 2]
- 2. The defined SICs are listed in Part 1, Annex B [Ref. 2]

## I002/020 - Sector Number

definition: Eight most significant bits of the antenna azimuth defining a particular azimuth sector.

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Element bit size: 8 Unsigned quantity LSB = 360/2^8 ° \approx 1.40625 ° unit: "°"
```

The use of the antenna azimuth as sector number has the advantage of being independent of the number of sectors implemented.

## **I002/030 - Time of Day**

definition: Absolute time stamping expressed as UTC time.

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Element bit size: 24 Unsigned quantity LSB = 1/2^7 s \approx 7.8125e - 3 s unit: "s"
```

#### Notes:

- 1. The time of day value is reset to zero each day at midnight.
- 2. For time management in radar transmission applications, refer to Part 1, paragraph 5.4 [ Ref.2].
- 3. Data Item 1002/030 can have various logical meanings. In a particular message, the logical meaning is implicit from its context (e.g. in a North marker message it represents the antenna North crossing time; in a sector message it represents the antenna sector crossing time).

#### 1002/041 - Antenna Rotation Speed

definition: Antenna rotation period as measured between two consecutive North crossings or as averaged during a period of time.

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Element bit size: 16 Unsigned quantity LSB = 1/2^7 s \approx 7.8125e - 3 s unit: "s"
```

## **I002/050 - Station Configuration Status**

definition: Information concerning the use and status of some vital hardware components of the radar system.

Repetitive

With FX extension bit.

Element bit size: 7 Raw Content

Due to the diversity in hardware design and requirement of present and future radar stations, it is felt impractical to attempt to define the individual bits.

#### 1002/060 - Station Processing Mode

definition: Details concerning the present status with respect to processing parameters and options.

Repetitive

With FX extension bit.

Element bit size: 7 Raw Content

#### **NOTES:**

- 1. Typical information conveyed within this Data Item includes inter alia type of polarisation in use, Moving Target Indicator (MTI) in use and/or definition of the range to which MTI is applied, presence of overload conditions and the type of load reduction measures in use.
- 2. Only the structure of this Data Item is defined, no attempt is made to standardise its contents, in order not to hamper any application or future development.

#### **I002/070 - Plot Count Values**

definition: Plot count values according to various plot categories, either for the last full antenna scan or for the last sector processed.

Repetitive

Regular, 1 byte(s) REP field size.

Group

#### I002/070/A - Aerial Identification

Element bit size: 1 Values:

**0:** Counter for antenna 1 **1:** Counter for antenna 2

## **I002/070/IDENT**

Element bit size: 5 Values:

Sole primary plots
Sole SSR plots
Combined plots

#### **I002/070/COUNTER**

Element bit size: 10 Unsigned integer

#### **I002/080 - Warning/Error Conditions**

definition: Warning/error conditions affecting the functioning of the radar system itself.

Repetitive

With FX extension bit.

Element bit size: 7 Raw Content

**NOTE:** Warning/error condition values 1-63 are reserved for common Standard use, whereas the values 64-127 are application dependent.

#### **I002/090 - Collimation Error**

definition: Averaged difference in range and in azimuth for the primary target position with respect to the SSR target position as calculated by the radar station.

Group

#### I002/090/RE - Range Error

Element bit size: 8 Signed quantity LSB =  $1/2^7$  NM  $\approx 7.8125e - 3$  NM unit: "NM"

#### I002/090/AE - Azimuth Error

Element bit size: 8 Signed quantity LSB =  $360/2^14$  °  $\approx 2.197265625e-2$  ° unit: "°"

#### **NOTES**

- 1. LSB of RE is calculated as  $2^{16-f}$ .
- 2. A default quantisation unit of  $0.022^{\circ}$  and a range between -2.8125° and +2.7905° is obtained for a value of f=2.

## I002/100 - Dynamic Window Type 1

definition: Signals the activation of a certain selective filtering function and in a polar coordinates system the respective geographical areas.

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#### **I002/100/RS - Rho Start**

Element bit size: 16 Unsigned quantity LSB =  $1/2^7$  NM  $\approx 7.8125e-3$  NM unit: "NM" < 512.0

## I002/100/RE - Rho End

Element bit size: 16 Unsigned quantity LSB =  $1/2^7$  NM  $\approx 7.8125e-3$  NM unit: "NM" < 512.0

## I002/100/TS - Theta Start

Element bit size: 16 Unsigned quantity LSB =  $360/2^16$  °  $\approx 5.4931640625e-3$  ° unit: "°"

## I002/100/TE - Theta End

Element bit size: 16 Unsigned quantity LSB =  $360/2^16$  °  $\approx 5.4931640625e-3$  ° unit: "°"

The logical meaning of the polar window is defined by its context, given by the Message Type (Data Item I002/000) in the record concerned.

## 1002/SP - Special Purpose Field

definition: Special Purpose Field Explicit (SpecialPurpose)

# **User Application Profile**

- 1: I002/010 Data Source Identifier
- 2: I002/000 Message Type
- 3: I002/020 Sector Number
- 4: I002/030 Time of Day
- 5: I002/041 Antenna Rotation Speed
- 6: I002/050 Station Configuration Status
- 7: I002/060 Station Processing Mode
- (FX) Field extension indicator
- 8: I002/070 Plot Count Values
- 9: I002/100 Dynamic Window Type 1
- 10: I002/090 Collimation Error
- 11: I002/080 Warning/Error Conditions
- Spare
- 13: I002/SP Special Purpose Field
- RFS indicator
- (FX) Field extension indicator