

Romanian Pilot Site

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Summary

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Strategy for the e-Call Deployment in the country

- Seamlessly integrate the eCall service in the existing 112 system without changing the current system architecture
- Integrate eCall at national level in the 112 PSAPs and in all the emergency agencies
- Use a centralized approach
- Present the incoming eCalls to the 112 operators in the same interface as normal 112 calls, updated with data from MSD

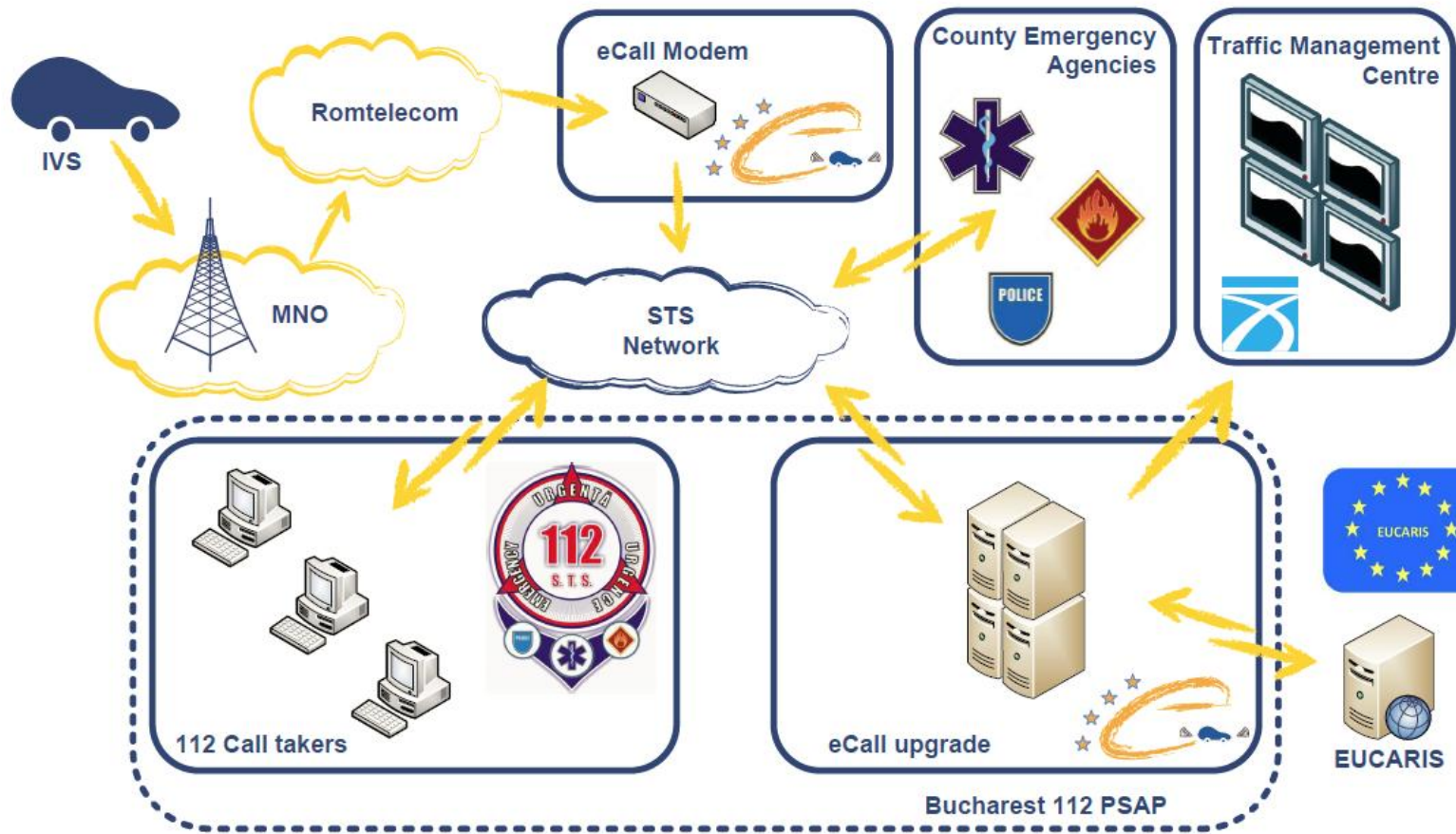
Project Consortium

- National consortium
 - ITS Romania – national coordinator / dissemination
 - STS – 112 PSAP administrator / WP3 coordinator
 - RNCMNR – traffic management centre
 - UTI Systems – VIN processing & MSD decoding subsystems
 - ELSOL – 112 PSAP–TMC interface
 - RAU – dissemination
- Supporting partners
 - IVS: Civitronic, Cinterion
 - MNOs: RDS-RCS, Orange, Vodafone
 - DRPCIV – national EUCARIS database

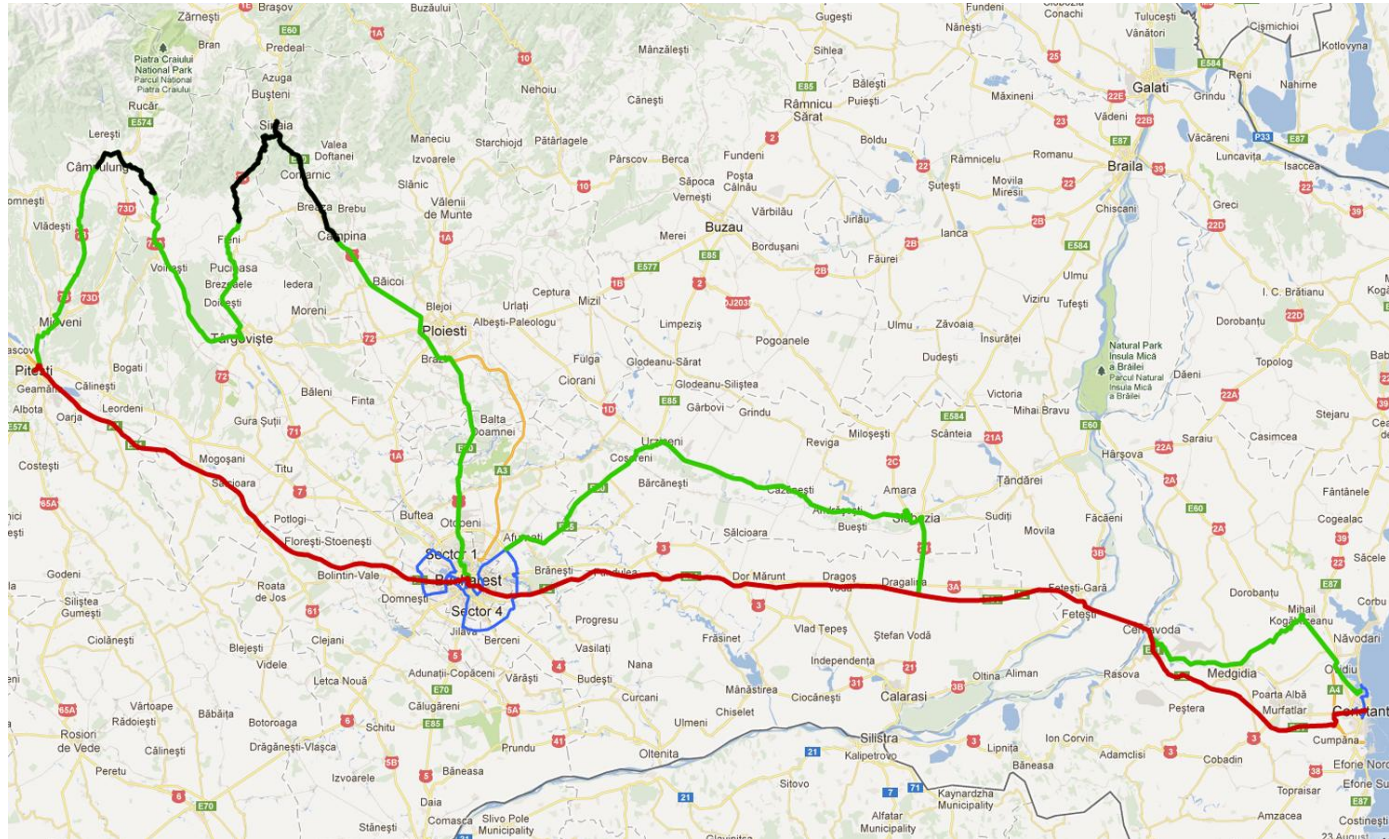
Test site description (1/2)

- The eCall system implemented in Romania is centralized (all the calls are received in Bucharest and then routed to the county emergency agencies)
- 2 different IVSs were used for the majority of tests
- eCall flag was implemented by one MNO in all the counties where tests were made and only in test cells by other 2 MNOs
- Interoperability tests:
 - Croatia: completed in both ways (HR IVS -> RO PSAP, RO IVS -> HR PSAP)
 - Italy: on-going

Test site architecture



Test site description (2/2)



Legend

Motorway

Rural

Urban

Mountain

Overview of the current situation (1/2)

- Most of the tests were done in the live 112 system using the 112 number and eCall flag
- During the tests a real 112 operator was answering the calls
- Tests covered the distribution chain from the vehicle to the real live 112 PSAP and to a simulated emergency agency (to avoid disturbing the real ones)
- Tests included driving sessions and different types of areas from where eCalls were generated (urban area, rural area, mountain area and highway).

Overview of the current situation (2/2)

- Besides the regular chain for eCall, two additional functionalities were tested:
 - Interface with EUCARIS: the emergency agency operator has the ability to query the database to get more information from the VIN (the 112 operator hasn't got this option)
 - Interface with Traffic Management Centre: the TMC receives data about the incidents at the same time as the emergency agencies

Main outcomes of the tests (1/2)

- Over 30 test sessions between May and July 2012
- Over 1000 real life tests were done
- 3-4 seconds to present the call to the 112 operator (mean value)
- 15 seconds to present the MSD content to the 112 operator (mean value)

Main outcomes of the tests (2/2)

- Conclusions
 - The in-band modem seems to have a slightly lower robustness than the voice call itself due to low radio coverage.
 - The eCall in-band modem seems to work quite well when voice coverage is good.
 - Because EUCARIS information is requested automatically by the system when the MSD is received, when an operator tries to view it, the information is displayed almost instantly.

Main Issues

- Problems with IVS switching in another network when the signal is weak
Solution: We are discussing with our IVS suppliers to change this behaviour.
- Call-back isn't possible when the IVS calls from other network than the native one
Solution: We are discussing with the national regulation authority for communications about implementing national roaming.

Public / User Acceptance

- Public Acceptance
 - First impressions are positive
 - The public is concerned about privacy
 - A questionnaire for analyzing the level of acceptance will be distributed in the first part of 2013
- User Acceptance
 - National fleet services providers receive requests for eCall on their vehicles
 - Users are interested in buying aftermarket devices for their current vehicles

Plans for the future

- Plans for the future towards deployment
 - Defining the EUCARIS data fields that are required by the emergency agencies
 - Transferring calls to the real live emergency agencies and involving them in the operational tests
 - Test eCall flags with the other MNOs
 - Defining procedures for using eCall data in TMC
- Dissemination
 - International HeERO Conference planned for November 2013

Thank for the attention

Questions ?