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Recent Activities Applicable to Counter-Piracy Operations

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NC3A: What We Do

Provide the seamless provision of unbiased scientific support and common funded acquisition of Consultation, Command, Control, Communications, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (C4ISR) capabilities.

Our areas of expertise are organized into nine Capability Area Teams:

Capability Planning and Architectures
Interoperability
Exercises and Training
Operations Planning and Execution (J3/J5)
Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance
Integration Support and VAS
Core Services
Information Assurance and Service Control
Infrastructure Services









NC3A's Roles and Partners in MDA







- Technical manager for MAJIIC
- Facilitators (level playing field)
- Only interest is NATO success
- Broad Technical know-how
- State-of-the-art facilities
- Knowledge of NATO and NATO initiatives
- Operational understanding
- Information Exchange Enablers
- On-going Cooperation with NURC, COEs,

etc.









systems

Industry

and many more...





National



Example: Enhanced Maritime Domain Awareness (MDA)

Generation of the Recognized Surface Picture (RSP) through correlation of Radar, ESM and AIS data

Provide RSP via L16 J 3.3



Radar Track

ESM intercept of Nav. Radar

AIS - Monitoring of Ships data Position, Course, Speed, etc.



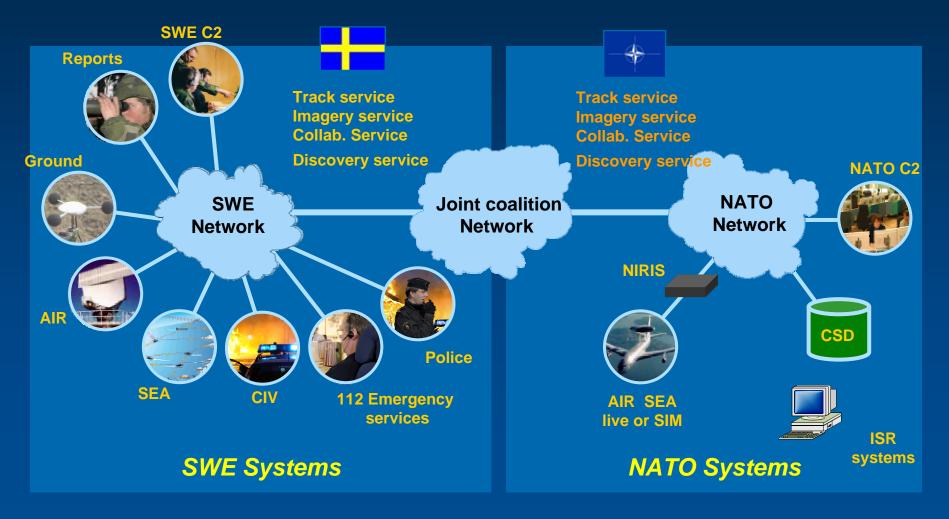
AIS widely used in ACTIVE ENDEAVOUR Tested by E3-D Comp.

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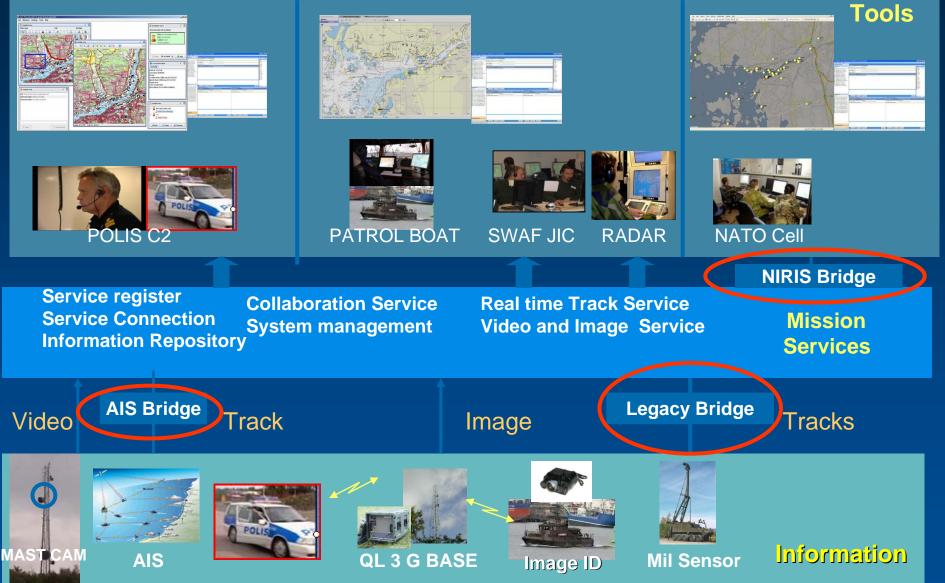
Example: NATO – SWEDEN "Intrusion from the Sea"

Joint Live Experiment & Workshop on NEC 24-25 September 2008 at Enköping, Sweden





Example: Sharing Maritime Real Time Information





Example: NC3A Multi-National Maritime Programme Office Initiative

Focus on solutions for participating nations (NATO, and non-NATO) which fall outside the scope of NSIP funding. Provide solutions in parallel to enable coordination with the work being performed on Project Triton to ensure a common architecture with other NATO services.

Through this initiative NC3A will:

- Meet nations' needs for maritime information interoperability
- Provide Tactical and CIMIC features that are not currently eligible for NSIP funding
- Provide additional support to National Maritime C2 services
- Provide Tactical-level capabilities for participating nations
- Facilitate Information exchange of maritime data/products with civilian organizations
- Provide an unbiased broker of Maritime C2 technology for nations.



Aspects of Complex Systems/Problems in the Maritime Domain

Almost always multi-disciplinary

- No one technology will solve the whole problem
- Almost Always cross-boundry
 - "Seams" which cross Military-Civil lines of authority
- Multiple levels of security
 - Need-to-know v. need-to share
- Require knowledge of the underlying processes
 - New technologies and new processes must develop together
- Interfaces are as important as the internal
 - Potential weaknesses and areas of confusion
 - Adversaries will always exploit weaknesses



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