

# SATCOM SERVICES AND APPLICATIONS

# TYPES OF COMMUNICATION SERVICES PROVIDED BY SATELLITES



#### FIXED SATELLITE SERVICE (FSS)

A radiocommunication service between earth stations located at given positions which transmit signals to or receive signals from one or more satellites.



#### MOBILE SATELLITE SERVICE (MSS)

A radiocommunication service between mobile earth stations which transmit signals to or receive signals from one or more satellites.



#### BROADCAST SATELLITE SERVICE (BSS)

A radiocommunication service in which signals transmitted or retransmitted by a satellite are intended for direct reception within a defined area.

### SERVICES















## LOW DATA RATE SYSTEMS



IP SERVICES (EMAIL, MESSAGING, CHAT)



HIGH-RESOLUTION IMAGES TRANSMISSION



REMOTE AND SECURE ACCESS TO SPECIFIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS



Very high High Medium

Bandwidth Latency

Low

• Very high reliability

Real-time video streaming

one-way communication

Video streaming (non-real time)

one-way communication

Radio services

e.g., voice messaging, voice broadcasting, push-to-talk

Other non-real time data transfer

e.g., e-mail, Internet browsing

Remote and secure access to specific information and databases

e.g., access to local networks

Network backhauling

e.g., satellite backhaul for 5G networks Video conferencing

Video and voice, real time

Voice calls

e.g., teleconference, phone

Real-time content sharing

e.g., images, messaging, gaming

Inter-systems data transmission\*

e.g., unmanned aircraft vehicle satellite communications, command & control links

loT applications\*\*

Machine to machine communications

 High bandwidth for transmission of some data, e.g., Imagery, video.
 Very high reliability for command and control links.

\*\* Very high reliability for critical apps, e.g., an autonomous car.

# **GLOSSARY**

BANDWIDTH a range of radio frequencies within a given band used for transmitting a signal.

It also indicates the maximum amount of data that can be transferred on a link  $\,$ 

in a given amount of time. In this sense, bandwidth is the number of bits per second that a link can send or receive.

DATA RATE the amount of data transferred per unit of time over a communication system.

It provides an estimate of aggregated bandwidth required from an earth station, operational

centre and a satellite. Data rate indicates the actual speed of data transmission.

**EARTH STATION** a terrestrial radio station which enables communications via one or more satellites.

LATENCY time taken for a signal to go from the sending station through the satellite to

the receiving station. Latency represents the time delay over a communications link.

**RELIABILITY** the probability of correct operation of a SatCom system (including the satellite

and ground stations) during a given lifetime.



