R&S®PR100
Portable Receiver
On-site radiomonitoring from 9 kHz to 7.5 GHz
Despite its compact design, the R&S®PR100 offers a wide range of functions otherwise available only in equipment in higher price segments. Its favorable price/performance ratio makes it an indispensable instrument for all radiomonitoring tasks where high mobility and cost-efficiency are crucial.

Featuring compact size and low weight, the R&S®PR100 is ideal for use in places that cannot be accessed with a vehicle. Its low power consumption allows the receiver to operate for up to four hours on a single battery charge. The lithium-ion battery can be exchanged in a matter of seconds without any tools. The current instrument settings are automatically written to the internal memory when the receiver is switched off.

**Key facts**

- Fast panorama scan across the entire frequency range from 9 kHz to 7.5 GHz
- 10 MHz IF spectrum and demodulation with bandwidths from 150 Hz to 500 kHz
- Spectrum and spectrogram (waterfall) display on 6.5” color screen
- Storage of measurement data to receiver’s built-in SD card
- LAN interface for remote control and data output
- Ergonomic and rugged design for portable use
- Low weight: 3.5 kg including battery
- Manual location of emissions with the R&S®HE300 active directional antenna (9 kHz to 7.5 GHz)
- Automatic location of emissions with direction finding algorithms (20 MHz to 6 GHz)
- Display of digital maps on the R&S®PR100; triangulation based on multiple, manually or automatically determined DF results
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- State-of-the-art digital signal processing for high receiver sensitivity and detection of extremely weak signals without any loss in processing speed
- Significantly superior receiver sensitivity and signal resolution (compared with conventional analog receivers)
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Retrieval of information through demodulation
- Analog-modulated signals demodulated directly in the receiver; contents audible using headphones or built-in loudspeaker
- Digitally modulated signals converted to the baseband using I/Q demodulation and stored in the receiver or exported via LAN
- Online and offline analysis of digitally modulated signals, e.g. with the R&S®GX430 software

Detection of pulsed signals and radar emissions
- Capture of short-duration pulses, such as radar emissions
- Wide IF bandwidth for analysis of short-duration pulses and pulse packets

Monitoring receiver and mobile data memory in a single unit
- Collected information written directly to the receiver’s built-in SD card
- Offline analysis of data recording during monitoring

Efficient operation via remote control
- Full remote control via LAN interface (SCPI commands to IEEE 488.2)
- Efficient, remote receiver operation, e.g. in unattended monitoring stations
- R&S®PR100-Control remote control software from the R&S®RAMON software family included
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Battery operation for mobile use
- Low weight: 3.5 kg including battery
- Long battery-powered operation: approx. 4 hours

Intuitive, simple operation
- Short learning curve due to straightforward menu structure and simple operation
- Large 6.5” color display for signal analysis
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Interference detection and location in professional radio networks

Its compact design and wide range of special functions make the R&S®PR100 an ideal choice for tracking all types of radio interference.

Reliable detection of radio interference caused, for example, by defective electronic equipment
To master these tasks, the R&S®PR100 includes special functions such as selectable measurement time and continuous or periodic level output. Since these functions are also effective in the panorama scan mode, even non-periodic interferers which are otherwise difficult to recognize due to their irregular appearance in a quickly changing spectrum can be easily detected.

Fast and effective elimination of interference sources, e.g. at airports
Using the R&S®HE300 active directional antenna together with the R&S®PR100 portable receiver, the source of an interference can be quickly and reliably located and eliminated. This capability is especially important in security-critical radio scenarios (e.g. air traffic control, ATC) as it prevents high failure costs for the service provider. The fast panorama scan is ideal for this task.

In the panorama scan mode, the frequency range of interest is scanned in steps of max. 10 MHz. An FFT of corresponding width is calculated for each step. Maximum scan speed is achieved by selecting the maximum spacing of 100 kHz between the FFT calculation points.

This provides a quick overview of the spectrum occupancy. Any changes caused by illegal radio services, interference sources, temporary emissions, etc. are easy to recognize. If the user stops the panorama scan, the receiver switches to the audio-monitoring mode. Using the marker function, a signal of interest can be selected, demodulated, and the signal content analyzed.

The step width for the fast panorama scan can be chosen to match the channel spacing of a variety of radio services. The panorama scan provides high scan rates at narrow resolution bandwidths and high sensitivity.

Interference in radiocommunications, e.g. at airports, not only impedes operation – it may even pose a threat to life.
Monitoring of user-specific radio services

The frequency scan mode is mainly intended for monitoring radio services that use fixed channel spacing.

Monitoring of a large number of radio services with different scan modes

In the frequency scan mode, a user-defined frequency range is scanned using fixed channel spacing. The receiver steps through the frequency range of interest and checks every channel to see if any signals are present. If a signal is detected that exceeds the predefined level threshold, the receiver dwells at the corresponding frequency for the set hold time, allowing for the signal to be demodulated and processed. In the case of analog modulation, the demodulated signal can be monitored via the loudspeaker or headphones.

In the memory scan mode, predefined channels stored in memory locations are consecutively scanned and analyzed to see if any signals are present. The R&S®PR100 offers 1024 user-definable memory locations. Receive parameters can be assigned separately to each memory location.

The memory scan mode is especially useful for scanning individual frequencies that do not have fixed channel spacing or that use different demodulation modes and bandwidths. The memory scan mode offers the user a greater degree of freedom than the frequency scan mode.

Monitoring of an organization’s own emissions in an assigned service band

- Shortwave communications
- Tactical communications
- Air traffic control (ATC)
- TETRA
- Demodulation, e.g. of broadband TETRA with 200 kHz channel bandwidth
- 433 MHz/868 MHz/2.4 GHz ISM bands
- GSM 850/900/1800/1900
- AMPS/DECT/UMTS
- Bluetooth®/WLAN
- WiMAX™/Wi-Fi
- RFID/ZigBee

Smooth operation of an organization’s own radio networks is vital to ensure operational readiness – not only for government operators.
Homing of emergency signals

Transmitters can be tracked not only visually by displaying the received signal level or the spectrum, but also acoustically with the tone function.

Location of source of emergency call with the R&S®HE300 active directional antenna

For example, if an emergency transmitter has been identified at a specific frequency, the user can activate the tone function in order to locate the transmitter. This function causes the receiver to output a whistling tone whose pitch varies with the level of the signal received. The signal level, in turn, varies as the user changes position or points the antenna in various directions.

Tone function for source location in difficult terrain

The acoustic level indication allows the user to fully concentrate on the terrain and on tracking the transmitter as there is no need to continuously monitor the receiver display.

When a person in distress has been located with the R&S®PR100 and the R&S®HE300, the position information is immediately forwarded to the rescue team.
Location of improvised explosive devices (IED)

By approaching the signal source, the R&S®PR100 can locate even extremely weak signals in difficult terrain.

Detection of IEDs even when they are in standby mode
For example, the oscillator reradiation of an IED (once the frequency is known) is visible on the display of the R&S®PR100 even if the IED device is operating in the receive-only mode. The receiver of a remote detonation device leaves traces in the frequency spectrum even in standby mode. Oscillator reradiation and other spurious effects caused by remote-control electronics are unintended emissions. They tend to occur more frequently in semi-professional equipment such as used, for example, to detonate improvised explosive devices.

Homing of IEDs with the R&S®HE300 active directional antenna
The R&S®PR100’s wide receive frequency range proves very helpful when it comes to detecting these emissions, since the exact spectral range is not known when the search begins. The receiver features a preselection function, which yields valuable results even in environments characterized by strong noise or strong signal levels close to the frequency of interest. The preselection function limits the signal sum level to be handled by the receiver. As a result, it provides effective signal detection in battlefield scenarios that are highly loaded in terms of frequency and level.

Low weight and long battery operating time for mobile applications
Weighing only about 3.5 kg, the receiver can be easily carried in a convenient chest strap. The R&S®PR100 operates for an average period of four hours on a single battery charge. This makes it suitable for all kinds of portable radiomonitoring applications.
Detection of bugs, e.g. in conference rooms
The R&S®PR100 can easily detect all types of miniature transmitters (bugs) as it approaches them. Its wide frequency range from 9 kHz to 7.5 GHz covers the frequency bands of the majority of miniature transmitters used today. For frequencies above 7.5 GHz, the R&S®HF907DC frequency-converting, portable directional antenna can be used to expand the receive frequency range up to 18 GHz.

Location of bugs with the R&S®HE300 active directional antenna
The R&S®PR100 offers a differential mode function to facilitate signal detection. The current spectrum can be stored as a reference spectrum by pressing the associated key during the panorama scan. The receiver then displays any signal variations as a differential spectrum relative to the reference spectrum. Any new or changed signals can be recognized at a glance. The intensity of the signals emitted is strongly dependent on direction, especially in the close vicinity of miniature transmitters. The differential mode function is therefore a valuable aid in tracking these transmitters.

Another efficient tool for locating miniature transmitters is the tone function of the R&S®PR100. This function outputs a whistling tone whose pitch varies with the level of the signal received. This facilitates locating the signal source because the user does not have to continuously monitor the receiver display.
Manual direction finding of a signal source with the R&S® HE300 active directional antenna
The desired direction information relative to north is obtained by manually lining up the R&S® HE300 in the receive direction where the signal is strongest. This information is shown on a compass rose on the R&S® PR100. Combining this information with the receiver’s GPS position gives the user clear position and direction information that can be used to approximate the location of the signal source. Several DF results can be combined to more exactly pinpoint the source of the signal.

Triangulation based on multiple, manually determined DF results
All saved DF results are available in list form. The user selects results from this list to carry out triangulation. The triangulation result, i.e. the strongest signal source, and the calculated error radius are displayed on a digital map loaded in the R&S® PR100. The location of the signal source is now known, and suitable measures can be taken to, for example, render the interfering electrical device inoperative and eliminate the interference.
Display of results on a digital map loaded in the R&S®PR100

Maps for the R&S®PR100 can be downloaded free of charge at www.openstreetmap.org. The R&S®OpenStreetMapWizard (OSMWizard) software makes downloading maps easy. Users simply select a map section, set the desired zoom factor and download the map to a PC. They then copy the files from the PC to the R&S®PR100’s SD card, where the files are now available for field use.

The R&S®HE300 active directional antenna including GPS module and electronic compass, connected to the R&S®PR100.

Maps can be downloaded at www.openstreetmap.org.
Triangulation to locate signal sources in automatic DF mode

High-precision, wideband DF methods in a compact package
The R&S®PR100-DF upgrade kit turns the R&S®PR100 into a powerful and convenient portable direction finder. Using the patented Rohde & Schwarz single-channel correlative interferometer DF method, it provides DF accuracy and immunity to reflections comparable to that of direction finders with two or more receive paths – without requiring additional hardware. The integrated upgrade kit covers a wide direction finding range of 20 MHz to 6 GHz. The advantages of the R&S®PR100 combined with the proven single-channel DF method provides users with a compact, battery-operated solution that is ideal for applications requiring flexibility and mobility – e.g. when tracking short-duration signals such as push-to-talk communications.

Installing the portable mobile direction finder in a commercial vehicle only takes a few minutes thanks to compact DF antennas with an integrated GPS receiver, electronic compass and an optional magnetic base adapter.

Automatic direction finding of a signal source with the R&S®ADD107 or R&S®ADD207 compact DF antenna
The receiver automatically obtains the desired bearing information relative to north. This information is shown on a compass rose on the R&S®PR100. When equipped with the R&S®PR100-GPS option, this information is combined with the receiver’s GPS position to provide clear position and direction information on a map. The R&S®PR100-GPS option uses running fix and the integrated triangulation function (including calculation of the error radius) to allow users to combine several DF results and more accurately pinpoint the source of the signal.
Future-ready investment

The receiver’s wide frequency range and outstanding performance make it a future-ready investment. The R&S®PR100 is capable of receiving and processing signals of current and future radio services.

High receiver sensitivity, high signal resolution
Using state-of-the-art digital signal processing, the R&S®PR100 can receive signals with high sensitivity and detect even extremely weak signals without any loss in processing speed. The receiver’s sensitivity and signal resolution are clearly superior to those of a conventional analog receiver.

Retrieval of information through demodulation
Signals with analog modulation can be demodulated in the receiver. The signal can be heard through the built-in loudspeaker or headphones. Complex baseband signals can be recorded internally or externally for offline analysis. The PC-based R&S®GX430 analysis software is available for both online and offline signal analysis. The data to be analyzed is transferred to a PC via LAN. The demodulation bandwidth can be selected independently of the IF bandwidth.

Detection of pulsed signals and radar emissions
Due to the large IF bandwidth of 10 MHz, even very short pulses and pulse packets (bursts) can be detected and the resulting very wide spectrum can be analyzed. Burst signals of this type are typically emitted by radar equipment.

Monitoring receiver and mobile data memory in a single unit
The receiver provides the following internal storage media and functions for recording measured data:
- 64 Mbyte RAM for recording I/Q data up to 500 kHz bandwidth or audio data up to 12.5 kHz bandwidth
- 4 Gbyte SD card for storing recorded I/Q data, audio data, spectra and measured data
- External SD card reader to read out SD card
- Digital audio data recorded in WAV format, measured values in CSV format; screenshots saved in PNG format to SD card
- Digital data available online at the LAN interface; can be recorded externally (e.g. on a PC hard disk)
- Data buffering not necessary

Efficient operation via remote control
The receiver can be fully remote-controlled via its LAN interface. This allows efficient, remote operation of the receiver, e.g. in unattended monitoring stations. The LAN interface is capable of handling the maximum data transfer rate. The protocol of the LAN interface is compliant with the IEEE 488.2 SCPI standard.

Battery operation for mobile use
- Low weight: 3.5 kg including battery
- Long battery-powered operation: approx. four hours in RX mode, approx. two hours in DF mode
Specifications in brief of the R&S®HF907DC

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**Frequency range extendable up to 18 GHz**

The R&S®HF907DC SHF DF antenna with downconverter extends the receiving frequency range of the portable receiver up to 18 GHz. The user can then take advantage of the rich feature set of the R&S®PR100 up to 18 GHz, for example to detect interference caused by directional radio link communications.
Intuitive, simple operation

The receiver is controlled conveniently via keys and the rotary knob. Clearly structured menus provide quick access to instrument parameters and functions.

Results, as well as the spectrum and waterfall diagrams, can be read at a glance on the bright, well-organized 6.5” VGA color display. The backlighting of the display can be dimmed for use in dark surroundings. For use in sunlight, a special black-and-white display mode is available that optimizes contrast.

The IF panorama display facilitates the detailed analysis of a frequency range of interest. The current receive frequency is positioned at the center of the spectrum display. IF bandwidths between 1 kHz and 10 MHz can be selected to suit the task at hand. The average, min. hold and max. hold functions further expand analysis capabilities.

The user can change how the results are displayed to meet the current requirements. Measured data is available in various formats.
Digital data is output via the LAN interface:
- Complex baseband data (I/Q data) up to 500 kHz bandwidth
- Digital audio data up to 12.5 kHz bandwidth
- Spectra of panorama scan (with maximum update rate)
- Spectra of IF panorama display (with maximum update rate)
- Measured signal levels
- Measured frequency offset values
- Measured field strength values (antenna factors of antenna used must be stored in the receiver)

Analog data is output via the corresponding analog interface:
- Analog audio data via 3.5 mm jack
- 21.4 MHz uncontrolled IF via BNC socket (for receive frequencies from 20 MHz to 7.5 GHz)

The user settings and level indication modes become effective at different points in signal processing. This is explained in greater detail in the Operating principle section, which uses block diagrams to describe the R&S®PR100’s operation.

![Image of Scan Configuration Menu](image1)

Structure of R&S®PR100 configuration menus.

![Image of Measured Level and IF Spectrum](image2)

Display of measured level and IF spectrum.

![Image of IF Spectrum Analysis](image3)

IF spectrum analysis using marker functions.

![Image of IF Spectrum and Spectrogram](image4)

Display of IF spectrum and spectrogram (waterfall display).
Convenient R&S®PR100-Control remote control software

The R&S®PR100-Control remote control software is supplied free of charge with the R&S®PR100. It is part of the R&S®RAMON software family and enables convenient and efficient operation of the receiver from a PC workstation. The software offers a straightforward menu structure and intuitive operation so that training requirements for operating personnel are minimal.

The complete functionality provided by the R&S®PR100 can be controlled using the R&S®PR100-Control software. The graphical user interface enables operation of the receiver with easy-to-read online signal display as well as signal recording and playback. Optional R&S®RAMON software packages are available to significantly expand the range of functions. For example, it is possible to add handover functions to and from additional receivers or direction finders, as well as task, reporting and database functions. R&S®RAMON software components can be used to implement customer-specific radiomonitoring systems – from single, standalone systems to nationwide networked systems.

**Major functional features of R&S®RAMON**

**Fast and simple operation**

The main functions can be accessed using shortcuts.

The graphical display of results includes:
- IF spectrum with waterfall diagram
- RF panorama spectrum with waterfall diagram

The user can adapt the colors of the display and the size and arrangement of the windows as required for a specific task or area of application. Easy-to-use measurement functions are available within the diagrams.

**Display, storage and playback of spectra and waterfall data**

R&S®PR100-Control enables the recording and playback of RF and IF signal spectra. In addition, digital audio data and I/Q baseband data (digital IF) of up to 500 kHz bandwidth can be stored, e.g. for the subsequent analysis of digitally modulated signals.

**Buffering of frequency scan data in a ring buffer**

Recording in the ring buffer can be stopped by a mouse click. The stored signals are then available in playback mode for analysis.

**Frequency list for marking signals**

With a mouse click, radio channels can be marked, saved in a list and graphically placed over the spectrum. The frequency list is available for storage and subsequent analysis.
Display of IF spectrum and use of marker function.

Wideband panorama scan with max. hold function and waterfall diagram.

IF spectrum and waterfall diagram of a radar signal from Munich Airport (Germany).
Operating principle

Frontend
Starting from the antenna socket, the frequency in the signal path is limited to 8 GHz. Signal processing then takes place in three paths for three different frequency ranges.

Signals from 9 kHz to 30 MHz are routed via a preamplifier directly to the A/D converter. Signals from 20 MHz to 3.5 GHz are routed to the IF section through the preselection and a preamplifier, or through an attenuator in the case of high signal levels. Both the preselection and the attenuator effectively protect the IF section against overloading. This is particularly important in this frequency range where the maximum signal sum levels occur. Signals from 3.5 GHz to 8 GHz are routed to the IF section through a preamplifier.

The three-stage IF section processes the signals from 20 MHz to 8 GHz for the subsequent A/D converter. To provide optimum instrument performance, only signals up to 7.5 GHz are processed in the subsequent stages. The uncontrolled 21.4 MHz IF can also be tapped ahead of the A/D converter via a BNC socket on the R&S®PR100 for further external processing.

Digital signal processing
After A/D conversion of the signal, the signal path is split up:

In the first path, the IF spectrum is calculated using a digital downconverter (DDC), a digital bandpass filter and the FFT block. The bandwidth of the bandpass filter can be selected between 1 kHz and 10 MHz. Before the IF spectrum is output on the display or via the LAN interface, results are postprocessed using the average, min. hold or max. hold function as selected by the user.

In the second path, which also includes a DDC and a bandpass filter, the signal is processed for level measurement or demodulation. To process the different signals with optimum signal-to-noise ratio, the receiver contains IF filters with demodulation bandwidths from 150 Hz to 500 kHz, which can be selected independently of the IF bandwidth.

Prior to the level measurement, the absolute value of the level is determined and weighted using the average, max. peak, RMS or sample function, as selected by the user. The measured level is then output on the display or via the LAN interface.

To demodulate analog signals, the complex baseband data passes through the baseband filter, then undergoes automatic gain control (AGC) or manual gain control (MGC) and is finally demodulated in the AM, FM, USB, LSB, ISB, PULSE or CW demodulation stages. After the AGC/MGC stage, the complex baseband data (I/Q data) resulting from the digitized signals is directly output for further processing.
The results obtained are available as digital data and can be output via the LAN interface as required for the particular task. Digital audio data is reconverted to analog signals for output via the loudspeaker.

**High receiver sensitivity, high signal resolution**
The R&S®PR100 features an IF bandwidth of up to 10 MHz. This allows even very short signal pulses to be captured since the receiver displays the wide bandwidth of 10 MHz in a single spectrum around the set center frequency without any scanning being required.

The widest IF bandwidth of 10 MHz yields the widest spectral display; the narrowest IF bandwidth of 1 kHz yields maximum sensitivity.

The IF spectrum is digitally calculated using a Fast Fourier Transform (FFT). The use of FFT computation at the IF offers a major advantage: The receiver sensitivity and signal resolution are clearly superior to those of a conventional analog receiver at the same spectral display width.

**IF spectrum**
FFT calculation of the IF spectrum is performed in a number of steps. These are described below in simplified form for an IF bandwidth of 10 kHz (\(BW_{\text{IF spectrum}} = 10 \text{ kHz}\)), which yields high sensitivity.

Due to the finite edge steepness of the IF filter, the sampling rate \(f_s\) must be larger than the selected IF bandwidth \(BW_{\text{IF spectrum}}\). The quotient of the sampling rate and the IF bandwidth is thus a value > 1 and is a measure of the edge steepness of the IF filter. This relationship is expressed by the following two formulas:

\[
\frac{f_s}{BW_{\text{IF spectrum}}} = \text{const}
\]

or

\[
f_s = BW_{\text{IF spectrum}} \cdot \text{const}
\]

The value of the constant is dependent on the selected IF bandwidth, i.e. it may vary as a function of the IF bandwidth.

For an IF bandwidth of \(BW_{\text{IF spectrum}} = 10 \text{ kHz}\), the constant has a value of 1.28. Therefore, to display a 10 kHz IF spectrum, a sampling rate of \(f_s = 12.8 \text{ kHz}\) is required.
The R&S®PR100 uses an FFT length N of 2048 points to generate the IF spectrum. To calculate these points, the 12.8 kHz sampling band in the above example is divided into 2048 equidistant frequency slices, which are also referred to as bins (see figure “Signal processing for IF spectrum”).

The bandwidth $BW_{\text{bin}}$ of the frequency slices is obtained as follows:

$$BW_{\text{bin}} = \frac{f_{\text{RX}}}{2048} = \frac{12.8 \text{ kHz}}{2048} = 6.25 \text{ Hz}$$

This means that in the above example only the calculated bandwidth of 6.25 Hz for each bin has to be taken into account as the noise bandwidth in the calculation of the displayed noise level (DNL) in accordance with the formula below (the effect of the window function (Blackman window) of the FFT is not considered here for simplicity’s sake):

$$\text{DNL} = -174 \text{ dBm} + \text{NF} + 10 \cdot \log(BW_{\text{bin}}/\text{Hz})$$

The quantity NF represents the overall noise figure of the receiver.

The above example shows that, due to the use of the FFT, the actual resolution bandwidth (RBW) to be taken into account in DNL calculation is clearly smaller (i.e. $BW_{\text{bin}}$) than would be expected for the wide display range of 10 kHz.

Another advantage of the high spectral resolution used in the FFT calculation is that signals located close together (e.g. $f_1$, $f_2$, $f_3$) can be captured and represented in the IF spectrum as discrete signals (see figure “Signal display in IF spectrum”).

If, on an analog receiver, a resolution bandwidth equal to the set IF bandwidth were selected (RBW = $BW_{\text{IF spectrum}}$), a sum signal $f_{\text{sum}}$ would be displayed instead of the three discrete signals $f_1$, $f_2$, and $f_3$. 

Actual sampling bandwidth compared with selected IF bandwidth.

Signal processing for IF spectrum

Signal display in IF spectrum
**Panorama scan**

The receiver’s maximum FFT bandwidth of 10 MHz makes it possible to perform extremely fast scans across a wide frequency range (panorama scan). For this purpose, frequency windows of max. 10 MHz width are linked in succession, so that the complete, predefined scan range is traversed (see figure “Signal processing in panorama scan mode”). As is done for the IF spectrum, an FFT is used to process the broad window with a finer resolution.

The width of the frequency window and the FFT length (number of FFT points) are variable and are selected by the receiver.

In the panorama scan mode, the user can select among 12 resolution bandwidths from 125 Hz to 100 kHz. The resolution bandwidth corresponds to the width of the frequency slices (bin width) mentioned under “IF spectrum” above. Based on the selected bin width and start and stop frequency, the R&S®PR100 automatically determines the required FFT length and the width of the frequency window for each scan step. The receiver selects these internal parameters so that the optimum scan speed is achieved for each resolution bandwidth (see figure “Resolution in panorama scan mode”).

In the panorama scan mode, the resolution bandwidth of 100 kHz yields the maximum scan speed, while the resolution bandwidth of 125 Hz yields maximum sensitivity.

The resolution bandwidth (bin width) for the panorama scan (selectable between 125 Hz and 100 kHz) therefore corresponds to the resolution bandwidth (BW_{bin}) used in the DNL calculation for the IF spectrum (see DNL formula under “IF spectrum” above), and can be used for calculating the DNL for the panorama scan. Moreover, the user selects the resolution bandwidth to obtain the desired frequency resolution (see figure “Bin width and channel spacing”).

The above explanations show that the use of digital signal processing in a monitoring receiver offers decisive advantages. Extremely high sensitivity (due to very fine resolution) combined with a broad spectral overview and high scan speed significantly increases the probability of intercept in comparison with an analog receiver.

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**Signal processing in panorama scan mode**

Basic sequence of steps in fast panorama scan mode.

**Resolution in panorama scan mode**

Selecting the panorama scan resolution by varying the bin width.

**Bin width and channel spacing**

Selecting a 12.5 kHz bin width to capture a radio service using 12.5 kHz channel spacing.
R&S® HE300 active directional antenna

The antenna has four plug-in modules that cover an extremely wide frequency range from 9 kHz to 7.5 GHz. Three of these modules, which cover the range from 20 MHz to 7.5 GHz, are supplied with the antenna. The optional R&S® HE300HF antenna module covers the lower frequency range from 9 kHz to 20 MHz.

**Portable monitoring and measuring system**

The R&S® HE300 active directional antenna and the R&S® PR100 portable receiver together form a powerful receiving system for locating transmitters. The portable and lightweight instrument combination can perform measurements in buildings or in rough terrain that even four-wheel-drive vehicles cannot access. The cost-effective monitoring system, featuring position finding and level measurement, offers another decisive advantage: It can be transported and deployed relatively inconspicuously.

For long-term monitoring at fixed locations, the antenna can be mounted on a tripod. The connecting thread on the grip piece matches the mounting bolts of conventional camera tripods.

A built-in, switchable low-noise amplifier further enhances system sensitivity at low signal field strength, increasing the probability of intercept (active mode). In the passive mode, the amplifier is bypassed, so that the antenna can also be used in the vicinity of strong signal sources.

**Ergonomic design for practical use**

The design of the grip piece and the control elements underwent extensive ergonomic testing by experienced designers. The antenna modules are exchangeable; the required module is plugged into the grip piece in accordance with the desired polarization, and mechanically locked. All R&S® HE300 components plus the optional R&S® HE300HF antenna module and the R&S® PR100 receiver are accommodated in a rugged hard-shell transit case, which is supplied with the antenna and offers appropriate protection even under the harshest transport conditions.

**Specifications in brief of the R&S® HE300**

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<td>Antenna module 1 20 MHz to 200 MHz</td>
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<td>Antenna module 3 500 MHz to 7.5 GHz</td>
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<td>HF antenna module (optional) 9 kHz to 20 MHz</td>
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Polarization: linear

VSWR: typ. < 2.5

RF output: N connector

Power supply: rechargeable cells or batteries

Overall weight: approx. 6 kg (including transit case)

Operating weight: < 1 kg (grip piece with one module)
## Specifications in brief

### RF data

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<td>30 MHz lowpass filter</td>
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<td>1 kHz to 10 MHz, 1/2/5/10/20/50/100/200/500 kHz, 1/2/5/10 MHz</td>
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<td>Display modes</td>
<td>normal (clear/write), average, max. hold, min. hold</td>
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<td>IF demodulation bandwidths</td>
<td>15 filters (specified values indicate 3 dB bandwidth)</td>
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<td>150/300/600 Hz, 1.5/2.4/3/4/5/6/7/8/9/10/12/15/20/25/30/40/50 kHz</td>
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<td>Demodulation modes</td>
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<td>Frequency scan (FScan)</td>
<td>start and stop frequency, step width user-selectable</td>
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<td>scan speed</td>
<td>up to 200 channels/s</td>
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<td>Memory scan (MScan)</td>
<td>memory locations 1024, user-programmable</td>
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<td>scan speed</td>
<td>up to 150 channels/s</td>
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<td>Panorama scan (PScan)</td>
<td>start and stop frequency user-selectable</td>
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<td>resolution bandwidths (bin widths)</td>
<td>125/250/500/625 Hz, 1.25/2.5/3.125/6.25/12.5/25/50/100 kHz</td>
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<td>scan speed</td>
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### DF mode

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<td>DF method</td>
<td>Watson-Watt</td>
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<td>Display resolution</td>
<td>selectable 0.1° or 1°</td>
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<td>R&amp;S®PR100</td>
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<td>Portable Receiver</td>
<td>IF spectrum (max. 10 MHz), spectrogram (waterfall display), 6-cell lithium-ion battery, plug-in power supply, SD card for storing user settings, shoulder strap</td>
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<td>R&amp;S®PR100-DCV</td>
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<td>Internal Recording R&amp;S®PR100-IR</td>
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<td>recording of measured data in the receiver (64 Mbyte RAM) or on SD card, recording of audio data in WAV format (replay using Windows Media Player, for example), recording of I/O data, spectra and spectrogram (waterfall) data, R&amp;S®PR100-Control software for viewing measured data on customer PC</td>
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<td>Remote Control</td>
<td>Remote Control R&amp;S®PR100-RC</td>
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<td>remote control of receiver via LAN interface (SCPI protocol); transfer of measured data via LAN interface; transfer of demodulated I/O data (up to 500 kHz bandwidth) via LAN interface; R&amp;S®PR100-Control software (for remote control, data recording and data playback via PC)</td>
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<td>Externally Triggered Measurements</td>
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<td>an external sensor (not supplied with the receiver) triggers a measurement in the R&amp;S®PR100; the sensor is connected via the AUX interface</td>
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<td>Field Strength Measurement</td>
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<td>the field strength is calculated using antenna factors stored in the receiver; the receiver displays the field strength directly in dBµV/m</td>
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<td>SHF Frequency Processing for downconverter antennas</td>
<td>SHF Frequency Processing for downconverter antennas R&amp;S®PR100-FP</td>
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<td>the downconverter unit of the R&amp;S®HF907DC antenna is connected to the receiver via a control cable; the receiver recalculates the downconverted signals to display them with their original frequencies up to 18 GHz and with the sidebands in their original positions, thus relieving the user from having to convert signals subsequently (antenna and downconverter not supplied with the R&amp;S®PR100-FP option)</td>
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<td>adds accurate direction finding functionality to the R&amp;S®PR100 receiver (DF antennas and cable set not included)</td>
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<td>6-cell lithium-ion battery, charging cradle, plug-in power supply</td>
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<td>Suitcase Kit</td>
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<td>HF Option for R&amp;S®HE300</td>
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**SHF antenna and accessories**

| SHF Directional Antenna with Downconverter | R&S®HF907DC                                                                                                                                  | 4070.8006.02 |
| Cable Set                                | R&S®HF907DC-K1                                                                                                                            | 4070.8958.02 |
| Tripod Adapter                           | R&S®HF907DC-Z1                                                                                                                             | 4079.3113.02 |
| Carrying Case                            | R&S®HF907DC-Z2                                                                                                                             | 4079.3207.02 |

**DF antennas and accessories**

| Compact VHF/UHF DF Antenna               | R&S®ADD107                                                                                                                                  | 4090.7005.02 |
| Compact UHF/SHF DF Antenna               | R&S®ADD207                                                                                                                                  | 4096.0002.02 |
| Vehicle Adapter with Magnet Mount        | R&S®ADD17XZ3                                                                                                                                | 4090.8801.02 |
| Wooden Tripod                            | R&S®ADD17XZ6                                                                                                                                  | 4090.8860.02 |
| Cable Set with Converter                 | R&S®ADD17XZ5                                                                                                                                  | 4090.8660.02 |

**Service options**

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R&S®PR100-BP battery pack, consisting of 6-cell lithium-ion battery, charging cradle and plug-in power supply.

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R&S®HA-Z202 vehicle adapter.

R&S®HA-Z222 carrying holster incl. chest strap and rainproof cover.

R&S®HA-Z220 soft carrying bag.
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