R&S® RCMS II
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For ATC and air defense applications
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At a glance

R&S®RCMS II is a software solution for monitoring the complete communications chain from the controller working position to the radio and for remote control of Rohde & Schwarz radios.

R&S®RCMS II enables operators of air traffic control (ATC) systems and air defense (AD) systems to monitor Rohde & Schwarz radios, R&S®VCS-4G devices and other SNMP-capable components from one or more locations. Remote control of Rohde & Schwarz radios is also supported. This allows a cost-effective quick response to error conditions and provides the ability to set operational parameters for various ATC/AD scenarios.

R&S®RCMS II is designed for monitoring scenarios ranging from individual airports to countrywide radiocommunications systems. The monitored and controlled devices are shown in both a tree view and a map view. The map view shows the location and basic configuration of each device. Individual devices can be selected and managed quickly and easily. The system data is recorded for customer-specific statistical analysis using third-party applications.

The R&S®RCMS II software can easily be configured for customer-specific ATC/AD systems. By using off-the-shelf computer hardware and existing network infrastructure, the required capital expenditures and operational costs can be kept to a minimum. With R&S®RCMS II, it is quick and easy to integrate completely new sites or add to-be-monitored devices to expand an existing site.

Key facts

- Monitoring of the complete communications chain from controller working position to the radio
- No additional hardware required for monitoring and controlling radios at the individual sites
- Support for Rohde & Schwarz radios with EPM (ECCM) capabilities for military applications
- Redundant system for continuous monitoring and control
- Overall status report sent to higher-level monitoring system via SNMP
- Complete situational overview of the radio sites through monitoring of SNMP-capable devices

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Benefits and key features

Optimum operational efficiency
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Remote monitoring of radios and R&S®VCS-4G devices

R&S®RCMS II enables comprehensive monitoring of Rohde & Schwarz radios and R&S®VCS-4G voice communications system, including all relevant operational parameters of the individual devices. The easy-to-use graphical user interface provides an overview of the entire communications system as well as information regarding the status of each individual device.

Information about each device is displayed on the screen with specific colors to indicate the status of the link and the device itself. The user-friendly interface makes it easy to navigate between a countrywide overview of the system and detailed information about each individual device, including its parameters and status. In this way, details can quickly be determined regarding the status of individual modules, error messages and current settings.

Remote control of radios

Using R&S®RCMS II, radio parameters can easily be set and/or changed in order to adapt the radio system to current operational needs. This can be accomplished from one or more locations. In addition to monitoring, the radios can also be managed without any interruption of the monitoring activities in progress.

Standard RCMS configuration for the R&S®Series4200.
Wide range of analysis features

Recording and analysis of system events
The R&S®RCMS II remote control & monitoring system stores all system events for the devices being monitored in a database. In addition to error messages and warnings, information such as user login or logout is also stored. This information is displayed in tabular form and can be filtered according to various criteria such as time frame, message type, message code or device name. As a result, the history of an individual device or the entire system can be tracked at any time.

Data stored for customer-specific statistical analysis
R&S®RCMS II stores the incoming status messages from the devices being monitored in a database and can export them for external analysis. The customer can use this data for carrying out further analysis such as determining the frequency of errors.
High level of scalability
R&S®RCMS II is based on a client/server architecture. The system can be sized to support a single airport, a region or an entire country in accordance with the customer's requirements.

The client/server architecture permits the operation of systems distributed across various locations. An example of this would be an R&S®RCMS II server at a central location, workstations at regional centers and radios at remote sites.

Expandability of existing R&S®RCMS II systems
R&S®RCMS II can easily be adapted when civil and military air traffic control operators need to expand their communications systems. Radios at a new site can be added to an existing R&S®RCMS II system cost-effectively. R&S®Series4200, R&S®M3SR Series4400, R&S®M3SR Series4100 radios and R&S®VCS-4G devices can be connected directly to existing IP infrastructure without requiring additional hardware.

Various applications using the R&S®RCMS II architecture
State-of-the-art technology with off-the-shelf hardware

Windows platform
R&S®RCMS II uses off-the-shelf computer hardware running Windows 7 Professional.

IP technology
R&S®RCMS II uses IP technology. Communications between R&S®RCMS II workstations, servers and monitored devices are handled via IPv4. IPv6 is also fully supported by R&S®RCMS II. The existing LAN/WAN infrastructure can be used if it meets the requirements of R&S®RCMS II.

Time synchronization via network time protocol (NTP)
The system time on the R&S®RCMS II server can be synchronized with the central time provisioning system by means of NTP. In this way, events in the R&S®RCMS II database will have a precise timestamp and can be compared with other events in the communications system much more conveniently.

Connecting the radio sites using IP technology
Secure and reliable operation

Flexible user management
The user management features facilitate the assigning of access rights. Authorizations for monitoring and/or controlling the radios/devices can be assigned with various user levels. System administrators can revise existing authorizations and create new users and user groups. The system administrator can also load customer-specific alarm/warning sounds via the R&S®RCMS II system. Each user can then define individually the duration of the sound in case of an alarm or warning.

High availability
Voice and data transmission remains unaffected in the event that the R&S®RCMS II system is not available. It is possible to increase system availability for monitoring and controlling R&S®Series4200, R&S®M3SR Series4400 and R&S®M3SR Series4100 radios and for monitoring of R&S®VCS-4G devices by expanding R&S®RCMS II to include a secondary server. The secondary server can be used for monitoring and control activities in case the primary server fails.

Standard RCMS configuration for the R&S®VCS-4G controller working position (CWP) processing unit.
Interoperation with other components in the ATC/AD system

Integration of SNMP-capable devices
SNMP-capable devices from other manufacturers can be monitored with R&S®RCMS II as long as the device has a suitable SNMP MIB. Furthermore, off-the-shelf SNMP-capable sensors can also be integrated and monitored. Using a single monitoring system saves both time and money.

Status information for higher-level monitoring center
The role of a central monitoring center is to collect and display an overview of the status information for all applications and active devices within an ATC/AD system. R&S®RCMS II supports this by sending a status summary for the communications system to the central monitoring center via SNMP. The details and the status of the individual devices are available in the R&S®RCMS II system.
Single server solution for small and mid-sized radio systems

The R&S®RCMS II single server solution operates on a single desktop or laptop on which the server applications and the graphical user interface are installed. In this way, a small radio system for a single airport can be implemented cost-effectively using just one off-the-shelf desktop or laptop.

Moreover, additional R&S®RCMS II workstations can be connected to the R&S®RCMS II server via IP to enable the simultaneous monitoring and operation of the radios by several users, even from multiple locations.

MultiServer solution for large-scale communications systems with central monitoring center

Large-scale countrywide ATC and air defense operators often establish regional structures for their communications systems in the form of regional management centers. A regional center is responsible for a specific region and operates autonomously with its own R&S®RCMS II server and multiple workstations. Additionally, the overall status of the devices in the regions can be monitored from a central location. In this case, the monitoring activities are handled by an additional R&S®RCMS II server with MultiServer option in the central maintenance center, retrieving summarized device status information from each regional R&S®RCMS II server.
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Supported radios

R&S®RCMS II supports R&S®Series4200\(^1\), R&S®M3SR Series4400, R&S®M3SR Series4100, R&S®Series2000\(^2\) and R&S®Series200\(^3\) radios. R&S®Series400U\(^2\) radios can be integrated into the R&S®RCMS II system upon request.

The R&S®RCMS II data sheet contains a list of all parameters that can be monitored and controlled for each of the Rohde & Schwarz radio types supported.

\(^1\) Including n+m redundancy via R&S®GV4000 model .31, .32 or .33.

\(^2\) For radios that do not support monitoring and control via IP, the radio site must provide a converter from Ethernet to the radio interface. Radios with an RS-232 interface can only be monitored and controlled from a single system.

\(^3\) The following types of R&S®Series200 radios are supported via R&S®GV4000 model .03: R&S®EU231, R&S®SU251, R&S®XU251, R&S®XU221*, R&S®XD231, R&S®EU230, R&S®SU250, R&S®XU250A, R&S®XU251 MS, R&S®EU230 MS, R&S®SU250 MS*, R&S®EU231 MS, R&S®SU251 MS and R&S®XU221 MS*. For radio types marked with "*" additional release tests have to be planned on a customer-specific project basis.
The hardware requirements for the R&S®RCMS II server and workstations depend on the number of devices to be monitored and/or controlled by each server. The following example illustrates the hardware configuration for one R&S®RCMS II server and workstation for monitoring and controlling a mid-sized communications system.

**Server**
- Intel Core 2 Quad core 2.4 GHz processor, 3 Gbyte RAM, > 100 Gbyte HDD, CD-ROM, mouse with scroll wheel, keyboard, USB interface, 100 Mbit/s Ethernet interface, 19” monitor
- Operating system: Windows 7 Professional (64 bit), English or German

**Workstation**
- Intel Core 2 Dual core 3.0 GHz processor, 3 Gbyte RAM, 20 Gbyte HDD, CD-ROM, mouse with scroll wheel, keyboard, 100 Mbit/s Ethernet interface, 19” monitor
- Operating system: Windows 7 Professional (64 bit), English or German

The hardware will be scaled according to the size of the communications system to be monitored.
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Application scenarios

Scenario 1: Failure of a radio at an airport
One of the radios at an airport with separate transmitter and receiver locations has exhibited a fault. The corresponding standby radio was activated automatically and is now in operation. R&S®RCMS II registers the event and displays it on the R&S®RCMS II workstation in the management center. By selecting the radio with the fault, more detailed information about the fault is shown, such as temperature, voltage and VSWR. Upon command, R&S®RCMS II instructs the radios to carry out a built-in test, which will then provide additional information about the fault condition. This information is forwarded to the maintenance center where the appropriate repair measures are initiated.

Scenario 2: Countrywide ATC system with multilevel monitoring
R&S®VCS-4G devices and radios at various locations around the country are monitored by regional ATC centers throughout the day. At night, when traffic volumes are low, communications activities are monitored from a central location. R&S®RCMS II monitors all the R&S®VCS-4G devices and radios at night from this central location as well.

Scenario 3: Changing radio parameters for an air defense application
A military operation requires changing the frequencies and modes of operations used for each mission. For a new mission, a predefined mission parameter set is selected. Upon command, R&S®RCMS II in the control center activates the mission parameter set (preset page) in the ground radios at the remote sites.

R&S®M3SR Series4400 in operation in an R&S®MX400 mobile tower.
Software options

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¹) The R&S® RCMS II data sheet contains a list of all parameters that can be monitored and controlled for every supported Rohde & Schwarz radio.

The radio systems described are hardware- and software-configurable. The system delivered has the configuration as confirmed in the order.
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Sustainable product design
- Environmental compatibility and eco-footprint
- Energy efficiency and low emissions
- Longevity and optimized total cost of ownership

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