

# **EU LRIT Data Centre Project Challenges**

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## Development of the EU LRIT DC/ASP

- January 2008 - Implementation Plan
- April 2008 - LRIT tender publication
- 6/11/2008 - contracts signed
- 12-14/11/08 - Kick-off meetings
- 16-20/03/09 - EU DC/ASP FAT
- 14-16/04/09 - I&B FAT
- 10-30/04/09 - IMO developmental testing
- 04-25/05/09 - IMO production testing
- 01/06/2009 - EU LRIT DC on-line in production environment



## Main Challenges so far

- Time pressure to ensure system up and running by IMO July 2009 deadline
- LRIT system new for all SOLAS Contracting Governments
- Ever changing technical and performance standards
- Problems with ship integration
- Accurate monitoring of the EU DC usage and data quality
- Time-consuming assistance to MSS in answering LRIT tickets
- Users training and MSSO monitoring training
- Concluding and implementation of financial arrangements with other DCs and own users

## EU DC future challenges

- Continued improvement of system performances
- Increased usability of the Web Interface, fixing of minor (but annoying) bugs
- Advanced Monitoring tools
- Implementing proper financial procedures/invoicing
- Developing statistics and reports
- Continue signing agreements with other DC's
- Plan for adherence of new countries to EU DC
- Plan for the EU DC Transfer to EMSA and overtaking operational responsibility
- Plan for integration of SSN/LRIT/CSN