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MENTORE roadmap for GNSS services – a step closer

MENTORE event delivers key ideas on tracking & tracing regulated applications of Galileo and EGNOS

The MENTORE event, which was held in Brussels on 25 November and supported by the European GNSS Supervisory Authority (GSA), offered an update on the key developments of the project and provided a unique opportunity to debate on EGNOS/Galileo contribution to tracking & tracing regulated markets.

The event was opened by a panel of high-level speakers (European Parliament, GSA, European Commission, JRC), who provided an institutional overview on the developments of the Galileo system as well as the enhanced GPS performances shortly available through EGNOS. The MENTORE partners then proceeded to present the project and the first outcomes of the 5 real-life demonstrations conducted. During the event the MENTORE movie was shown for the first time. The movie includes images of the demonstrations, and intends to inform and disseminate to specialist and general public the results of the MENTORE project.

In the afternoon, the floor was left to the Focus Group, composed of end-users and experts, to debate with the audience over a wide variety of issues which included standardisation, privacy, liability, the cost of innovation and regulatory needs. Ideas surfaced during the debate will be used to draw inspiration for the **roadmap** which the MENTORE partners will elaborate in 2009. This document will identify barriers and enablers to the deployment of promising EGNOS/Galileo applications, elaborate recommendations and propose a future action plan.

Interested parties are kindly invited to contribute by completing the **MENTORE questionnaire** which is available on the project's website (www.gnsstracking.eu), as well as the MENTORE movie and all the presentations.

Coordinated by Telespazio and with the ERF – IRF BPC among the participants, MENTORE (iMplemENtation of GNSS tracking & tracing Technologies **OR** Eu regulated domains) is a project devoted to introducing EGNOS/Galileo in regulated "Tracking & Tracing" users' domains. Further information on www.gnsstracking.eu



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