

# SP405 – Application of Space-based ADS-B to Air Traffic Management & ATFM

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A Strategic Partnership with AIREON  
Space-based ADS-B

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# Delivery of ATC quality ADS-B to ATM systems from space based ADS-B receivers

- Surveillance – everywhere!
- Reliability : Fully redundant and fault tolerant design
- Low latency & short update interval
- System design to ensure cyber security hardness
- Will be certified by EASA
- Independent of terrestrial constraints – weather outages, power, malicious acts and natural disasters

**Designed as an  
ATC surveillance  
system**



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# Surveillance as a Service v. conventional ownership

## *Service model*

### **System installation**

Flexible deployment

### **System support**

Support off site by AIREON

### **Payment structure**

Limited up front capital

### **Total cost of ownership**

Low initial cost, known ongoing cost

### **Technology longevity**

Rapid technology evolution

### **Cyber security**

Cyber security hardness

## *Ownership model*

Time consuming

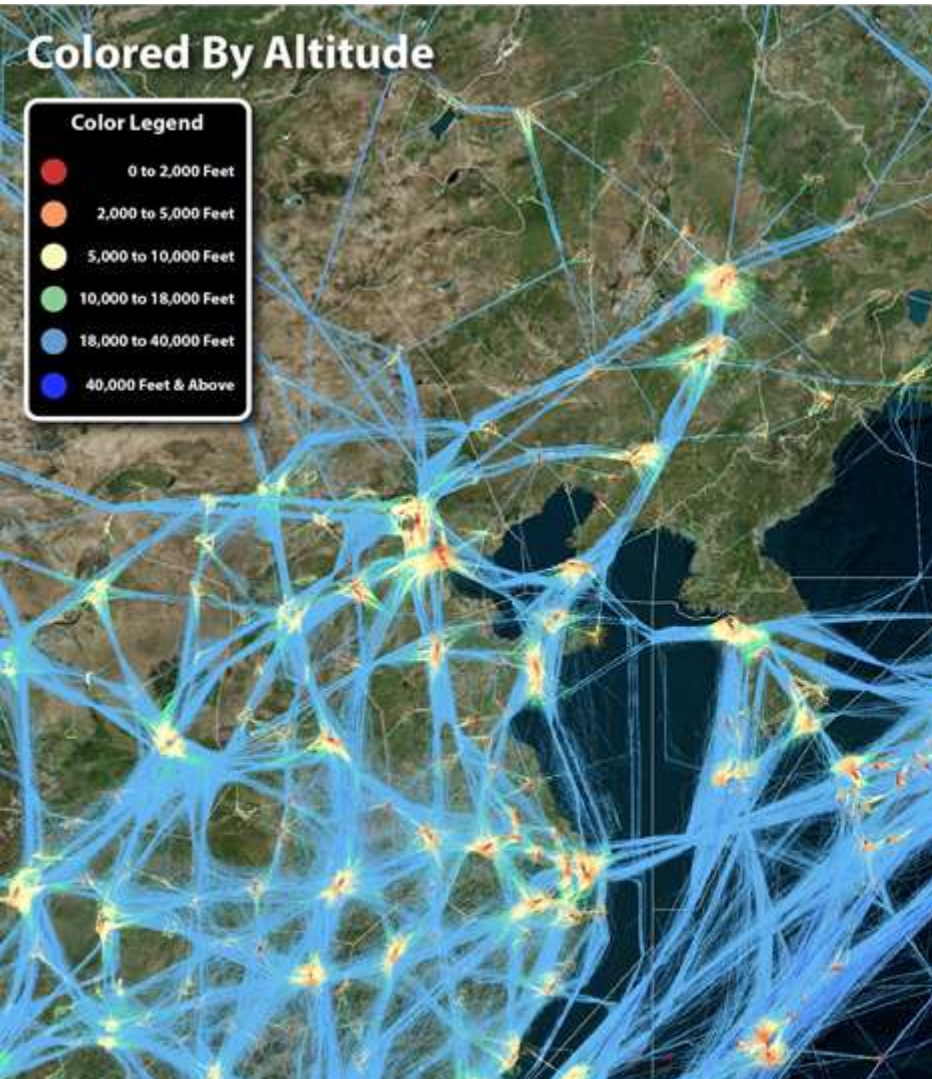
Manually intensive maintenance

High up front capital costs

High initial costs & uncertain maintenance cost

Shorter time to technology obsolescence

Multiple vulnerabilities

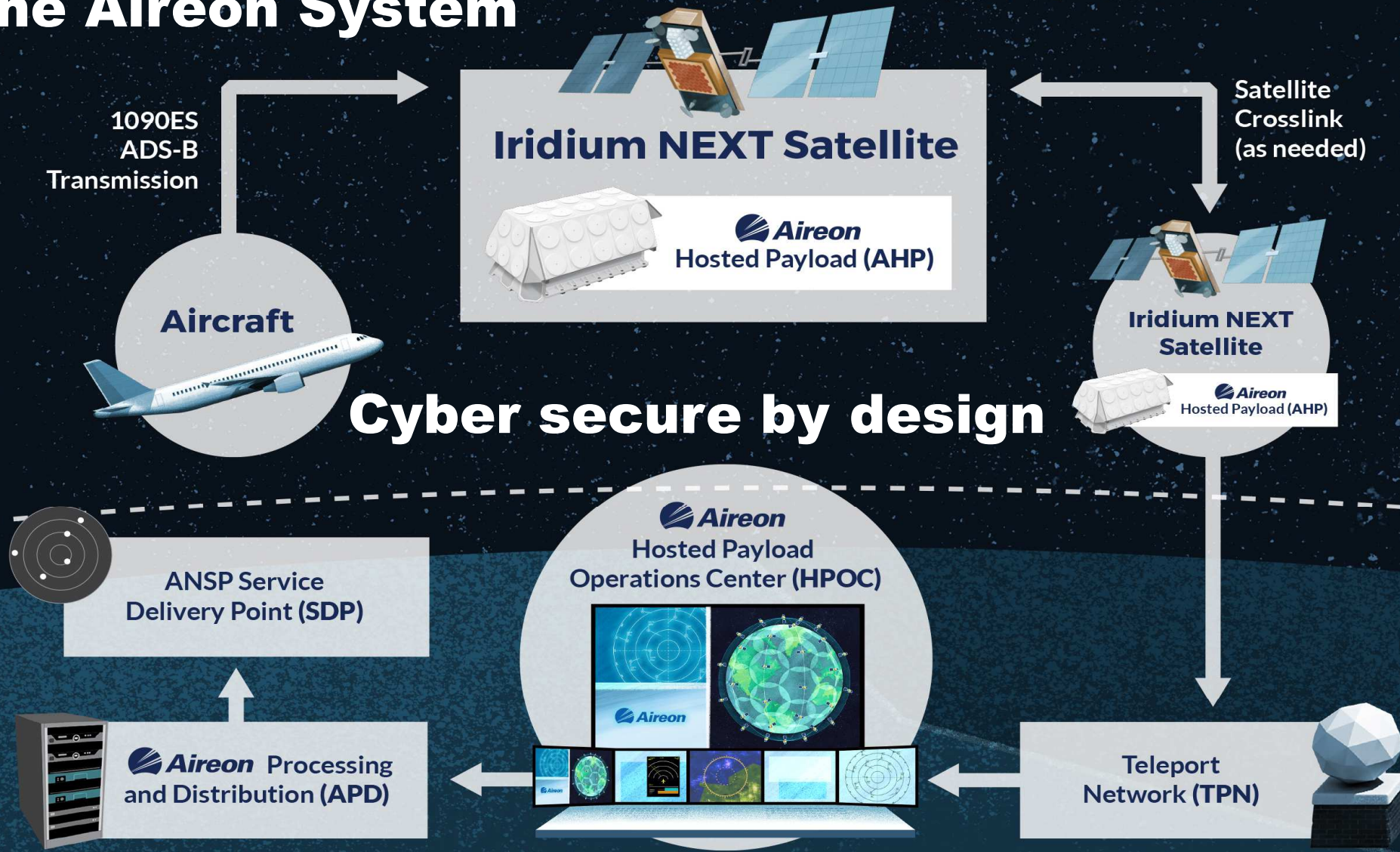


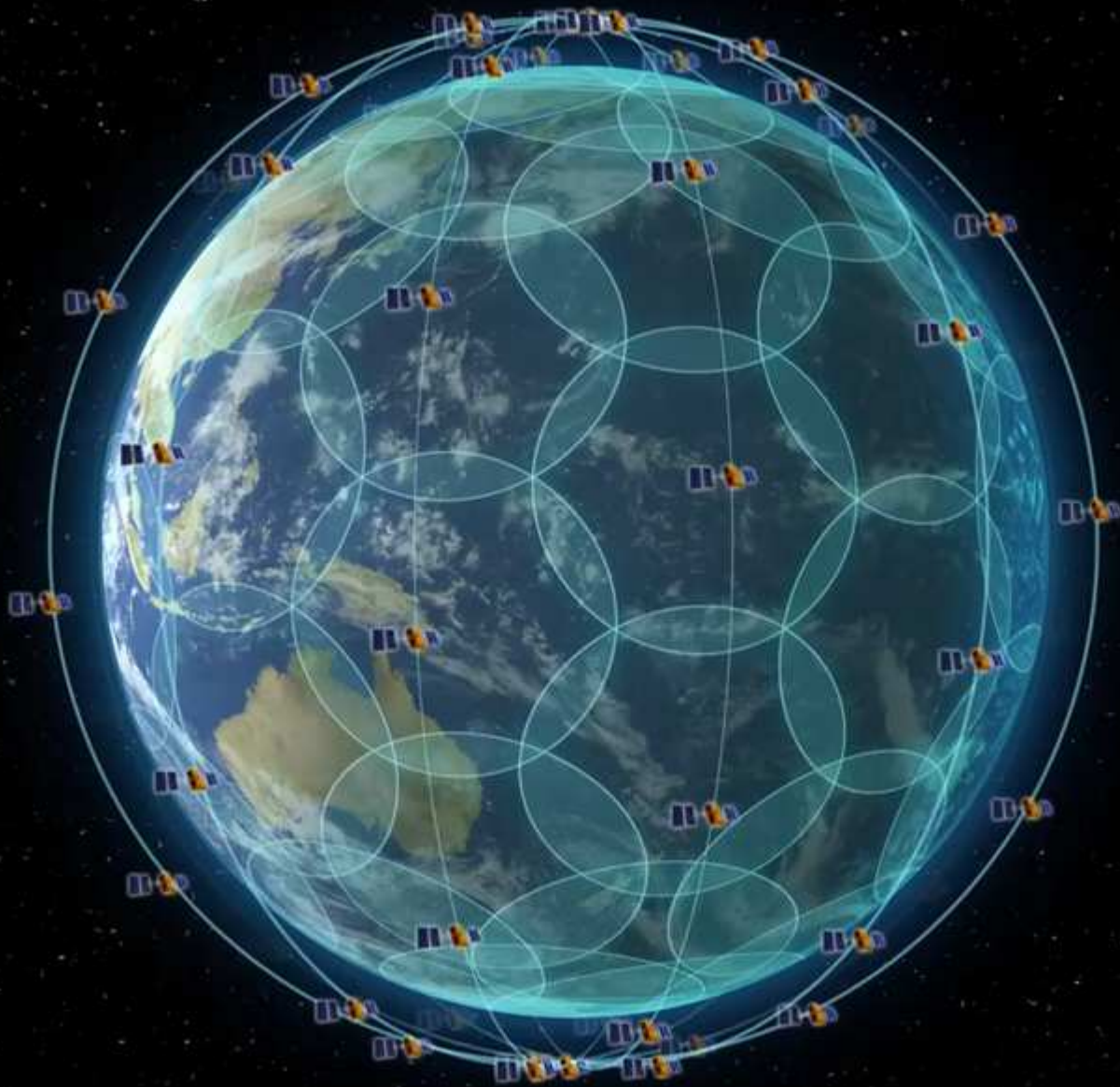
Space based ADS-B detects 1090ES ADS-B data from all ADS-B equipped airliners in the world and

delivers the data to ATC, with appropriate performance and reliability, without ADS-B ground stations

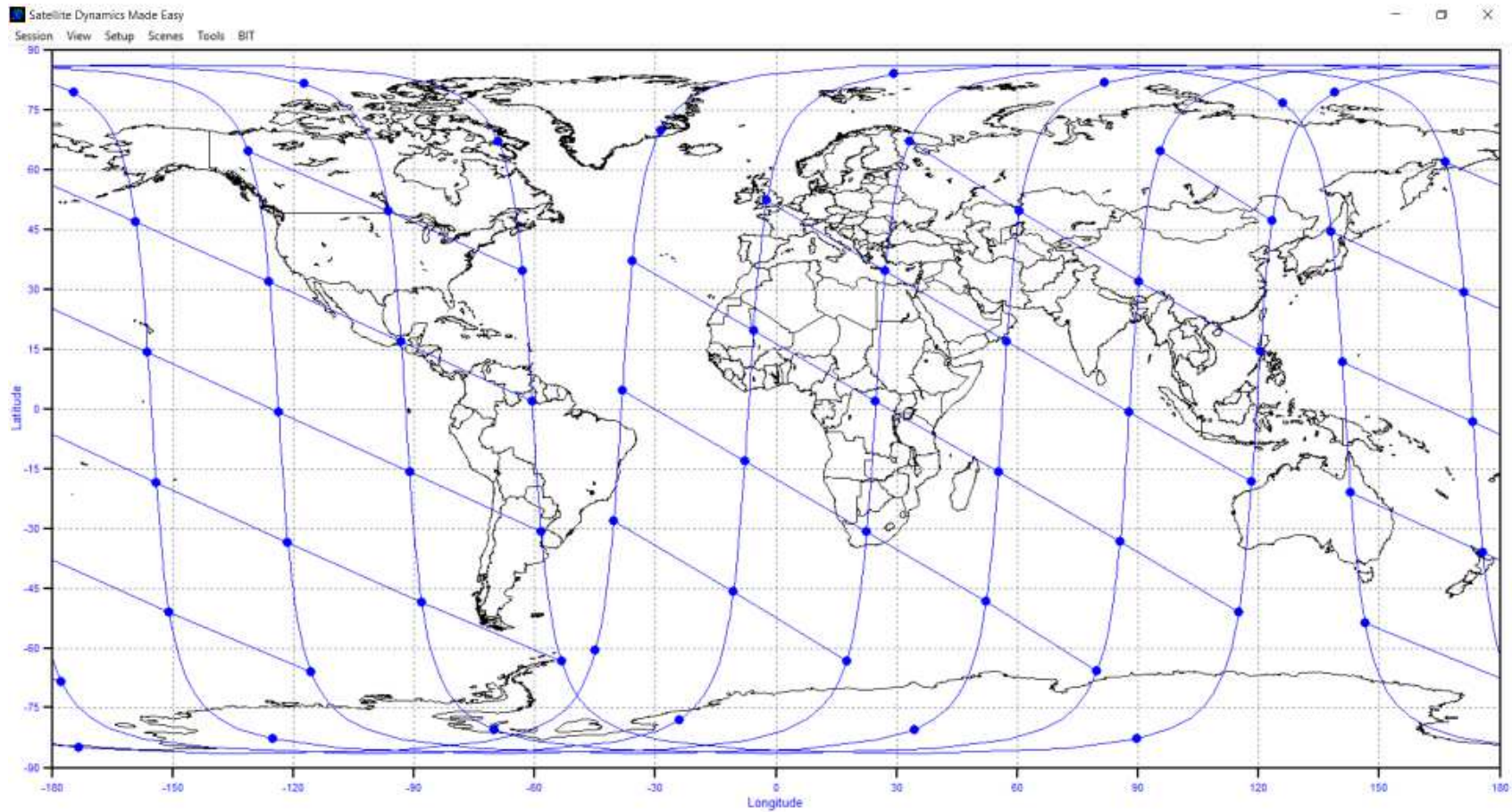
**Aireon Space-Based ADS-B**  
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# The Aireon System





# Iridium NEXT Crosslinks – The Mesh Network

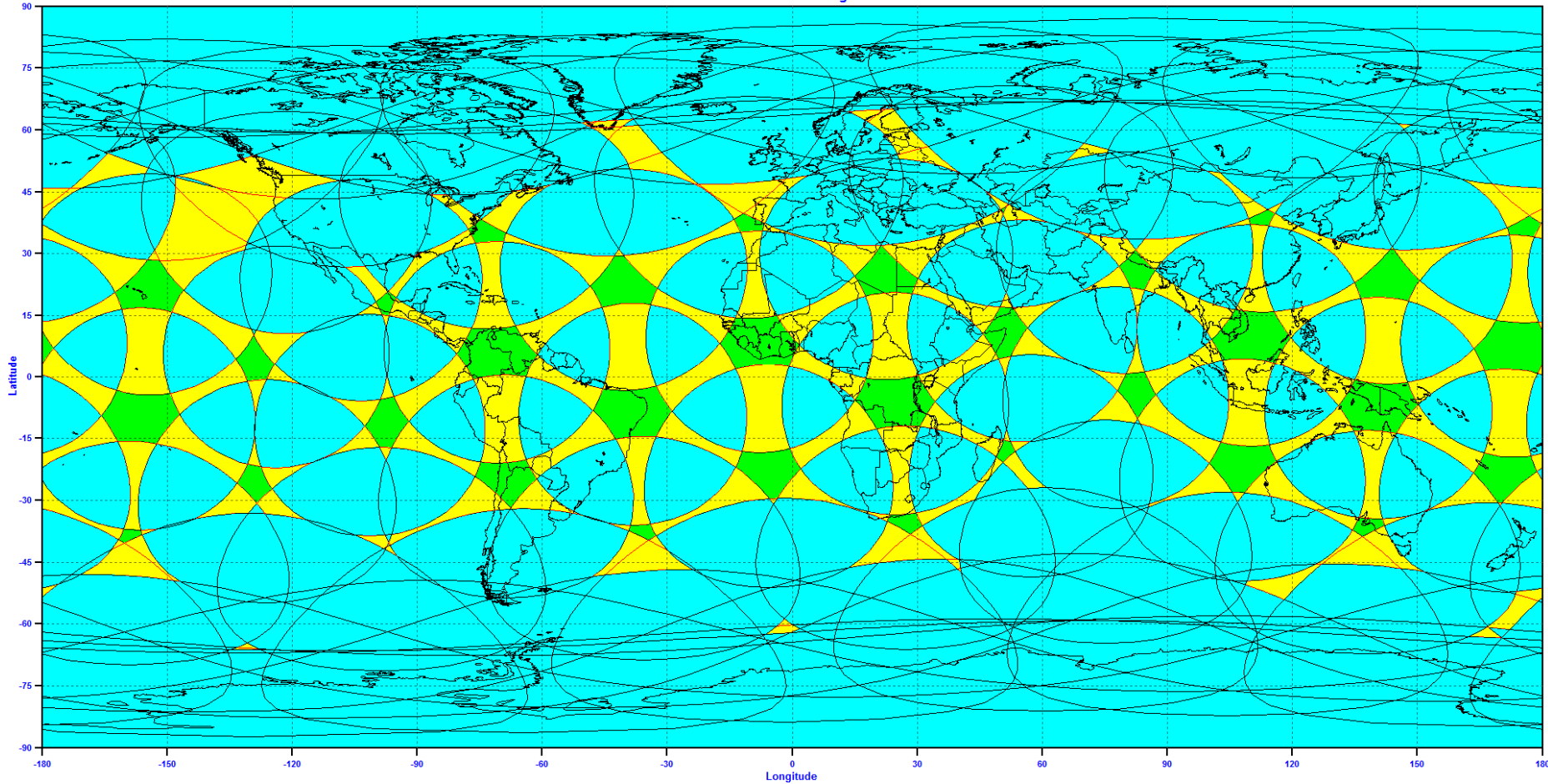


# Final Satellite footprint



Satellite Dynamics Made Easy  
Session View Setup Scenes Tools BIT

Enhanced Coverage



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# Certification as ATS Surveillance provider



- AIREON System (Technology and Organization) will achieve Certification from European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) as an ATS surveillance provider
- For non European Regulators this Certification gives confidence
- Local ANSP still needs to complete implementation Safety Case for their Regulator

# Interface to ATM Automation



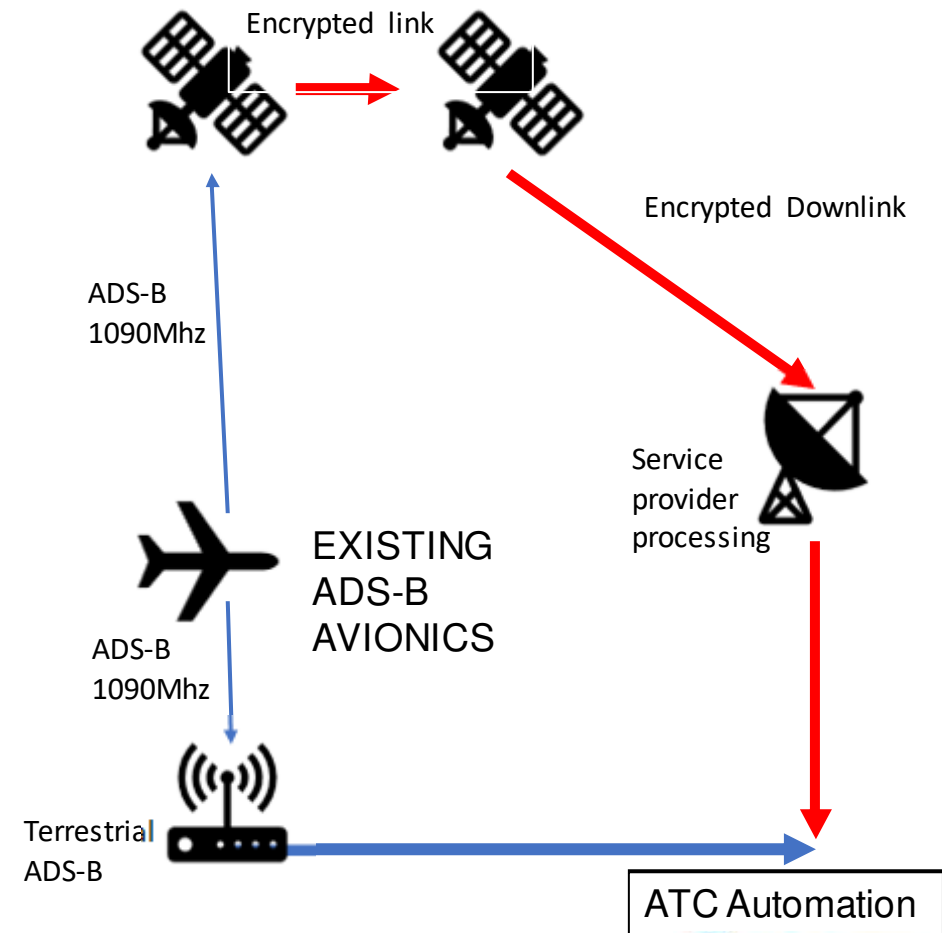
# Integration of Space based ADS-B into ATM

## Space-based ADS-B is just ADS-B

- Some States have already deployed ADS-B
  - ADS-B into ATC automation
  - ATC procedures
  - Operational use
  - Regulation is important too
- If so, they have already done the difficult things
  - Space based ADS-B is an easy addition to ATC
- Its like a “super capable” – extra ADS-B ground station
  - That covers the whole world (or your part of it)

[ATC Automation Requirements and Space-based ADS-B Paper](https://www.icao.int/APAC/Meetings/2018%20SURICG3/WP12_ICCAIA%20AI.3%20-%20Space%20based%20ADS-B%20and%20ATC%20automation%20-%20GD%20final%20review.pdf)

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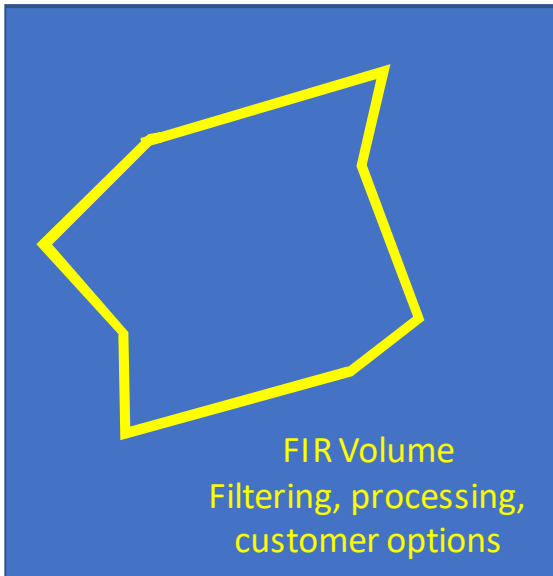
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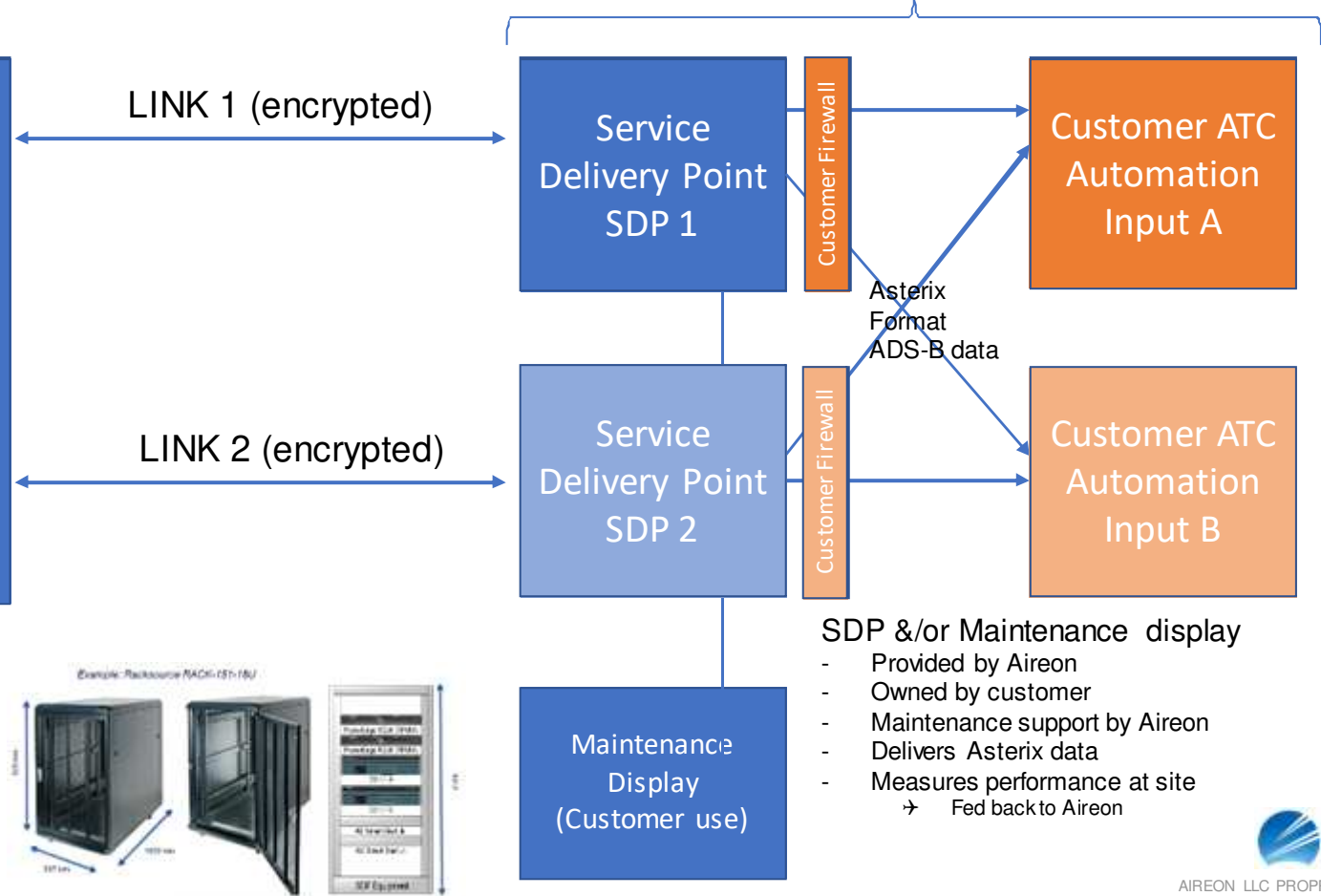
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# Aireon Space-based ADS-B SERVICE is delivered from a Service Delivery Point (SDP)

## Aireon Site/ Systems



## Typical Customer Site



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# ATC Use



# ATC Use of Space based ADS-B

- **Provide Surveillance where there is none**
  - Ocean & Mountainous regions
  - Remote towers and airports
- **Complement existing surveillance**
  - Improve update rate
  - Improve reliability of service
  - Adjacent FIR contingency/ FIR boundary safety
- **Avoid cost of terrestrial surveillance**
  - Instead of new terrestrial ground stations or radar
  - Replace aged terrestrial ground stations or radar
- **Surveillance backup - unaffected by natural disasters**
  - Low cost country wide surveillance
  - Software & hardware independent of ground surveillance
  - Always active, Easy to integrate



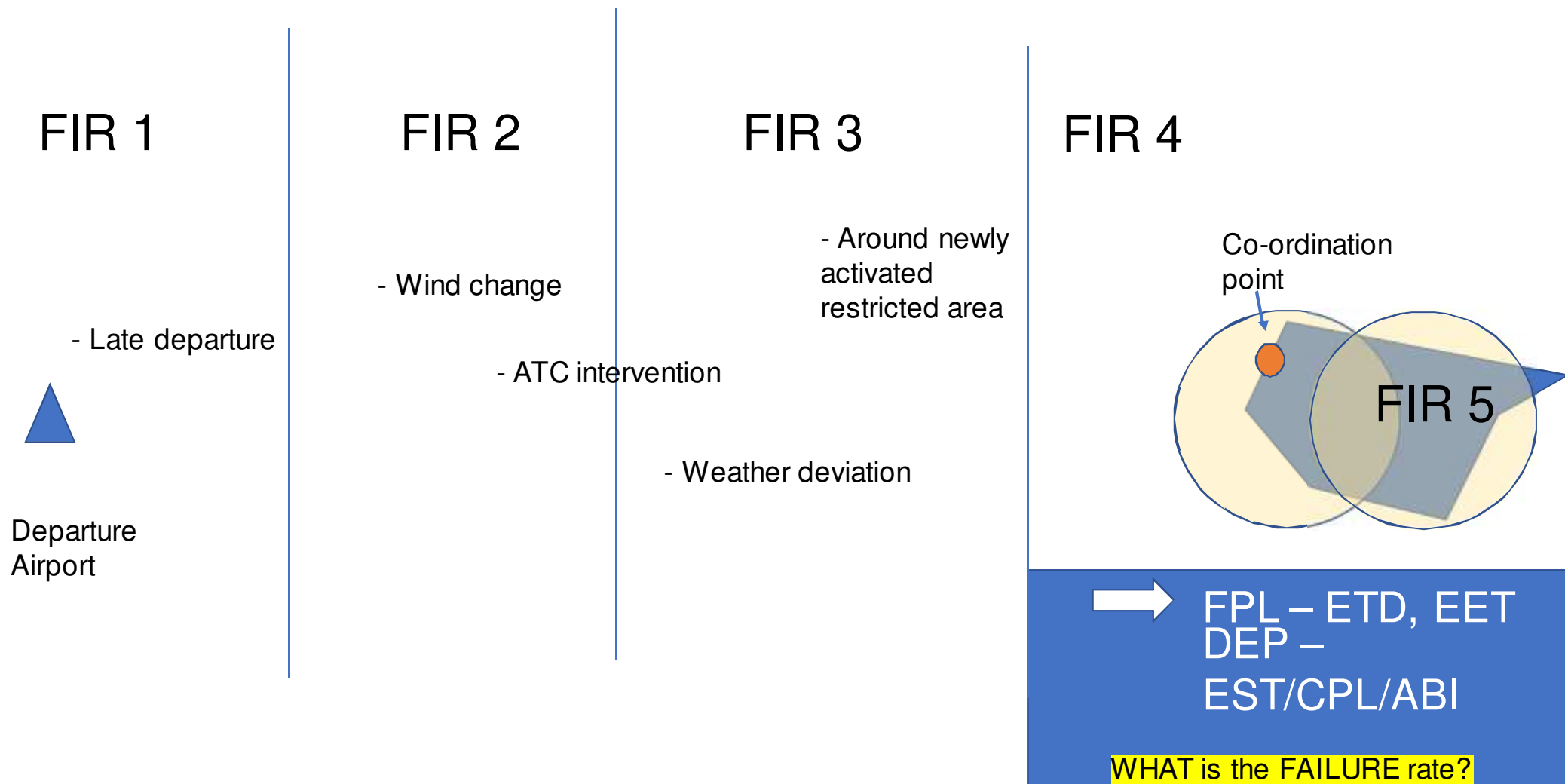
# ATFM



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# How do you currently predict arrival time at FIR?

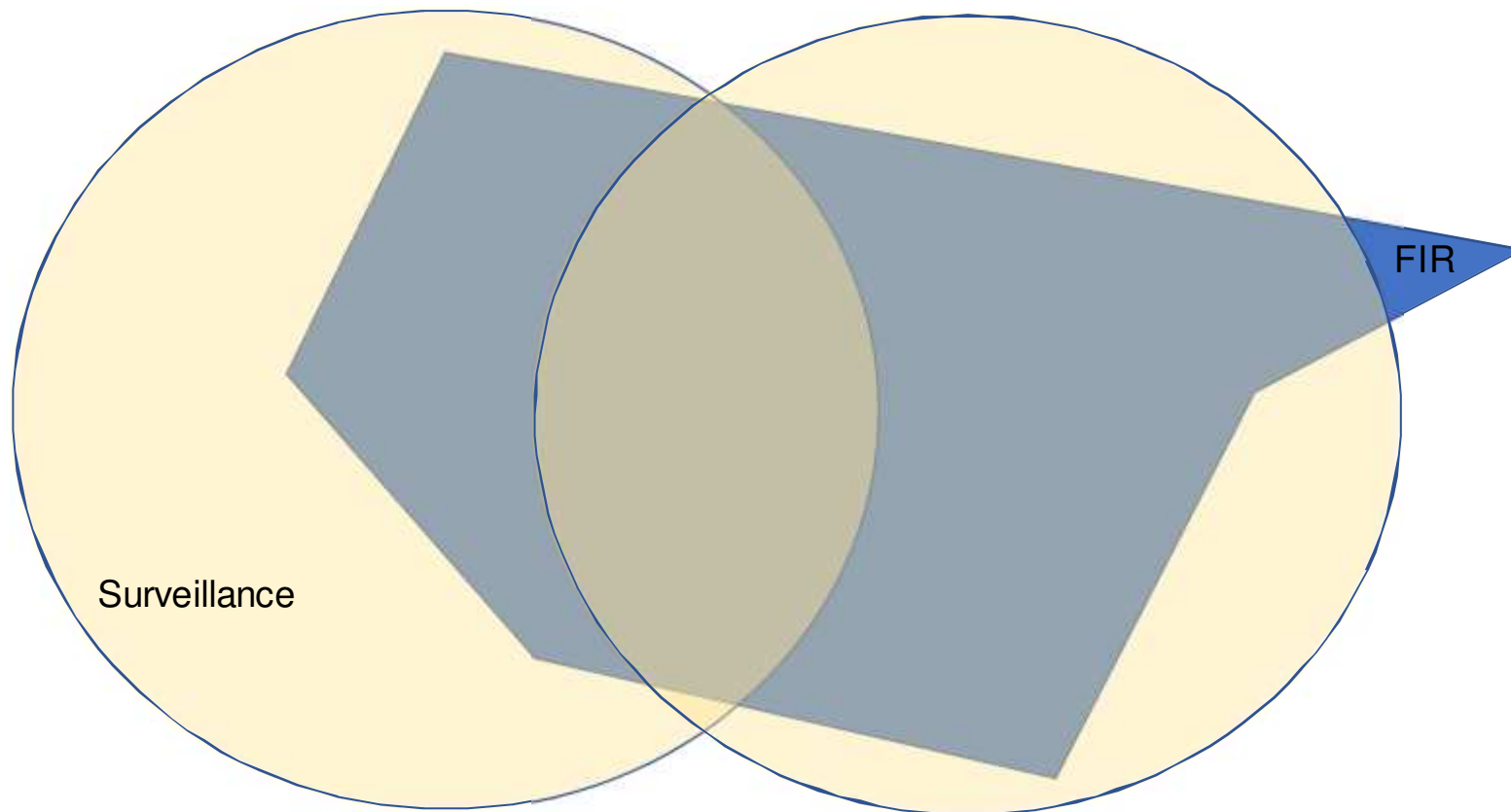
- before ATC co-ordination of transfer





## ANSP surveillance is normally :

Your own FIR plus a moderate distance into adjacent FIR

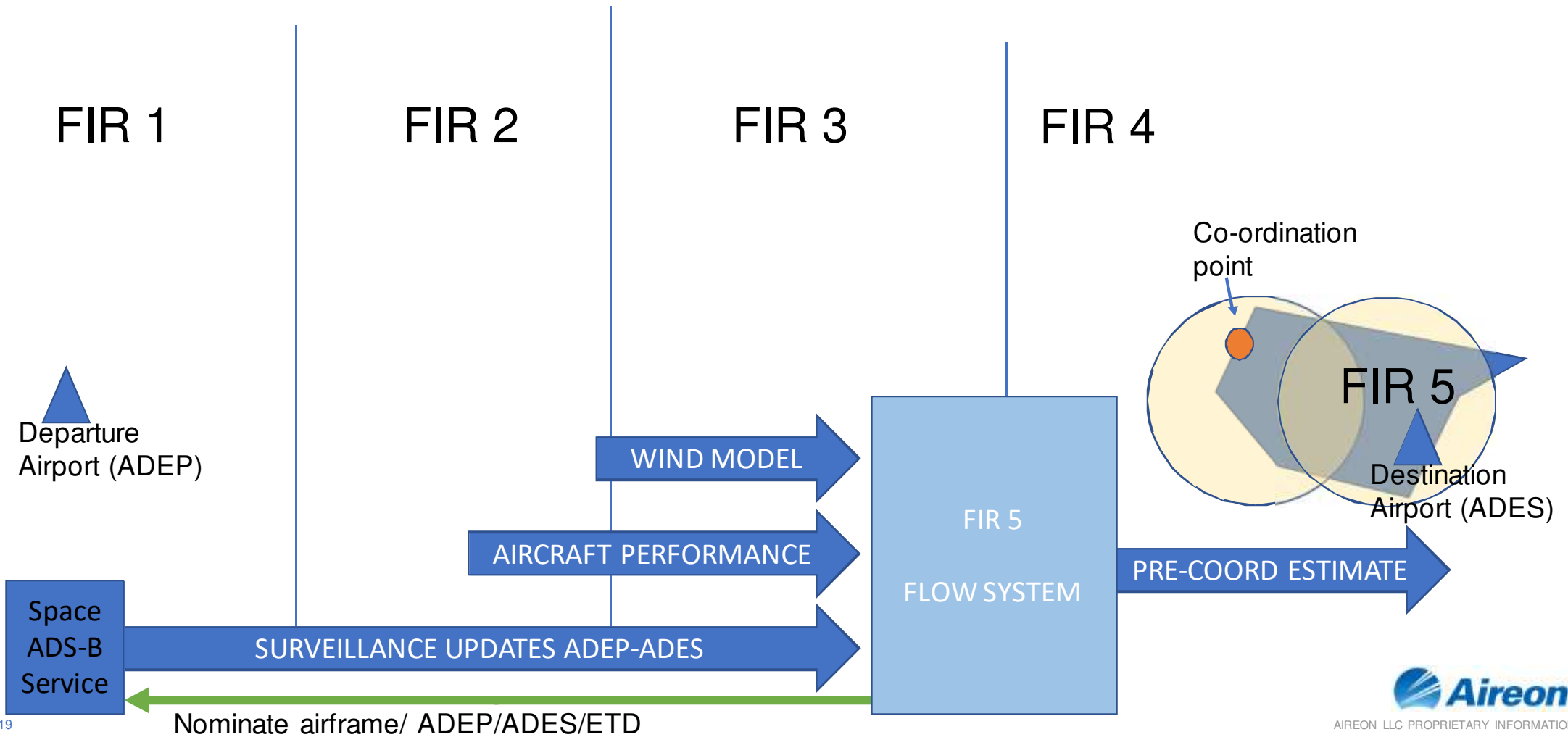


# Aireon has Surveillance data worldwide



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# What if you got surveillance from ADEP to ADES?



# Beijing ATC could receive data on CPA899 Newark to Beijing whilst over Canada !



- A possible contribution to design of new ATFMS
- Would this be useful?

# Conclusion



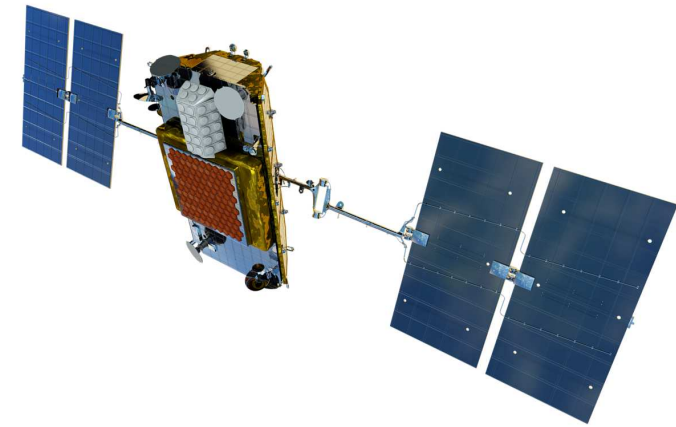
# Space based ADS-B

## ▪ Performance has been demonstrated

- Leveraged on Iridium satellite experience
  - ~20 years experience maintaining## 24/7/365 service of LEO satellites
  - 2nd generation Iridium satellites
- Satellite diversity
  - Spare satellites in orbit, component diversity on each satellite
  - Mesh network of communication to earth
  - Worldwide network of downlinks and processing

## ▪ Aireon understands ATC

- Owned by ANSPs
- Company & system designed for ATC (design, processes, people)
- Certification and Oversight by EASA (European Aviation Safety Agency)



Iridium 2<sup>nd</sup> generation : with ADS-B receiver



First generation Iridium satellite

## Demonstrated performance since November 1, 1998



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# Conclusion

- **Space based Surveillance as a SERVICE fully operational in early 2019**
  - Global coverage independent of terrestrial constraints
  - Suitable for ATS Separation
  - Easily interfaced to an ATM platforms
- **Will transform the provision of air traffic management - A potential paradigm shift for ATC and ATFM**
  - Will change the surveillance mix used by ANSPs
  - Will change ATC methods in previously non surveillance airspace
  - Potential “Departure to Destination” surveillance – anywhere, worldwide

# Joining futures

Space-based ADS-B





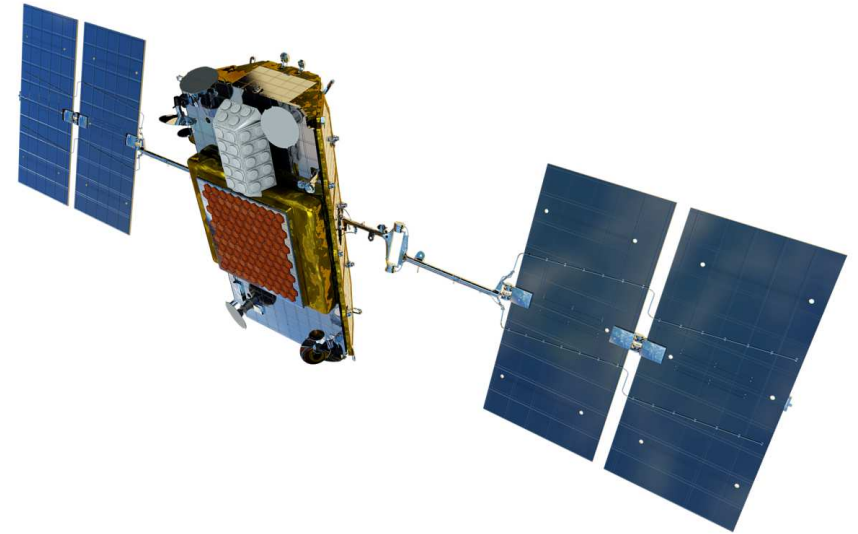
# Spare slides



# Space-based ADS-B compared to terrestrial ADS-B

## Space-based specific ATM Automation items

- Correct Asterix format version & processing
  - Consider Integrity/accuracy threshold issues
  - Ignore unexpected Asterix categories
  - Variable update interval processing
- Latency test (allow 2 seconds)
- QNH data if below transition level

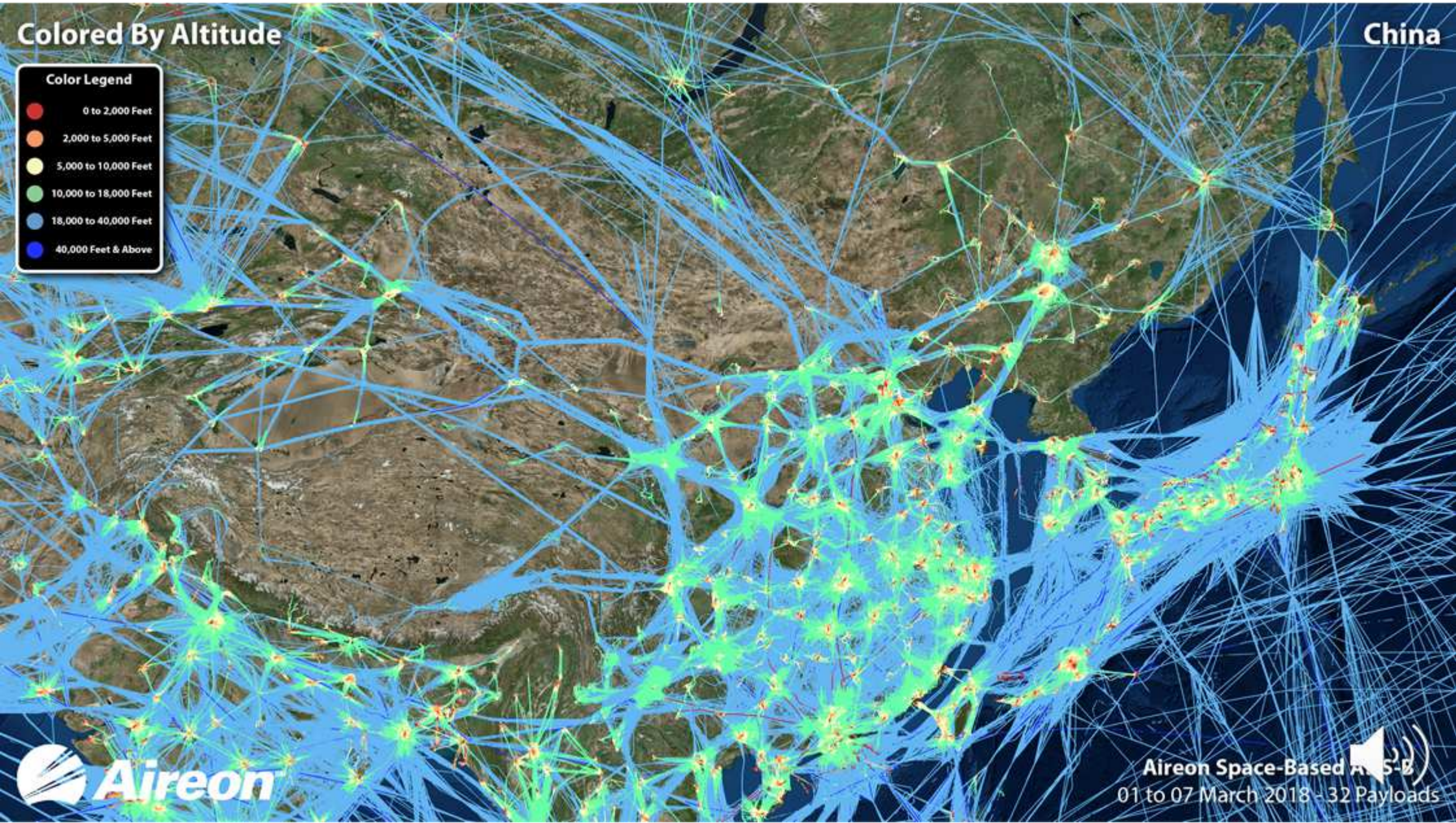


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China



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# Performance requirements for radar like separation

- VHF communication
- Appropriate update interval (typically 5 sec for 3 NM, 12 sec for 5 NM)
- Appropriately low latency (<2 sec)
- High reliability to support vectoring (typically no common point of failure)
- High availability

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### 8.7.3 Separation minima based on ATS surveillance systems

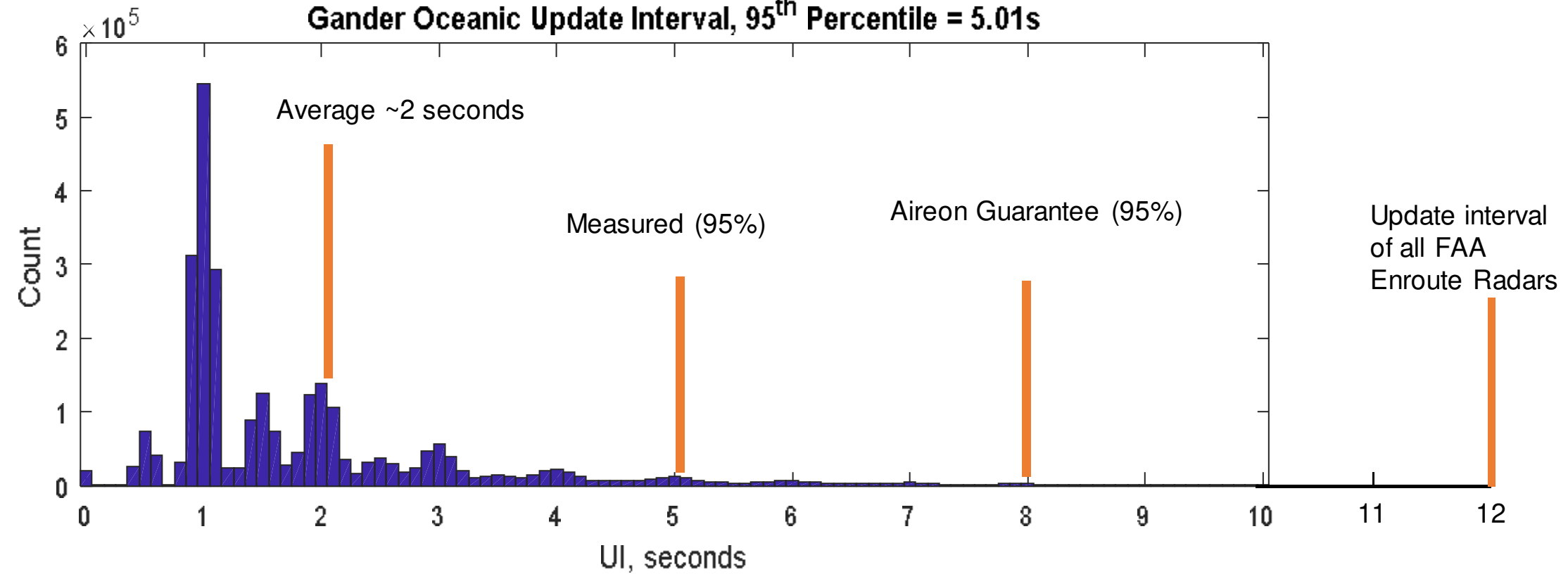
8.7.3.1 Unless otherwise prescribed in accordance with 8.7.3.2 (with respect to radar), 8.7.3.3 or 8.7.3.4, or Chapter 6 (with respect to independent and dependent parallel approaches), the horizontal separation minimum based on radar and/or ADS-B shall be 9.3 km (5.0 NM).

8.7.3.2 The radar separation minimum in 8.7.3.1 may, if so prescribed by the appropriate ATS authority, be reduced, but not below:


- 5.6 km (3.0 NM) when radar capabilities at a given location so permit; and
- 4.6 km (2.5 NM) between succeeding aircraft which are established on the same final approach track within 18.5 km (10 NM) of the runway end. A reduced separation minimum of 4.6 km (2.5 NM) may be applied, provided:
  - the average runway occupancy time of landing aircraft is proven, by means such as data collection and

# Aireon Measured Performance Update Interval (in seconds)

Gander Oceanic Update Interval, 95<sup>th</sup> Percentile = 5.01s



30/ minute	15/ minute	7.5/ minute	5/ minute
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\* Using 44 out of 66 payloads and pre- constraints.  
Expected to further improve

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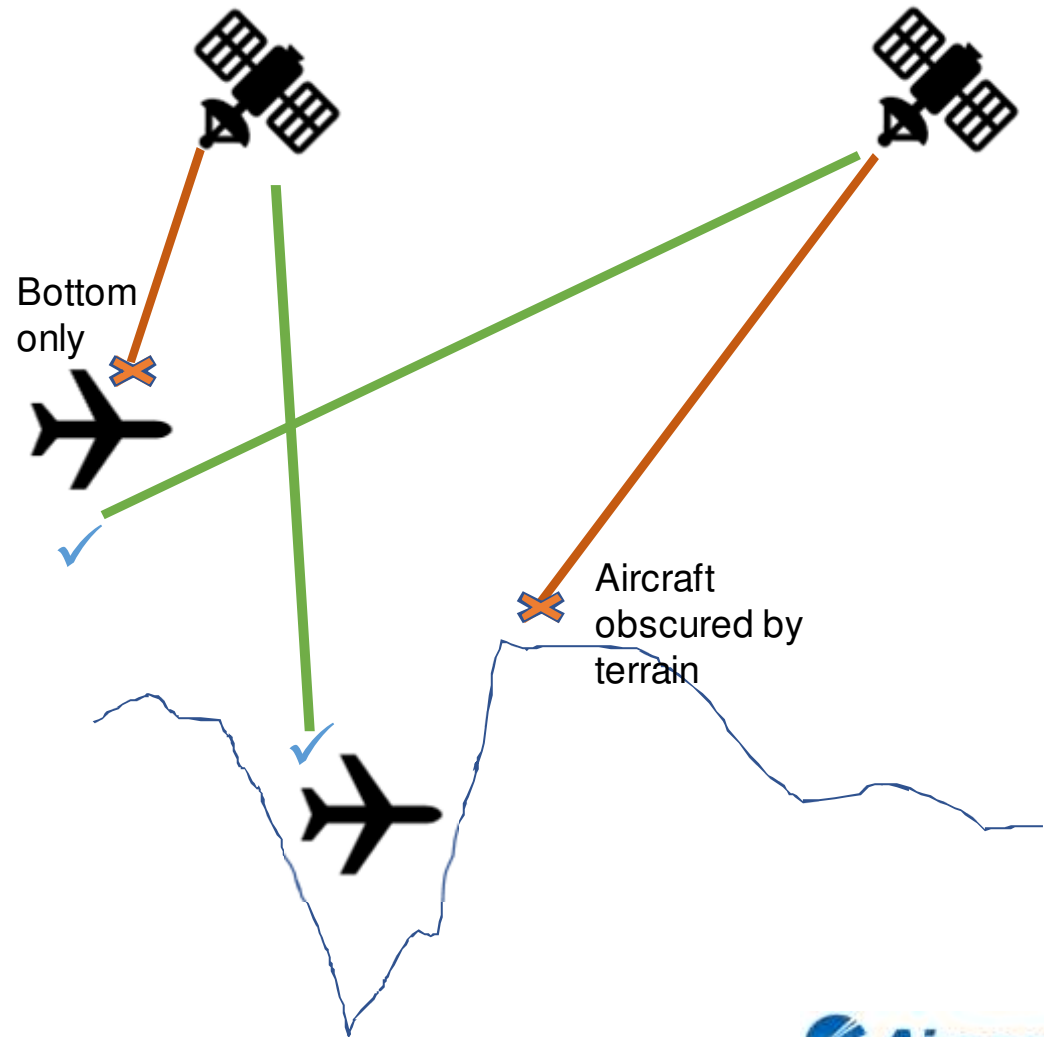
# Detection performance

- Update performance guaranteed for

- Aircraft with 125 watt ADS-B transmitter from top antenna
  - All TCAS capable aircraft have top antenna

- Bottom mounted antenna aircraft

- Are detected but performance guarantee not yet available.
  - Analysis & testing incomplete



# ASIA PACIFIC DIRECTOR GENERALS of CIVIL AVIATION January 2018 Beijing Declaration

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## 2.0 Air Navigation Services

2.1 Commit to implementation by 2022 of the Asia/Pacific Seamless Air Traffic Management (ATM) Plan to enhance ATM capacity and harmonization in the region, including a focus on:

- (a) Transitioning from Aeronautical Information Service (AIS) to Aeronautical Information Management (AIM) System;
- (b) Performance Based Navigation (PBN) implementation;
- (c) Common ground/ground telecommunication infrastructure to support Air Navigation Services (ANS) applications;
- (d) An enhanced level of civil/military cooperation;
- (e) Enhanced surveillance capability including Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast (ADS-B) technology;
- (f) Air Traffic Flow Management/Collaborative Decision Making (CDM) implementation for high density airports; and
- (g) include air navigation in national planning frameworks such as National Development Plans (NDPs) supported by National Air Navigation Plans

## ASIA PACIFIC ICAO APANPIRG29 support:

*As global ATS surveillance capability will be operational and certificated early in 2019,*

*States should **consider** implementation of this technology to improve safety and efficiency in airspace currently without continuous and seamless surveillance.*

*This technology enables some States to leapfrog legacy surveillance capabilities and helps ensure that 'no State is left behind'.*





# ICAO AIR NAVIGATION CONFERENCE OCTOBER 2018



International Civil Aviation Organization  
**WORKING PAPER**

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## THIRTEENTH AIR NAVIGATION CONFERENCE

Montréal, Canada, 9 to 19 October 2018

### COMMITTEE A

Agenda Item 3: Enhancing the global air navigation system  
3.5: Other ATM issues

### PROGRESSING GLOBAL ATS SURVEILLANCE BENEFITS THROUGH SPACE-BASED ADS-B

(Presented by the Civil Air Navigation Services Organisation (CANSO))

## CIVIL AIR NAVIGATION SERVICE ORGANISATION

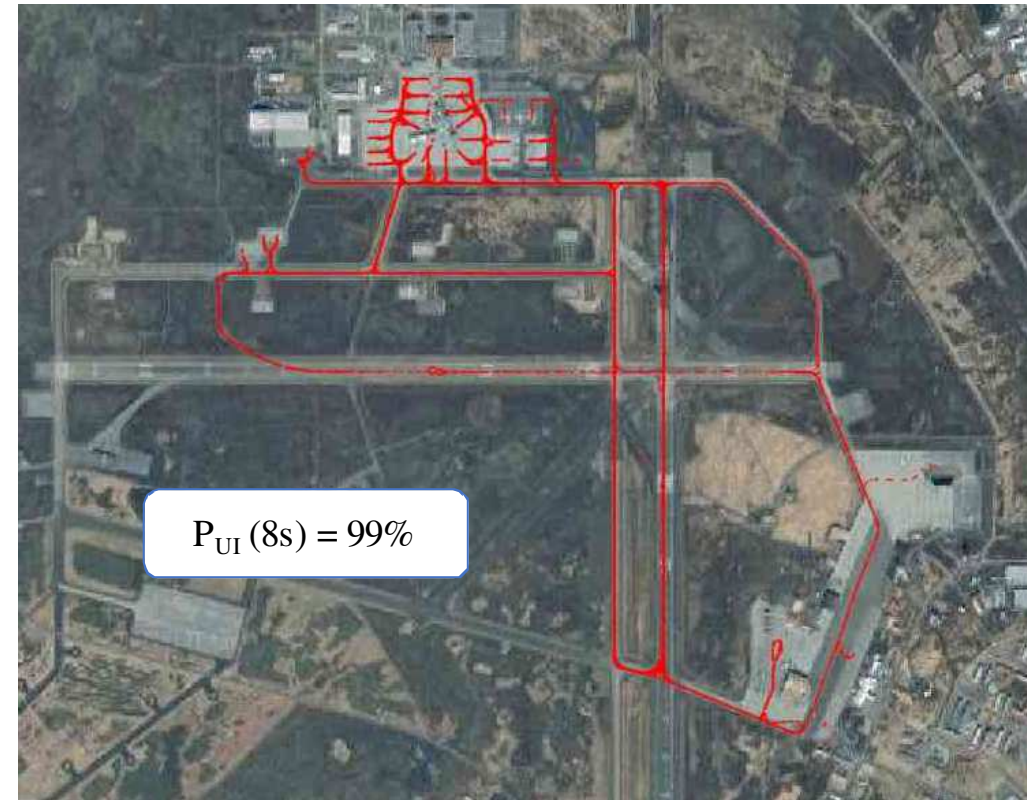
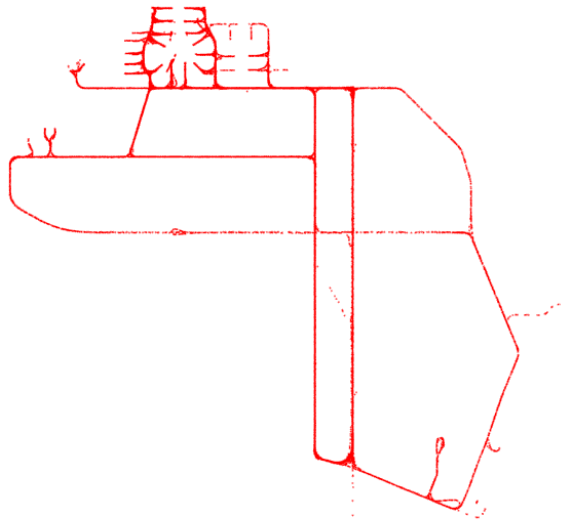
*CANSO invites the Conference to note the promising testing results of space based ADS-B as a global ATS surveillance capability and the significant benefits the introduction of such capability can bring to help deliver this industry's main safety and efficiency goals*



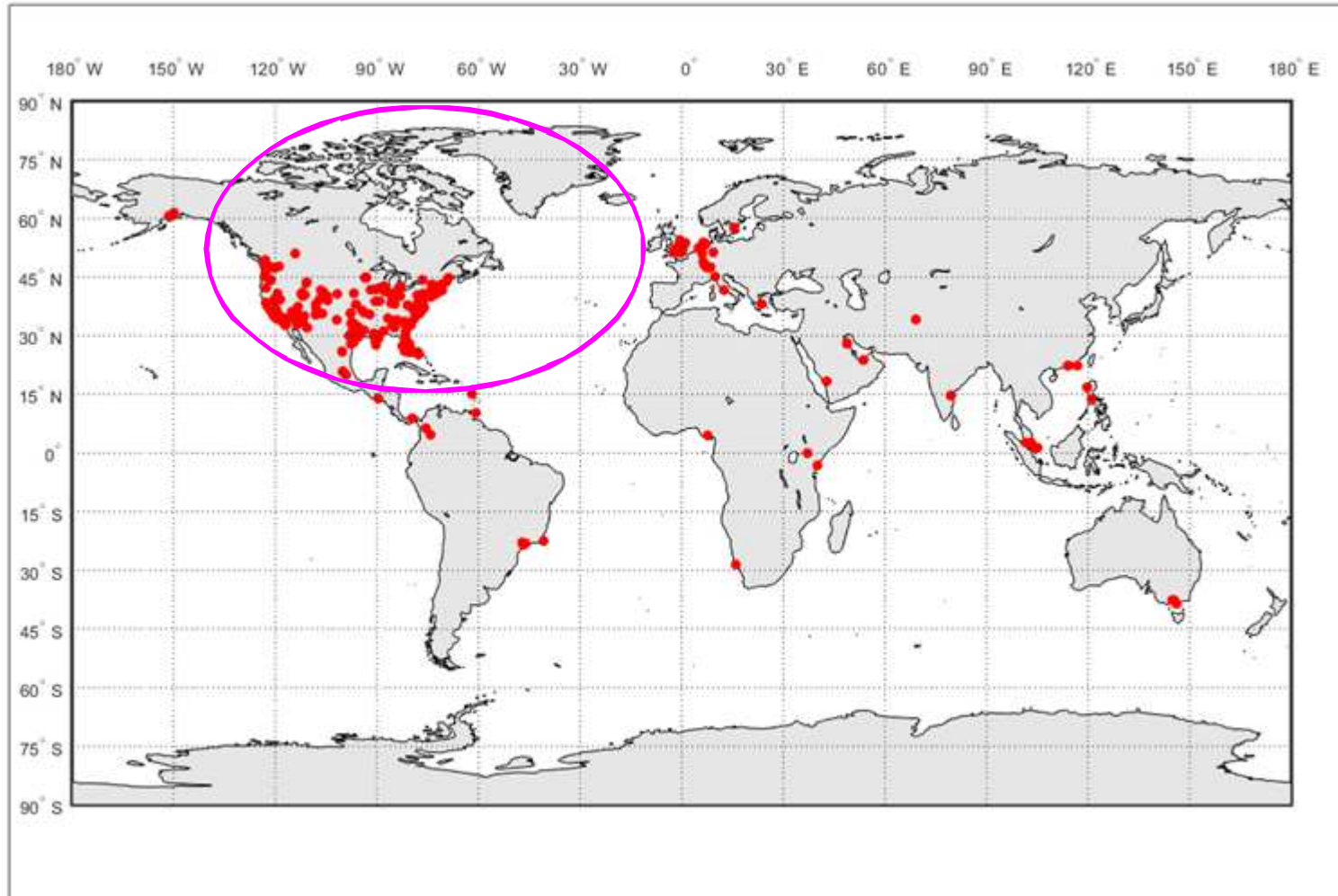
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# Keflavík, Iceland: Surface Overlay Example

- Using 3 days of Aireon ADS-B data from 1 September to 3 September, a surface overlay plot was generated.
- This plot shows ADS-B equipped aircraft on runways, taxiways, and gate/stands.

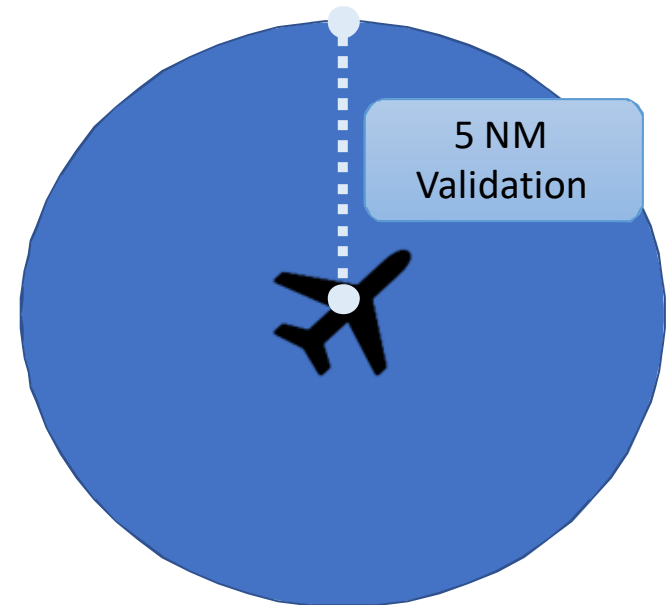


## Example of TCAS RA Monitoring from space (DO260B only)



# Issue : Position Validation

- **Validation of position is part of the design**
  - Applying all available pragmatic techniques
    - Eg: Kinematic tests
- **Time Difference of Arrival (TDOA)**
  - TDOA at multiple space receivers
  - Aireon will initially flag any reports that are inconsistent by 5 miles
  - Additional values being researched and validated
    - A more detailed review of this capability is planned to be shared during the Enhanced Solutions for Aircraft and Vehicle Surveillance Applications (ESAVS) conference in Berlin in October 2018



# Iridium Next Launches & Aireon Data Status

## Launch Status

*Eighth and FINAL Launch: 30<sup>th</sup> December 2018*

- Full Iridium NEXT constellation completed by end of Q4 2018
- The Aireon service will be live in Q1 2019
- Nav Canada first operational customer late 2018
- Sign today and fully operational within 12 months maximum



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# Space-based ADS-B is a cost-effective technology in comparison to other surveillance infrastructure

**Cost/Km2 at 10,000 feet**

Country	SSR	GB ADS-B	SB ADS-B
Chile	27,07	8,12	0,20
Colombia	5,08	1,52	1,17
Ecuador	22,31	6,69	0,77
Perú	7,97	2,39	0,60

**Cost/Km2 at 15,000 feet**

Country	SSR	GB ADS-B	SB ADS-B
Chile	22,76	6,83	0,20
Colombia	3,92	1,18	1,17
Ecuador	15,42	4,63	0,77
Perú	5,19	1,56	0,60

**Cost/Km2 at 25,000 feet**

Country	SSR	GB ADS-B	SB ADS-B
Chile	17,05	5,11	0,20
Colombia	2,5	0,75	1,17
Ecuador	9,49	2,85	0,77
Perú	2,26	0,68	0,60



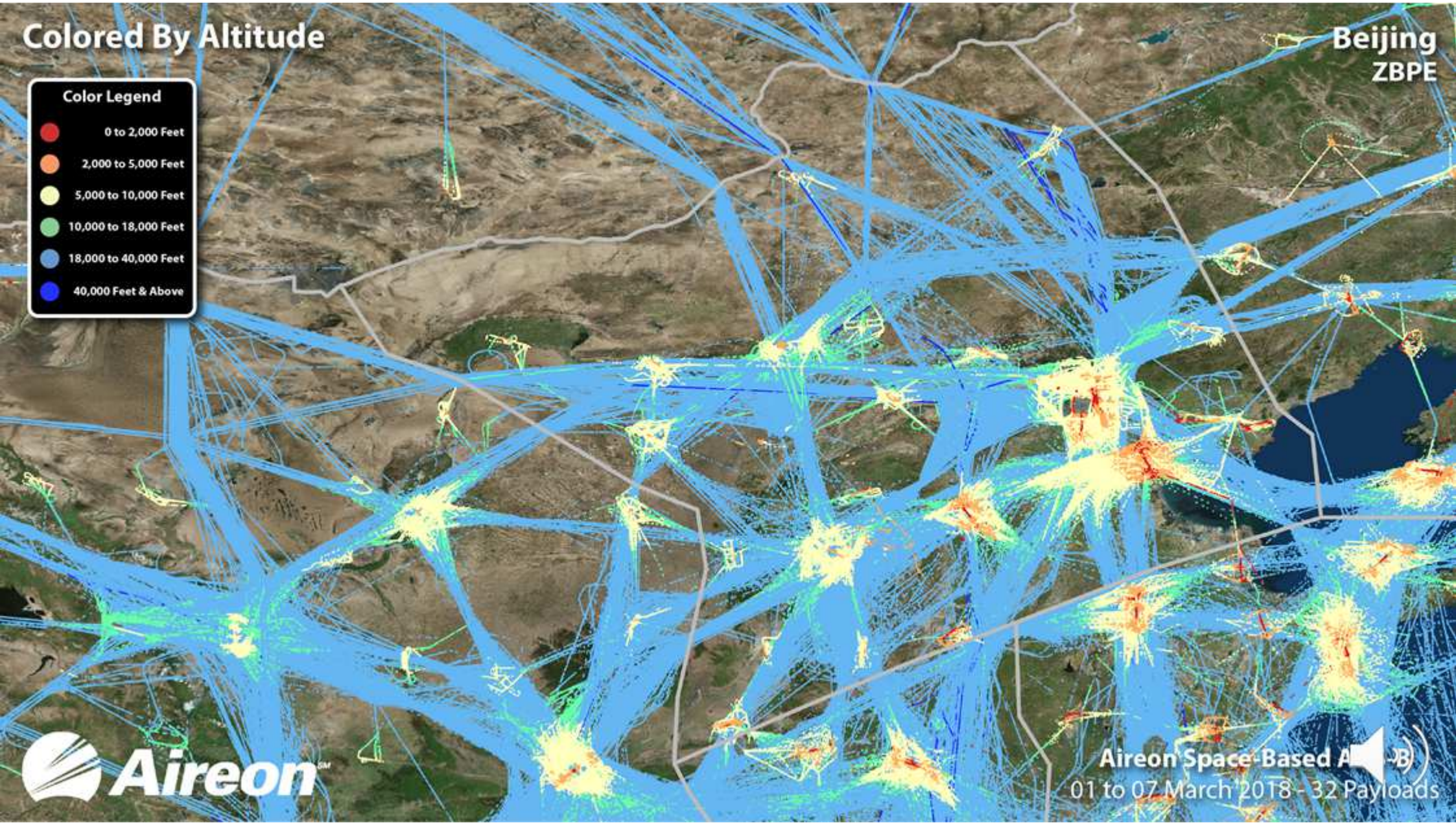
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# Integration of ADS-B into ATM

- Interface standard
- Use of DO260, DO260A and DO260B
- Testing ADS-B quality indicators
- Ensuring that latency effects are mitigated
- Tracking – and ADS-B update rate
- Removal of duplicate messages
- Removal of old messages
- Removal of false messages
- Flight plan coupling
- Flight plan indicators
- QNH data
- ADS-B track symbols
- Operation of safety nets
- Importance of Route Adherence Monitoring
- Transition from radar environment to ADS-B environment
- ATC simulation capabilities
- Site monitor processing and ADS-B service monitoring
- ADS-B outage prediction
- Blacklist capabilities
- Identify duplicate 24-bit addresses
- Recording capabilities
- Analysis capabilities

Applies equally to Terrestrial ADS-B & Space based ADS-B



SURICG3 – WP12  
Agenda Item 3  
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*International Civil Aviation Organization*  
**THIRD MEETING OF THE SURVEILLANCE IMPLEMENTATION COORDINATION GROUP (SURICG/3)**  
Denarau Island, Fiji, 25 – 27 April 2018

Agenda Item 3: Review of regional requirements for Surveillance in the e-ANP, Seamless ATM Plan and the reported implementation status

**ATC AUTOMATION REQUIREMENTS AND SPACE BASED ADS-B**  
(Presented by ICCAIA)

**SUMMARY**

This paper addresses ATC automation implications of the introduction of ADS-B (terrestrial ground stations and space based solutions) and highlights that most ATC systems that support terrestrial ADS-B will already also support space ADS-B without modification.

## ATC Automation Requirements and Space-based ADS-B Paper

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