

MKRT-D500 Digital FM Transmitter

The philosophy of **marK**oni transmitters provides a high reliability granted by very robust power supplies and amplification circuits, realized with MOSFET that are able to guarantee excellent performances, with very high efficiency and consequent low heating of all components.

Through the very User's friendly touch screen interface it is possible to check or change the complete system parameters. All these information can be also managed remotely by the network interface on the back panel, otherwise even locally by using the Ethernet connector on the front panel.

The extensive use of high-level Digital Signal Processing gives to **marKoni** unique features in the audio broadcasting world. The native AES/EBU input module guarantees pure digital quality avoiding the conversion from an analogue source. The presence of the traditional L+R input assures as well top performances even with standard analogue audio.

The FM modulation is implemented by an innovative direct-RF synthesis algorithm with sub-Hz accuracy onto an FPGA-based digital processing core.

The result is a frequency-agile transmitter with immediate installation procedure, which allows operators to broadcast their audio content with excellent purity and maximum reliability.

marKoni transmitters can be locked to the GPS time/ frequency reference signal for exact carrier allocation and Synchro FM operation, a promising band-efficient method of operating adjacent FM transmitters on the same RF frequency, after aligning all the RF and audio parameters of the transmission. The result is a clearly improved listener's reception in the overlapping signal area, extending the coverage to shadow areas, normally characterized by inter-channel interference.

A typical application of this iso-frequency approach is the coverage of branches of highways, allowing car radio receivers to keep tuning the same carrier while driving, without the annoying effect of black spots along the road.

The pure digital audio sensation that **marK**oni creates is obtained thanks to a revolutionary Soft Limiter, which avoids audio intermodulation peaks, while safeguarding the integrity of the whole input dynamic range, with the use of accurate signal processing that allows high full-band stereo separation and extreme signal-to-noise ratio.

The units come with a full-option outfit: analogue and digital audio, analogue MPX and additional wideband SCA and IP inputs, embedded RDS Generator and Digital Stereo Coder and Web/SNMP remote control.

marKoni is a synonymous of environmental sustainability (over 90% of the construction materials are recyclable).



Main Modu	lation Inputs	Lev	els	Alarms		More	Log
Primary	Analog	*	Ana	log	*		
Secondary	None		Nor	ne	•		
Digital source	AES/EBU	+	AES	/EBU	•		
Coder	Mono L	*	Mo	no L	•		
SCA	Off						
RDS	Off						
Impedance	600 Ohm	*	600	Ohm	-		
Home	Modulator		Exc	iter		LogOu	It

▲ Touch-screen display



🔺 Rear panel detail



▲ Front panel filter protection

MAIN FEATURES

- Crystal Digital Sound purity
- Fully Digital Signal Processing
- Embedded RDS generator
- Auto-calibration at power-on
- Internal 32-bit Digital Signal Processing
- Unbeatable price/performance ratio
- Lifetime upgradeable firmware
- Absolutely no analogue trimming points
- Single-chip Digital Processing guarantees maximum compactness
- Minimum BOM, maximum long-term reliability
- Fully remotely controllable by Web/SNMP interface
- 1pps and 10MHz inputs for Synchro FM Operation

Technical characteristics

SIGNAL PROCESSING SECTION

FM Carrier Generation FM Modulation Stereo Coder Input Audio Limiter Digital Processing Resolution RDS Generator Monitoring Output Signal

INPUT SECTION

- Analog L/R Input Section

L/R Analogue Inputs L/R Analogue Inputs Impedance

- Analog MPX and SCA Input Section

Analogue MPX Input MPX Analogue Inputs Impedance SCA1/SCA2 Inputs SCA1/SCA2 Analogue Inputs Impedance

- Digital L/R Input Section

Digital Audio Input Balanced AES/EBU Input Impedance Unbalanced S/PDIF Input Impedance

- RX-IP Audio Decoder (Optional)

RTP Receiver Decoder Connector

- Audio Delay Audio Input Delay (all audio inputs)

OUTPUT SECTION

RF Output Frequency (FM/OIRT bands) **Output Level** Output Interface/Impedance Pilot Carrier Frequency Pilot Carrier Level Pilot Carrier Output MPX Analogue Output 19kHz and 38kHz Tone Suppression THD (30Hz-15kHz)+N Synchronous AM Asynchronous AM Mono SNR RMS Stereo SNR RMS L/R and R/L Crosstalk M/S and S/M Crosstalk **Pilot Carrier Phase** Frequency Deviation Range Pre-emphasis

GENERAL

Physical Remote Control Port Remote Control Options Front Panel User Interface Power Supply Voltage Typical Efficiency at 98MHz Operating Temperature

OPTIONS



NCO-based synthesis Fully digital Fully digital, integrated Proprietary integrated Soft Limiter Real-time internal 32-bit digital processing Fully integrated Fully digitally generated

30Hz - 15kHz (integrated digital stereo coder) 0dBu nominal (adjustable from -12dBu to +12dBu) 600 Ohm/10 kOhm balanced/unbalanced

30Hz - 100kHz 0dBu nominal 10 kOhm unbalanced 40kHz - 100kHz 2Vpp nominal for ±7.5kHz deviation 10 kOhm unbalanced

AES/EBU (XLR Female), S/PDIF (BNC) 110 Ohm 75 Ohm

Unicast RTP/UDP compatible receiver HE-AAC (v.1 and v.2), MPEG-1 Layer 3 or raw PCM RJ45

0 - 4us, step 1us

87.5MHz - 108MHz step 1Hz, ±1ppm frequency stability / OIRT on request 500W 7/16" type / 50 Ohm 19kHz ±0.001Hz 0-12% modulation in 0.1% steps 1Vpp digitally synthesized OdBu from integrated digital stereo coder < -63dB < 0.1% Better than -60dB Better than -70dB Better than -85dB Better than -80dB > 50dB (60dB typ.) > 45dB full-band User-adjustable (step <1°) User-adjustable 0 to ±200kHz Flat, 50us or 75us

Case 19"-2U RS232/RS485 PSTN, GSM (optional), Ethernet, SNMP LCD full color touch screen display Low/Medium power, 230V, ±15% 73% 0 - 45°C

N+1 Redundancy configurations available from 1+1 to 4+1 (expandable)



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