



GALILEO Hackathon in Bangalore

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Galileo Hackathon in Bangalore – by GNSS.asia

- What is GNSS.asia?
- Activities and cooperation in India
- Galileo Hackathon in March 2019

What is GNSS.asia?

GNSS
asia

Industrial cooperation
across continents

Facilitate
Industrial
Cooperation

Support
Institutional
Relations

Promote
Galileo in Asia

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Successful cooperation with India since 2013



Annual Industry Workshop, Bangalore (2013)



Geological Survey of India (GSI), Kolkata

Industry visits of EU delegation, Bangalore & Kolkata



Round Table Meetings, Mumbai, Chennai, Pune & New Delhi (2013)



GNSS.asia delegation visit at AAI, Delhi (2013)

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GNSS.asia seminar, Delhi (2014)



GNSS.asia delegation visit of GAGAN Control Centre



Meeting with Railway Board, Delhi (2014)



Industry Seminar, Bengaluru (2016)

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Company visits, Bangalore (2016)



AAI/ISRO delegation visiting Munich (March 2019)



GNSS.asia Challenge Winners from India



Meeting GSA-ISRO, Bengaluru (March 2019)

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Galileo Hackathon in March 2019



The poster features a dark blue background with a stylized map of India and a satellite in orbit. The text is arranged as follows:

Galileo hackathon

by **GNSS.asia**

16-17 March www.gnss.asia

PES University **Bangalore**

Below the text are icons for a smartphone, a location pin, a compass, an airplane, and a satellite. At the bottom are three logos: Galileo (Navigation Solutions Powered by Europe), GNSS.asia, and the European Global Navigation Satellite Systems Agency.

Addressing multiple objectives at once



- **Innovation cooperation:** Opportunity for India and EU innovators to co-create GNSS-based solutions



- **Galileo knowhow:** Outreach to local GNSS communities to use Galileo for country-tailored solutions



- **Industry branding:** Platform for GNSS industries to present products and services to participants and future innovators



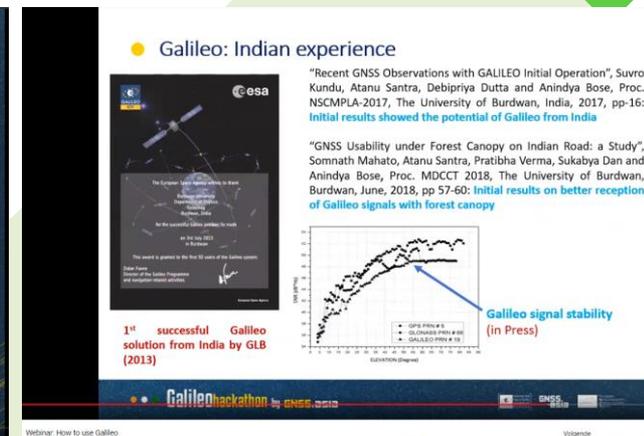
- **Industry partnering:** Occasion for B2B and B2G side-meetings for industry and start-ups



- **Talent acquisition:** New way of sourcing innovation and talent for GNSS and user industry

Practical details

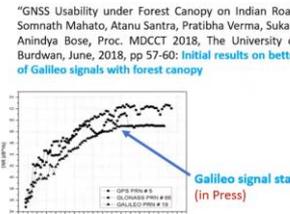
- **Date:** 16-17 March 2019
- **Venue:** PES University, Bangalore
- **EU presence:** European GNSS Agency & GNSS.asia team
- **India presence:** ISRO
- **Two training sessions** before the hackathon through webinars
 - Introduction to GNSS technology + Galileo differentiators
 - GNSS market and business models
- **Idea competition:** 24 hours to address a challenge using Galileo



● Galileo: Indian experience

“Recent GNSS Observations with GALILEO Initial Operation”, Suvro Kundu, Atanu Santra, Debipriya Dutta and Anindya Bose, Proc. NSCMPLA-2017, The University of Burdwan, India, 2017, pp-16: [Initial results showed the potential of Galileo from India](#)

“GNSS Usability under Forest Canopy on Indian Road: a Study”, Somnath Mahato, Atanu Santra, Pratibha Verma, Sukabya Dan and Anindya Bose, Proc. IMCCIT 2018, The University of Burdwan, Burdwan, June, 2018, pp 57-60: [Initial results on better reception of Galileo signals with forest canopy](#)



Galileo signal stability (in Press)

1st successful Galileo solution from India by GLB (2013)

Galileo hackathon by GNSS.asia

The Participants



- Over 300 applications!
- 20 teams, **81 selected participants**
- Representation from **all over India** (Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, West Bengal...)
- **University and Corporate Teams**

The Participants



Industry Engagement

- Corporate teams
 - Hexagon – sent 2 teams
 - PWC
 - MindTree
- Jury Members & Mentors
 - StartupXseed
 - StartUp360
 - Citrix
 - Volvo Trucks
 - Magnasoft
- Promotion Partners
 - Bosch DNA Accelerator
 - SAP



The Challenge

To develop an innovative **Urban Mobility / Smarty City Solution**, using Galileo, which provides one of the following:

1. A user-friendly, fast and cost-efficient **A-Z transport solution** for Bangalore
2. A **smart city** solution for citizens who are **disadvantaged** and/or with health issues
3. A **smart city** solution for the **safety** of vulnerable population groups
4. Other smart solutions for Bangalore, India or globally, using Galileo

The Solutions



- Reward-based system for green/public transportation MaaS-app
- Car-sharing app (with or without chauffeurs)
- Road emergency assistance
- Parking app (traffic jams)



- Supply chain app for agricultural industry (farmer-buyer marketplace)



- Security app for women



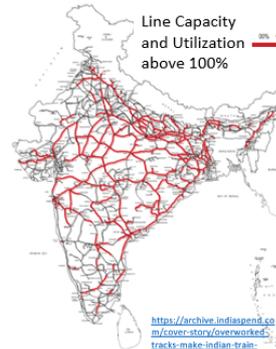
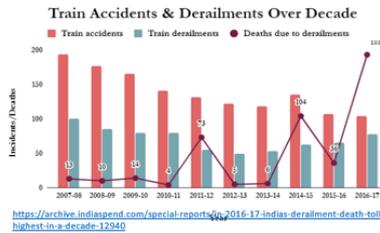
- Rail track maintenance system geotagging potential fault locations (**winner**)

The Winner

● Market Potential (I)

Indian Railways, a ticking time bomb.

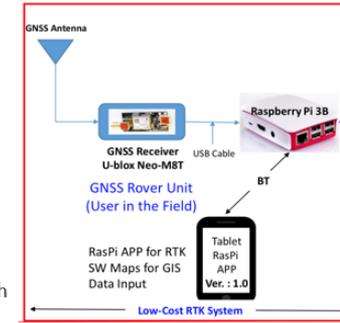
- Over 60% of tracks utilized over 100% ---->
- Train Derailment continues to be a major contributor to Train Accidents (over 50% in recent years).



● Technical Back-End (I)

The technical backend would be devised using the following hardware components enforced by software techniques such as machine learning:

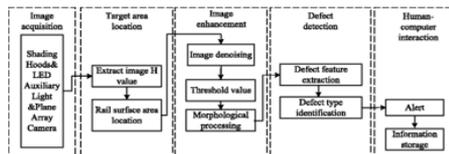
- High shutter speed camera
- Light source for the camera
- Data storage and transmission system
- Galileo receiver (Low Cost, High accuracy RTK System)



Dinesh Manandhar, CSIS, The University of Tokyo

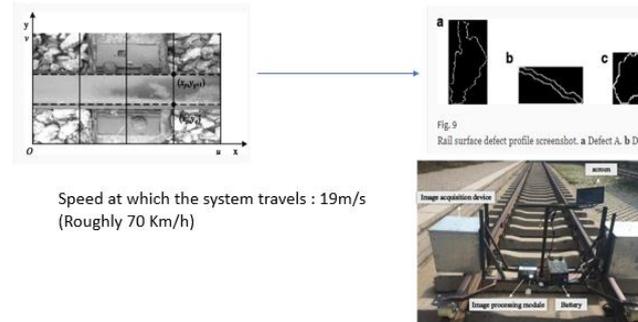
● Technical Back-End (II)

- The images are captured and collected with an appropriate camera (High Shutter Speed). The stored images are pre-processed to find the target area, post-capture.
- Images are de-noised and morphological processes are run on these to detect defects. The locations are timestamped with the images and hence we will know the location of the defect accurately.
- Multiple passes over the target are ensure that it is sufficiently covered despite not having a continuous feed.



● Proof of Concept (I)

A paper has been implemented which incorporates the image processing explained in the Technical Backend (II) in Real Time.



The Winner



Feedback to the hackathon



“Thanks for inviting us.. it was very good event. So happy, because of so good engagement and people interest.”
Dhananjaya Tripathi, Head of Innovation, Volvo Trucks India



“Out of the 19 ideas only 3 were not good. This is remarkable as these are mostly only colleague students. I look forward to mentoring the winners.”
Ashok G, Startup 360, Seed Investor



“We were amazed by the way the GNSS.asia Galileo Hackathon was conducted. Our students were thrilled to be part of the event.”
Prof. Dr. Rajasekar, PES University







Also the press was present!

గెలిలియో హ్యాకథాన్ లో పీఈఎస్ బృందానికి నగదు బహుమతి

బెంగళూరు, మార్చి 18 (ఆంధ్రజ్యోతి): జెఎన్ఎన్ఎస్ ఏషియాచే పీఈఎస్ యూనివర్సిటీ ప్రాంగణంలో శిగిగంటల పాటు నిరంతరంగా సాగిన గెలిలియో హ్యాకథాన్ జరిగింది. అంతర్జాతీయ స్థాయిలో సాగిన సెమినార్ కు దేశవిదేశాలకు చెందిన బృందాలు పాల్గొన్నాయి. దేశంలోని వివిధ విశ్వ విద్యాల యాల నుంచి వచ్చిన బృందాలు సాంకేతిక సిద్ధాంతాలకు అనుగుణంగా నిరంతరంగా గెలిలియో టెక్నాలజీ పై చర్చలు సాగాయి. గెలిలియో టెక్నాలజీ యూరప్ కు చెందిన శ్యాటిలైట్ న్యూవిగేషన్ పద్ధతిలో సాగే విధానం. రైల్వే పట్టాల ద్వారా వచ్చే శబ్దాన్ని బట్టి గెలిలియో సాంకేతికతకు అనుగుణంగా రూపకల్పన చేసిన మేరకు పీఈఎస్ యూనివర్సిటీ



నగదు పురస్కారం అందుకుంటున్న పీఈఎస్ విద్యార్థుల బృందం

ర్సిటీ బృందానికి రూ.16వేల నగదు బహుమతి దక్కింది. పట్టాల ద్వారా వచ్చే శబ్దాలకు అనుగుణమైన చిత్రాల ద్వారా ప్రమాదాలను గుర్తించేలాంటి ప్రయోగాన్ని రూపొందించారు.

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Aftermovie

