

SIERA (SC-SDA14)

PORTABLE UNDERWATER CALIBRATION SYSTEM



Description

SIERA offers a solution for the characterization and calibration of underwater acoustic systems (hull-mounted sonars, dipping sonars, variable depth sonars, buoys...).

SIERA also allows radiated noise measurements in the far field.

SIERA is an autonomous system towed from a dedicated boat.

SIERA is composed of 4 subsets:

- · a processing and visualizing unit
- a light towed body
- · two winches for towline storage
- two 250 m electrical cables equipped with waterproof plugs and associated extension cables

Products are subject to export control restrictions.

Applications

- Sea Acceptance Tests
- Transmission level measurements
- Calibrated sound-effects engineering for training in an operational environment
- Radiated noise measurements in the far field

Features

- Frequency and level measurement
- Noise maker
- Repeater
- Answerer
- GPS positioning
- Visualization of received and emitted signals
- Immersion measurement of towed body

Characteristics Powered by SDA

- Reception sensibility: sea state 0 up to 180 dB/μPa
- Emission level: 185 dB from 3 to 20 kHz, 150 to 185 dB from 200 Hz to 3 kHz
- Frequency band (E/R): 200 Hz to 20 kHz
- Measures in ref: dB/µPa related at 1 m

- Towed body size: D: 205 mm L: 1312 mm
- Towed body weight: 19 kg
- Max operating depth: 500 m
- Max towing speed: 10 kn





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Towed body

- Welded and screwed mechanical parts in 316 L
- stainless steel
- B&K 8106 Hydrophone
- Neptune Sonar D/11/BB Transducer
- Watertight enclosure:
 - 3 waterproof plugs
 - Pressure sensor
 - Protecting and filtering electronics
- Removable storage plug

Two 250 m towed electrical cables equipped with two water-proof connecting sockets.

Two aluminum winches equipped with a retractable handle, a locking system and mounting brackets on the deck.

Acquisition and CAG generation box

The acquisition and CAG generation box is composed of the following elements:

- 19-inch 6U enclosure with removable front panels, wheels and retractable handle
- 1U acquisition unit and application software
- 2 class D amplifiers, each in 1U format
- 3U impedance matching unit
- Wiring and connecting tools

The configuration and processing unit is composed of:

- Connecting unit and laptop
- Operating system
- Software application
- Removable data storage unit



RTsys Activities

- Underwater acoustics
- Embedded electronics
- Underwater drones
- Sonar solutions
- Systems integration
- Customized R&D

