

SIERA

Portable Underwater Calibration System



Measurement



Radiated Noise monitoring

Advantages

- Lightweight and easy to • implement
- Easily measure and characterize the performance of a sonar system
- Real-time or delayed signal processing.
- Easy deployment and recovery

Passive Acoustic Monitoring

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 at variable immersion 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.

SIERA is subject to export control restrictions.

Payloads & Options

- **GPS** positioning
- Transducer
- **Pressure Sensor**
- Hydrophone

Supplied Hardware

- Storage bag
- **Extension cable**
- **GPS-PPS** antennas
- Hand mast





Buoy with

GPS.

antenna

and flasher

Swell

Damper

Recorder

Vertical Array

15 hydrophones

Length 17 m

Reference

Hydrophon



Towed body

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

Two 250 m towed electrical cables equipped with two waterproof connecting sockets.

Two aluminium 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.

onfiguration and processing unit

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

Ballast

Recording capacities

- Reception sensibility: sea state 0 up to 180 dB/µPa
- Emission level:
 - 185 dB from 3 to 20 kHz;
 - \circ 150 to 185 dB from 500 Hz to 3 kHz;
 - \circ ~ 130 dB from 20 kHz to 30 kHz
- Frequency band (E/R): 500 Hz to 20 kHz
- Measures in ref: dB/µPa related at 1 m

Dimensions

- Length: 1312 mm
- Diameter: 205 mm
- Weight: 19 kg

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