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New Functionality

- Added gain configuration to all input sources to e. g. allow alignment of main and backup sources
- Added DAB+ support to optional (formerly FM only) multiband tuner (VER63020)
- Added playlist support (m3u, m3u8, pls) to the file input source
- Added VLAN support to the Icecast client input source
- Added previously missing RF level value for the optional SAT tuner
- Added SAT tuner alarms for RF level, C/N and TS Sync
- Added Mono Downmix option for the audio outputs
- Major Livewire integration enhancements:
 - Added optional Livewire Sources for the audio inputs, providing its physical XLR audio inputs as Livewire audio streams and optional Livewire Sources for the audio outputs (instead of AES67 streams), allowing to have a Livewire audio stream instead of physical XLR as audio output. An IP-4c with 4 channels will announce 8 Livewire Sources, where SRC1 – SRC4 will reflect the audio inputs and SRC5 – SRC8 will reflect the audio outputs
 - The Livewire input sources for the Encoder section will now be a fixed number of Livewire Destinations (as much as encoders are available), thereby allowing the configuration via LWRP (corresponding to the fixed number of Livewire Destinations for the Audio Decoder section). An IP-4c with 4 channels will now announce 24 Livewire Destinations, where DST1 – DST16 will reflect the possible Livewire input source for Audio1/Main, Audio1/Backup1 and so on and DST17 – DST24 will reflect the possible Livewire input sources for Encoder 1 to 8.
 - GPIO Tunneling has now the option to tunnel the Livewire GPO state instead of the physical GPI state.
 - Added Livewire level meters for Sources and Destinations (enhance compatibility to e. g. Pathfinder)
 - Added support for the Livewire GPIO snake mode, allowing to link the GPOs of the IP-4c to the GPIs of a different Livewire device.
 - Added two virtual Livewire GPI ports (GPI 3 and 4), which will reflect the state of GPO port 1 and 2. This will allow other Livewire devices to register for GPI changes via snake mode and thereby follow a GPO change on the IP-4c (e. g. via GPIO Tunneling), reflected as a virtual GPI change. The virtual GPI ports will thereby provide a GPO pass-through to other Livewire devices.
- Added optional RDS Databridge as ancillary data provider for a FM radio tuner input source (having the same functionality as in our FM02 or A30)
- Added status tabs to Overview page for optional AES67 outputs and Livewire Sources
- Added PIN lock option for LCD menu
- HLS encoder: added support for FLAC and Opus
- Allow decoding of not announced TS audio services (with missing DVB tables)
The codec has to be set manually ("Automatic" will not work)
- Added VLAN interface status



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Changed functionality

- Improved the file upload via the Storage page
The upload limit was increased to 100 MB and the error handling was improved.
- The “NTP Server Quality” parameter options are renamed from “Internet” and “Local” to “Logging” and “Clock Source” to better describe the usage and thereby the internal evaluation parameters used. With NTP expert settings enabled you can now also change the NTP quality settings “RMS Offset” and “Skew” (used as evaluation parameters).
NTP validation is now much faster on device startup or NTP activation.

Fixed Issues

- Fixed a possible crash with NTP synchronization and “Bind to interface” option enabled
- When loading a settings file, some input sources may not show up, although there were such input sources in the settings file (probably only TS/SAT and Radio)
- SAT tuner: there was a LNB supply limitation of 200mA, which led to compatibility issues to some LNBs (not switching polarization). This limitation is removed by software, allowing for a current > 400mA
- SAT input sources: Fixed a possible larger offset of the audio buffer level with certain streams
- Fixed an issue with syslog messages stop working after a reboot
- Fixed a possible crash on the Overview page, when RTP with dual streaming, VLAN and multicast is enabled
- Fix input source assignment check for SAT input sources (did not allow some valid combinations)
- Fix GPIO Tunneling info not shown for encoder if no ancillary data source is selected
- Fix xHE-AAC problems with low bitrates
- Icecast input source handling improved for faulty meta data from some Icecast servers
- Improved Icecast client compatibility to “bursty” Icecast streams similar to HLS
- IGMP binding improved for RTP multicast (in case of interfaces with identical addresses)
- Livewire: increased general compatibility with Pathfinder
- Livewire: changes done to Livewire Destinations via LWRP were not applied
- SIP: calls could not be cancelled during connection establishment
- SIP: redial improved
- SIP/SDP: (EBUACIP:VERSION) information moved, enhance compatibility to Unify OpenScape SBC
- NMOS: improved compatibility with STAGED mode (SDP parameters)
- AES67 output compatible with DHD (silent mode)
- AES67 outputs loose the PTP synchronization after reconfiguration the AES67 output parameters
- AES67 output: improve stability of empty packets mode
- AES67 input: fix problem with mono input streams
- Fixed MPEG TS signaling for MPEG2-AAC
- Improved transcoding of MPEG TS with ancillary data
- Fixed an issue with the ancillary output not working and providing no data when a TS ancillary data or a private data input source is configured and only assigned to one of the ancillary outputs without using the same TS source in one of the decoders (or maybe encoders)



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- TS/Demux: In "Service (auto)" mode the PID shown in the input source table was the PMT PID and not the audio PID
- TS/Demux: Fix decoding startup problems with "Service (auto)" mode
- TS/Demux config: Fix empty audio track select on config mode change from "Service (auto)" to "Service (fixed)"
- SAP: fixed crash with too many announced streams
- HLS/Icecast Encoder: Fixed a possible deadlock when TLS/SSL encryption is enabled

Known bugs

- xHE-AAC: Ancillary data and GPIO Forwarding does not work



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New Functionality

- Added VLAN support to the new AES67 inputs/outputs, which can optionally replace the physical XLR inputs/outputs, e.g. for SIP
- Added VLAN support to the Livewire routing, advertisement and GPIO configuration
- The AES/EBU inputs delivered no audio, when nothing is connected and the sample rate converter is switched off (or used by the output). Now there's a new configuration option "Generate Null Samples", which will deliver audio silence, even if nothing is connected at the AES/EBU input.
- SIP: Added support for DualStreaming (SMPTE 2022-7; EBU TECH 3368, Chapter 3.7.4.1)
- Added support for Multichannel AES67/Ravenna input streams – it's possible to select the channel(s) to use from it
- Added support for user authentication to Icecast client
- Added the additional possibility to configure a DNS server per IP interface (including VLAN)
- Added support for FEC according to RFC 2733 (e. g. used by Digigram IQOYA)
- Added the possibility to upload MP4 and M4A files from within the web interface via Status / Storage
- Added "copyToClipboard" icon to IP status on the Overview page to copy the IP address
- In case the physical inputs/outputs are configured as Digital AES/EBU, the sample rate is shown in the level meter blocks at the top of the Overview page

Changed functionality

- SAP: the device is now listening to SAP announcements on all interfaces
- SAP announcements are now done on the interfaces, where the streams are sent (including VLANs)
- Ember+ can now be used simultaneously via more than one interface including VLAN(s). The configuration is done via Network Settings / Services. The switch to disable Ember+ completely is removed – instead disable Ember+ for all interfaces via Network Settings / Services.
- The AES67 outputs, which can optionally replace the physical XLR outputs, were announced via SAP/SDP with the fixed name "AES67x", where "x" was the output number. If a name is configured for the audio output (via Codec / Input Sources / Interfaces / Audio Output), that name will now be used for SAP/SDP announcement.

Fixed Issues

- SAT tuner: if reception gets interrupted due to e. g. bad weather conditions, the device might fail to re-establish TS decoding and the audio outputs stay silent
- MPEG TS Encoder: Better PTS generation, thereby improving compatibility to certain decoder devices (e. g. Ateme DR5000 or SA D9846)
- Ancillary data decoding didn't work with Opus codec
- A snmpwalk could crash the device when the EBU Tech 3326 license is not present
- Switching off all TS/IP multiplexer outputs did switch off a possible active ASI output, too



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- Audio outputs 3 and 4 did not work when the device started in reduced channel count mode and is switched to full channel count later on
- Added the missing seconds information to the UECP CT ancillary data status
- Audio silence detection may produce log entries named AES67
- NTP based synchronized playout was broken in version 2.10
- SAP: Enhanced compatibility to Dante Controller
- HE-AAC and MPEG-4 Audio Descriptor: the encoder will now signal level 2 if the sample rate is ≤ 24 kHz and level 3 above (according to ISO/IEC 14496-3:2019, Table 1.11)
- HLS encoder: decoder switched to mono mode with xHE HLS stream
- HLS encoder: AAC-LC (e.g. 192kbit/s) was not working with Safari as decoder
- Enhanced compatibility of the Icecast decoder to TCP-only streams (without Icecast information)
- File playback startup of huge CBR MP3 files may take several seconds
- Changing e. g. a file input source used by an encoder (changing the configured file) lets the encoder stop encoding
- With the optional FM/Multiband tuner it was possible to enter frequencies with 10 kHz accuracy. This accuracy was however not shown in the Overview and was rounded up to 100 kHz accuracy once leaving the edit dialog and re-entering it.
- Web interface font rendering on non-Windows devices was suboptimal, showing some visual glitches – now it should be more or less equally on all devices

Known bugs

- n/a



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Fixed Issues

- MPEG TS decoder: further enhancements to private data decoding
- Ember+: added support for "subscribe" mode
- SNMP: SRT connectionState could return undefined value
- PHP error messages on TS/IP and TS/SRT input source tabs in case TS decoder license is missing
- Link to ASI configuration page was broken on TS Multiplexer page / Multiplexer Outputs / ASI Output

Version 2.10

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New Functionality

- Completely revised ancillary data handling for full flexibility
The fixed linkage between ancillary inputs/outputs and corresponding audio inputs/outputs is entirely removed. Instead a variable number of UDP ancillary inputs/outputs can be configured besides the available DTE inputs/outputs.
When configuring the Encoders on the Codec page, each configured audio input source can be accompanied by one of the ancillary input sources to be encoded together using the given profile. In that way the ancillary input sources are no longer limited to the physical XLR audio input sources, but can now be used together with any audio input source, e. g. Livewire, AES67 or Icecast. In addition there's a special "Pipe" ancillary input selection for the Encoder. Using the Pipe mode the ancillary data of the audio input source (including possible GPI Forwarding) will be preserved and transcoded together with the audio. Moreover there's a new "Ancillary Output" tab on the Codec page allowing to configure freely the input sources to use for the available ancillary outputs (DTE and UDP). When using one of the "Audio Output" input sources (that's the default), the ancillary data coming from the input sources configured on the Decoder tab including the backup switching will get used.
- Ancillary data and GPI Forwarding state available on Overview page
If ancillary data or GPI Forwarding information is contained in an input source, the Audio info blocks on the Overview page will allow to inspect that data. This is especially useful in a transcoding setup, where the ancillary data would otherwise not be available for examination.
- TS private data output
It's now possible to configure private data only TS Demux input sources (without the need to configure an audio PID). These "data only" sources can be used on the new "Ancillary Output" tab.
- Optional audio PID removal from TS Multiplexer in case of audio input loss (to e. g. trigger external backup)
- Added NMOS support (Networked Media Open Specifications, <https://specs.amwa.tv/nmos/>)
The NMOS support can be enabled on the new "External APIs" page, which summarizes the configuration of the external APIs SNMP, Ember+ and NMOS.



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- AES67 inputs/outputs can now optionally replace the physical XLR inputs/outputs, e.g. for SIP
- The optional AES67 input stream can also be a Multichannel input stream – it's possible to select the channel(s) to use from it
- Added audio output buffer level alarm (to get e. g. a fast relay alarm before the audio buffer runs empty and trigger thereby an external backup)
- Added audio error count alarm (to get an event log entry in case the audio error counter increases)
- Added new ancillary input and output alarms for the dedicated inputs and outputs
- Added ancillary data decoding support to Icecast input sources
- Added the possibility to bind the optional syslog output to a certain interface
- Added optional support for ASI input (available with the satellite tuner or standalone)
- Enhanced optional MPE encoding capability of TS Multiplexer to support RTP, too
- Added xHE-AAC support to optional HLS encoder
- In case external clock synchronization is active, the transcoding elementary stream output of an unsynchronized RTP stream used as encoder input source can now be synchronized to the external clock (activate the "Synchronous Playout" switch in the RTP elementary stream output settings)

Changed functionality

- RIST: the additional bandwidth used by the RIST encoder can be limited now
- Increased compatibility to not RFC2250 standard compliant MPEG audio streams (e. g. from Telos iPort)
- SAP is now also available with the Livewire license and no longer limited to the Ravenna license
- NTP is now enabled per default (with "pool.ntp.org")

Fixed Issues

- A memory leak caused a reboot of the device after a few hours up to a few days in case PTP clock synchronization was enabled
- SAT input sources didn't work as encoder input only (they only worked, if they were additionally used for the audio outputs)
- In SAT transcoding setup, the Overview page didn't show the original audio input status, but only the output (transcoding) status
- TS/Demux: fetching the service list could sometimes fail to get all service names
- When starting up in reduced channel count mode (to enable Analog input/output usage in case more than 2 channels are licensed), switching back to "Digital only" did not directly work and a reboot was required
- Livewire source select was wrong in Livewire input source configuration dialog
- Livewire was always able to set GPO without respecting switch source setting
- Changing the manual decoder config of a TS/Demux source did not trigger a reconfiguration
- Fixed a crash when changing the TS/IP input source used by a Demux source in MPE mode
- Audio Output as TS input source did not show its levels in the payload info block on the TS Multiplexer overview page
- When only the port of an elementary stream output was changed, the SAP/SDP announcement wasn't updated
- MPEG TS encoder: improved compatibility to certain decoders (PTS offset reduced)



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- MPEG TS decoder: private data encapsulated as ES (without PES) wasn't decoded
- TS/SAT configuration: wrong display of SAT Low/High band in case of transponder frequency input
- display problem with umlauts etc. in service name of TS/Demux sources in config list
- SAP information wasn't updated on external clock configuration change
- SIP: Support of mobile VoIP devices which don't handle SIP correctly
- SIP: status information for SNMP improved and enhanced
- SIP: Invalid SIP number shown in log if SIP call failed
- SIP: RE-INVITES improved (<https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc3581#section-3> is now implemented correctly)
- ASI output was disturbed when only an encoder profile was changed
- The optional SIRC Data Channel was included in the TS only every 2nd time on TS Multiplexer changes

Known bugs

- The link to the ASI output configuration on the TS Multiplexer page is broken. The new menu entry is Interface Settings→AUX.
- Codec page: some PHP error messages will get shown on the TS/IP and TS/SRT input source tabs, when the TS_Decoder license is missing



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New Functionality

- Added syslog support (event log entries can be forwarded to up to three syslog servers)
- Added VLAN support to Icecast source client and Icecast server encoder output
- Added HTTPS support for Icecast input via proxy server
- Added optional MPE encoding capability to TS Multiplexer
- Added optional ADTS (MPEG-2) TS transport format support for HE-AAC and HE-AACv2

Changed functionality

- Increased possible maximum global delay to 10 seconds (only possible with NTP based synchronized playout)

Fixed Issues

- Fix problems with Icecast input via proxy server
- SPN/SFN/Stream4Sure did not work with AES67 as audio input, but only with the XLR hardware audio inputs
- Elementary Stream output in DualStreaming setup caused collapsed packet rate, when one of the interfaces was DOWN or several outputs did configure RIST or send delay
- SIP: re-registration sometimes failed if SIP server response with internal errors
- SIP: possible crash on TCP connection attempts via e. g. port scans
- SIP: Calls failed sometimes belonging to invalid DNS server requests and SIP registrar timeout handling
- SIP: calls improved (INVITE response message 200 from remote agent were not always answered with an ACK)
- SNMP/Ember+ status information for SIP and TS input sources improved
- SNMP: sysObjectID (.1.3.6.1.2.1.1.2) was always answered with .1.3.6.1.4.1.21529 (twowcom), no matter which device it is. It does now indicate the device in use.
- Audio output input sources were shown with a wrong name in the encoder list on the TS Multiplexer page
- Output gain adjustments were not taken into account for the output level values shown on the Overview page
- Added possibility to download the user manual from within the web interface (if the device has access to the internet)
- Improved "Check for updates" functionality from within the web interface

Known bugs

- n/a



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Version 2.07.2

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New Functionality

- Added separate SIP status info block on Overview page in addition to normal IP info block for SIP input sources

Fixed Issues

- PTP alarm did not work
- Left channel level on Overview page info blocks might show empty level instead of -240.0 dBFS
- Easy2Connect: Don't show tabs for assigned, but disabled SIP input sources

Version 2.07.1

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Fixed Issues

- NTP was not available as external clock source if neither the Ravenna nor the SFN license were present
This was of course not the intended behaviour, as NTP based synchronized playout is now a base feature of the IP-4c.
- PTP was not available as external clock source if the Livewire license is present, but the Ravenna license is missing

Version 2.07

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New Functionality

- New TS Demux configuration option via service selection
Instead of having to enter the audio PID manually, you can now switch to the new configuration mode "Service from list (fixed PID)". It will show a list of all available unscrambled audio services in the chosen TS source and a sub selection of the audio PIDs belonging to that service (some services carry more than one audio PID). If the service list is not yet available (the TS source is not yet configured for any decoder or encoder) there's a refresh button next to the service list, which will temporarily configure the chosen TS source (tune in case of SAT source) and collects the service information.
This new additional configuration option via service list is also added to the Private Data decoding.
Limitation: To not interrupt an already configured TS decoding, it will not be possible to get the service list of a SAT source, which is using the same RF input as the already configured and used TS source. So if you want to get the service lists of several SAT transponders (SAT/TS sources) you should fetch the service lists prior to configure one of that TS/Demux sources for one of the Decoders or Encoders.



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- New TS Demux configuration option “Service from list (auto PID)”
In contrast to the above explained new configuration mode “Service from list (fixed PID)” the “auto PID” mode will also show a list of unscrambled audio services to select from by service name, but will not allow to configure/select the audio PID belonging to that service. The device will automatically choose the first available audio PID belonging to that service and will automatically follow any audio PID change that is announced via the PMT. That’s useful for services which change the audio PID for a certain time slot during the day, e. g. for a slot with a different language.
- New TS Demux private data configuration option via service selection
Corresponding to the new audio configuration via service selection it is now also possible to configure the private data PID via a selection from a list of available services carrying private data.
- NTP based synchronized playout
A synchronized playout can now be achieved via NTP as a base feature. “Synchronized playout” means, that every decoder decoding the same encoder signal will playout the audio at the same time, no matter of different network delays. Formerly it was only possible based on 1PPS or PTP and linked to the optional SFN license/right. Please note that the accuracy, that can be achieved via NTP, is of course inferior to the one based on 1PPS or PTP and will be in the range of 10 to 20 milliseconds, depending on the accuracy of the NTP server, whereas the accuracy via 1PPS or PTP is in the range of some microseconds.
- Backup configuration for the external clock
It’s now possible to configure two backup external clock sources besides the main external clock source together with corresponding switch criterias. NTP is added as a possible source (besides 1PPS and PTP).
- Support for bit transparent transport of 32bit AES3 signals according to Ravenna AM824 / SMPTE ST 2110-31
- Added Ancillary Data timeout alarm (for both input and output)
- Added AES3 CRC error alarm
- Added TLS/SSL support for optional HLS encoding
- Added TLS/SSL support for Icecast client (allowing to receive streams via HTTPS)
- Added TLS/SSL support to Icecast server encoder output
- Added support for burst on connect to Icecast server encoder output
- Added proxy server configuration for Icecast input streams (on TCP/IP page)
- Added VLAN support to PTP interface configuration
- Added stream/connection uptime information to Elementary Stream and SIP info block on Overview page

Changed functionality

- Increased the number of possible presets per input source type from 16 to 64
- For TS/Demux sources the name shown in the Source Assignment section and on the Overview is no longer the name of the TS source, but either the service name or the TS/Demux name (if in Manual mode)
- Rework of the TS service list on the Overview page
It will now show a lock symbol for scrambled services and we added symbols to better differentiate audio, video and other streams.
- When hovering over a TS/Demux source with the mouse cursor, the associated TS source is now highlighted (the other way around – hovering over a TS source and highlighting associated TS/Demux sources – did already work)



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- Icecast server output streams now use the given name of the output settings as stream name (icy-name) instead of the fixed icy-name "2wcom Live Stream"
- The metadata (StreamTitle) used for the Icecast server output streams can now be set via the external APIs, e. g. SNMP (where it is the node virtCslAudioEncoderOutputsIcecastMetastr, OID .1.3.6.1.4.1.21529.1001.35.2.3.18.20.319.4096.1.5)
- The optional 192 kHz decoder output does no longer require a 1PPS or PTP external clock signal to work properly
- Removed the need to enable ancillary data usage for XLR inputs (actually there's no need for it – the usage can still be enabled/disabled via the profile)

Fixed Issues

- Elementary Stream decoding may exhibit audio errors even when no IP streaming issues did occur due to accidentally internal Stream4Sure activation
- Elementary Stream decoding in DualStreaming mode may exhibit audio errors even if the combined stream has no errors
- Fixed a problem with 44.1 kHz upsampling to 48 kHz (e. g. a 44.1 kHz input source played out at an output configured to have 48 kHz sample rate)
- RIST decoder accuracy improved - sometimes RIST requested packets unnecessarily
- MPEG TS decoder: fixed several issues with not decodable Layer 2 audio streams and audio decoding not starting after configuration changes (needing Decoder Off/On cycle to start up)
- MPEG TS decoder: when changing the audio PID to decode of a TS/Demux source, the change will not get active directly (needing Decoder Off/On cycle to get active)
- MPEG TS decoder: changing the RF input of a SAT source was not applied instantly (needing Decoder Off/On cycle to get active)
- MPEG TS decoder: fixed some MPE reconfiguration problems in TS/Demux sources instantly (needing Decoder Off/On cycle to get active)
- MPEG TS decoder: improved character table support for e. g. service names
- Fixed a possible crash when changing the configuration of a SAT/TS input source and afterwards a TS/Demux source, which is using that SAT/TS source
- When deleting a TS/Demux source, the corresponding TS source delete button was not re-enabled
- SIP: Enhanced OPUS compatibility
- Incoming SIP calls for eSIP trunks fixed
- 'keep-alive' detection for optional HLS encoding
- Audio distortion in Mono (Downmix) mode for signals greater -6 dBFS
- Headphone output not working correctly with 44.1kHz audio
- Elementary Stream configuration dialog: The list of available streams via Ravenna/SAP is sometimes wrong
- Elementary Stream configuration dialog: When copying the settings of an available stream (announced via Ravenna/SAP), the Save button won't get active

Known bugs

- n/a



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Version 2.06

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New Functionality

- Added support for SNMPv3
- Added support for PTP Unicast
- Added optional HLS encoding capability
- Added Unrecovered counter to RIST info block for the Overview
- Added BER value to SAT Tuner info block for the Overview
- Rx (Receive) and Tx (Transmit) bitrates added to LCD status screen

Changed functionality

- Rework of the System Settings / User web page
- When the transponder input frequency method is used in the SAT configuration dialog, it's no longer necessary to configure the frequency range (Low Band / High Band)

Fixed Issues

- MPEG TS decoder: fixed a possible memory leak (in case of PIDs referenced by multiple programs), resulting in a crash of the device after some time
- AAC decoding in MPEG TS did impose an audio delay of 2 to 3 seconds
- Lost packet counter for RTCP receiver reports (shown in the Encoder details on the Overview page) improved (negative value could occur in case of duplicate packets)
- In DualStreaming Elementary Stream setup, only the send delay of the first stream was shown on the Codec and the Overview page
- Increased disconnect/reconnect timeout for SRT connections in caller mode with no audio from 5 to 30 seconds
- DNS and Gateway entries in the TCP/IP settings couldn't get deleted by entering 0.0.0.0

Known bugs

- n/a



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Version 2.05.1

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Fixed Issues

- The switchable audio device mode did not work correctly – in Analog/Digital mode it did not allow to switch the signal type for the audio inputs

Version 2.05

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New Functionality

- Cold backups
Backup input sources can now be set to “Active when needed” instead of being always active as it was the case until now.
With e. g. Icecast input sources the server connection will only be established, when the backup is really needed, meaning superior input sources did fail, thereby not unnecessarily eating up e. g. possibly limited LTE volume.
- Switchable audio device mode
If you have more than 2 channels licensed, until now the device turned into a Digital only device, meaning the audio inputs and outputs can no longer be switched to Analog mode.
For such a device you now have the option to switch to Analog/Digital mode. You will thereby reduce the useable channel count to 2, allowing to configure only two audio outputs and four encoders, but you will regain the possibility to switch the inputs and outputs to Analog mode.
- Configurable maximum payload size for Elementary Streams, increasing the number of packets per second (to e. g. reduce the latency implied by FEC usage)
- Rx (Receive) and Tx (Transmit) bitrates added to Overview page (per interface)
- Optional support for SIRC (Satellite In-Band Remote Control)
- MPEG TS encoder: selectable mode for private data insertion (ES - stream type 0x89 or UECP/RDS – stream type 0x80)
- RIST support added to SIP
- Configuration option for the stream ID added to SRT caller mode
- Configuration option for maximum reorder tolerance added to SRT input sources
- Web Login/Logout actions are now logged in the EventLog
- When the connection to the device is interrupted, a dialog will pop up

Changed functionality

- FEC encoder: setting the column port offset to 0 will now enable a row only FEC
- In RTP DualStreaming setup (without FEC), the Missed counter of the first stream was in fact the overall missed counter (after combining the two streams). This is corrected – that Missed counter will now reflect



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the missed packets of only the first stream. Instead there's a new block "Dual streaming" showing the Unrecovered/Missed counter of the combined streams.

- In RTP DualStreaming setup (without FEC), the PER (packet error rate) of the first stream was in fact the overall PER (after combining the two streams). This is corrected – that PER value will now reflect the PER of only the first stream. Instead the overall PER is now shown in the new "Dual streaming" block.
- In RTP setup with FEC, the Missed counter did not reflect the missed packets of the audio stream, but the number of packets not available after FEC correction (it was identical to the Unrecovered counter in the FEC block). This is corrected – the Missed counter will now reflect the missed packets of the audio stream (without FEC correction).
- In RTP setup with FEC, the PER did reflect the overall PER after FEC correction and not just the one of the audio stream. This is corrected – that PER value will now reflect the PER of only the audio stream. Instead the overall PER is now added to the "FEC" block.

Fixed Issues

- PTPv2 support was accidentally broken since firmware V2.03 (seldom audio dropouts)
- Livewire Routing Protocol (LWRP) was broken since firmware V2.00
- Ancillary data decoding in MP3 did not work
- PCM 24 bit elementary streams with ancillary data and FEC could cause audio distortions
- A crash could happen when using an encoder send delay for RTP streams together with PCM or Opus encoded data, which has ancillary data and/or GPIO Forwarding active
- Automatic reconnect in SRT input source caller mode, when no audio packets are received for some time
- SRT bitrate gauge did not show the current bitrate, but a mean value over the whole connection period
- PER calculation failed for SRT connections (resulting in always being 0.0% PER)
- Jitter measurement for first RTP stream in DualStreaming setup was wrong
- Elementary stream decoding may fail to start up correctly when a higher jitter is present (the dejitter buffer level is 0 and the audio buffer will not build up).
- SIP: Possible audio distortion a few seconds after the connection is established when connecting between two 2wcom 4audio devices
- SIP: Receiver reports were not shown on the Overview on callee side
- RIST info on Overview page was missing for TS/IP input sources
- RIST info on Overview page was wrong for input sources: the Requested counter did show the number of retransmitted packets and the Retransmitted counter was always 0
- SNMP node virtCslAudioDecoderInputsourcesRtpStatusFecunrecoveredcnt (OID .1.3.6.1.4.1.21529.1001.35.2.3.4.5.10.37.4096.1.23) was wrong and did not reflect the unrecoverable packets after FEC (but did reflect the number of internal FEC errors)
- MPEG TS decoder improved for high number of audio frames per PES
- MPEG TS encoder: SRT output didn't work if the entry was copied (only the first one did work)
- MPEG TS encoder: RTP output did not allow to select Ctrl interface, even if it was enabled for streaming via Services menu
- After pressing "Save" on the Ancillary Data configuration page, the embedding of ancillary data into a private TS PID did not work any more



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- Decoder Streaming Input alarm shows yellow led, even if only Main source is configured and faulty (which should result in a red led)
- Distortions on headphone output
- The audio output may stuck completely in very rare cases, which could only be recovered by rebooting the device
- Ctrl interface was not selectable for ancillary output even if enabled via Services menu
- Ctrl interface was not selectable for TS Multiplexer outputs even if enabled via Services menu
- SIP Phonebook: buttons did not work in newly added entries
- The table height of the event table on the Log page is now automatically the max. window height

Known bugs

- With PTPv2 it's still possible, that a small buffer drift does occur (around 1-2 ms per day). Currently under investigation
- Disable and enable an encoder stream (which is using SFN or external clock activated for audio output) within 10 seconds could lead into audio errors on decoder. Fixed in 2.06, workaround: reboot decoder or disable encoder for at least 10 seconds and enable it again.



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Version 2.04

07.06.2021

New Functionality

- Finally added full (optional) Stream4Sure functionality (compatible to MM01 and MM08E)
- The audio outputs can now be used as regular input sources. When used by an Encoder, you can thereby benefit from the backup switching mechanism of the audio outputs, configured on the Decoder tab of the Codec page. This is especially useful if you don't need the audio output(s) itself, but are in need for a backup mechanism for the Encoder input source(s).
- You can configure meaningful names for the audio outputs.
- Added RIST (Reliable Internet Stream Transport, <https://www.rist.tv/>) support as an alternative to the already supported SRT protocol for a more standard based (RTP and SMPTE-2022) option to reliably transport your audio while being fully interoperable with standard RTP.
We currently support the RIST Simple Profile, which in contrast to SRT already supports multicast, but on the other hand does not support encryption like SRT does.
RIST will not require a new license, but will automatically be available if you have the SRT Encoder/Decoder license.
- Added VLAN support to the Ctrl interface

Changed functionality

- n/a

Fixed Issues

- MPEG TS encoder improved for input sources with a higher jitter
- MPEG TS encoder: External PCR will be signalled as "PCR" and not as "PES Priv. Data"
- MPEG TS encoder: improved compatibility with some decoders (TS stuffing bytes handling)
- Improved transcoding from MPEG TS to MPEG TS
- FEC encoder improved for RFC3640 and RFC4598, RFC4184 (marker bit, Dolby and MPEG4 AAC). The problem could manifest on decoder side as audio buffer running empty with AAC encoding and FEC enabled.
- The device could crash when switching the RF Input for a satellite input source
- New NTP status page is OK now, even if the device has no Ravenna or SFN license
- In SFN mode, LiveListening of an audio output was distorted
- When toggling the selected TS Multiplex on the Overview page, the output table did not update correspondingly
- For a newly added TS Multiplex, the "Auto-calculate required TS bit rate" toggle switch did not work (did not show the Bit rate input field in case "Auto-calculate" was switched off)

Known bugs

- n/a



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Version 2.03

10.05.2021

Important!

- This update recommends an updated recovery system. Please update the device using the file **recovery_2.00.upd**. A reboot of the device is not necessary.

New Functionality

- Ancillary Data input and output does support now input and output via UDP, too
- A double click on a row in the Profiles, Input Sources or Encoder Outputs table will open the corresponding Edit dialog
- New Ancillary Data status page
- New Services configuration, allowing to enable/disable HTTP, HTTPS, SFTP, SNMP and Streaming Data access/usage for each network interface (including VLANs).
This does also mean, that you can now grant access to HTTP(S) or SNMP via the Data interface – that's no longer limited to the Ctrl interface.
- The Ctrl interface can now also be used for Streaming Data like input source and encoder outputs (has to be enabled via the new Services configuration)
- New TCP/IP configuration page, allowing up to 10 VLANs for Data1 and Data2. Gateways can now be configured for VLANs, too.
- Added source specific multicast configuration to Elementary Streams dialog
- Added NTP status page

Changed functionality

- Ancillary Data handling
The Ancillary Data handling setup has changed. Formerly the configuration (should DTE input be used in conjunction with an audio input / should DTE output be used to put out the Ancillary Data received via an Input Source) was done as part of the Input Source configuration dialogs.
To clean this up and to add UDP support, the configuration for the Ancillary Data handling was moved to a new Ancillary Data menu item.
- New NTP implementation (allowing up to four servers to be configured), giving higher precision
- Several packages have been updated (see OSA – Open Source Acknowledgment – on the Global page) to fix e. g. security issues

Fixed Issues

- FEC Encoder now supports the maximum of 64 elementary output streams
- Encoder Outputs: it was not possible to have more than 16 encoder outputs for the same encoder (now all 64 encoder outputs can have the same encoder source)
- MPEG TS Encoder: Bit rate overhead reduced
- MPEG TS Encoder improved for ancillary data in private PID



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- MPEG TS Decoder crash fixed on special EIT tables and large SDT tables
- Deleting all payloads of a service did not work - after page reload one service is kept
- The device could crash when starting or stopping RTP output streams
- Removed obsolete MPEG TS Packetizing format from Multiplexer settings
- When deactivating encoder and decoder input sources at the same time via the web interface, the device could crash
- Wrong analogue level display in web interface in cases where the device is digital only
- Added missing interface and VLAN info to input sources and encoder output on Overview page
- Inactive SAVE button in the Livewire+ dialog after changing only the LW source
- Added audio buffer configuration for Livewire+ input source

Known bugs

- The new NTP status page does only work, if the device has the Ravenna or SFN license



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Version 2.01

10.03.2021

New Functionality

- Icecast Server Encoder Output added
In addition to the Icecast Source Client Encoder Output it's now also possible to enable an Icecast Server as an encoder output. Each Icecast Server will allow a maximum of 5 client connections.
- DSCP configuration for Elementary Stream Encoder Output added

Changed functionality

- The configuration for the usage of an external clock source (1PPS, PTP) has been changed. In former firmware versions the usage of the external clock source had to be enabled for the specific input sources (Audio Input for the audio inputs, Elementary Stream Input for the audio outputs).
As this led to some confusion, the configuration has been re-designed.
The usage of the internal or external clock source is now configured on the Audio/XLR page, as the clock source is in fact a characteristic of the audio inputs and/or audio outputs.
The new reference input selection introduced in firmware V2.00 will be (once enabled) the clock source master, therefore not allowing the selection between internal or external (1PPS, PTP) clock source.

Fixed Issues

- PSU alarms were not available (since firmware V2.00)
- Fixed a crash when changing the interface of an active SRT input source
- After device boot/reboot, some input sources may not start up correctly, when DHCP is used on the Data interfaces. The input source itself will work, but no audio is decoded / played out
- SRT input sources will now (again) be able to follow an SRT encoder, which does encode a file (this was broken in firmware V2.00)
- MPEG TS Encoder: PCR insertion improved for streams in "Low bitrate overhead" mode
- The Jitter information for the redundant part of an RTP output stream was wrong
- Improved Livewire compatibility (e. g. to Omnia One)
- The "Reset Counters" button on the Overview page did not reset the RTP output statistics for a redundant stream
- The "Reset Counters" button on the Overview page did sometimes not reset the FEC decoder status



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Version 2.00

09.02.2021

New Functionality

- Reference Input: the audio clock control does now allow to configure one of the audio inputs to act as the reference input (clock source) for the outputs (or other inputs)
- Added missing separate status information (via SNMP/Ember+) for all input sources types and all encoder output types
- Configuration of VLAN added for Livewire input sources
- Configuration of the dejitter buffer level added for Livewire input sources
- Added No Input Data alarm for streaming inputs
- SDP files can be downloaded for the output streams
- MPEG TS Encoder: allow referencing an external PCR (earlier firmware versions always used one of the audio streams for the PCR)

Fixed Issues

- PSU alarms are not available, if the device is equipped with hot swappable power supplies
- The (SAT)TS-Bitrate was no longer valid, but always displayed as 0
- TS Sync and C/N switch criteria for SAT(TS) input sources did not work
- IP input source status information was accessible using the decoder index (audio output index / decoder rank) via SNMP/Ember+. Therefore it was not possible to get IP status information, if the input source is only used for an encoder.
Now the index to use is the virtual input source index, following the visual order in the web
- Ancillary data output stopped working after switching to a backup source and didn't recover even if the main source is available again, but all input sources had to be disabled and enabled to get it working again
- DTE Ancillary input data is not routed to DTE output, if corresponding Audio Input is used as input source in the Decoder (Audio Output)
- SRT decoder was not restarted if the configured profile to use has been changed
- Activating NTP time synchronization does cause an audio glitch at synchronization time when using SRT
- Icecast Source Client encoder output did not allow to configure ports below 1024, but sometimes port 80 is used, so now every port starting with 1 is allowed
- Icecast Source Client did not work with AAC codecs
- MPEG TS Encoder: Optimized IP packet size for low bitrate
- SNMP Trap status binding delivers wrong value
- In rare cases the device may crash when changing the input source



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Changed behavior

- **SNMP Traps: ATTENTION** – the old SNMP traps are no longer available!
We made a move from device specific traps to general traps if applicable.
Example:
notificationVirtIp4cDeviceStatusMonitoringSilenceaudio1in (OID .1.3.6.1.4.1.21529.1001.0.7)
is now available as
notificationVirtCslMonitoringStatusAudioInputsXlrsilencedetection
(OID .1.3.6.1.4.1.21529.1001.0.1098907649)
Please note however, that in contrast to the traps the old status information, which can be polled, is still available, e.g. virtIp4cDeviceStatusMonitoringSilenceaudio1in (OID .1.3.6.1.4.1.21529.1001.35.1.23.37.57.7).
This old information is however marked as Obsolete in the SNMP MIB, as in the future only the new status information will be available
(e.g. virtCslMonitoringStatusAudioInputsXlrsilencedetection, OID .1.3.6.1.4.1.21529.1001.35.2.57.37.3.313.4096.1.1)

Known bugs

- **None**



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Version 1.31.4

11.12.2020

New Functionality

- None

Fixed Issues

- HTTPS web access to DATA1 and DATA2 disabled
- SFTP upload files cannot be saved

Known bugs

- PTP synchronization incorrect after reset (turn off, turn on)
Workaround: Reboot the device after configuring your PTP setup
- When using SAP all multicast parameters are set correctly, but the audio parameters are not used from the session description.
Workaround: setup the audio parameters manually when you configure the reception of an SAP announced stream.



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Version 1.31.3

30.11.2020

New Functionality

- None

Fixed Issues

- Fixed a routing problem when Ctrl and Data 1 or Data 2 were in the same subnet. This issue could result in the traffic being sent over the gateway instead of the subnet. Depending on the network setup this could cause unreachable devices.

Known bugs

- PTP synchronization incorrect after reset (turn off, turn on)
Workaround: Reboot the device after configuring your PTP setup
- When using SAP all multicast parameters are set correctly, but the audio parameters are not used from the session description.
Workaround: setup the audio parameters manually when you configure the reception of a SAP announced stream.



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Version 1.31.2

05.11.2020

New Functionality

- None

Fixed Issues

- Device not reachable because of wrong or missing gateway
- IP VLAN changes are not updated after configuration - only after reboot
- Redundancy stream handling in SFN mode improved
- Headphone output did not work in SFN mode
- Enhanced compatibility to some special Icecast streams

Known bugs

- None



IP-4c Release Notes

Version 1.31.1

05.11.2020

New Functionality

- None

Fixed Issues

- Log page shows error message about wrong localtime
- Device not reachable because of missing gateway. Has been fixed by changing DHCP metrics.
- Ravenna compatibility problems (e.g. to Lawo devices)

Known bugs

- None



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Version 1.31

28.10.2020

New Functionality

- Web Interface: Profiles are now moved to a separate tab, separated from the Input Sources

Fixed Issues

- Audio output may stop after several days or weeks (although input source(s) are still running)
- A network configuration using different gateways for the different interfaces (CTRL, DATA1, DATA2) did not work properly (policy based routing)
- Web interface is not available in seldom cases after a reboot (if DHCP is used for the CTRL interface)
- PSU failure alarm may produce false positive alarms
- "AES/EBU No signal" alarm did not work
- TS Decoder: audio decoding stops after changing demux configuration in MPTS setup
- SIP: Re-dial active connection after reboot if reconnect is enabled
- SFN mode: output disturbed in DualStreaming setup, if only redundant stream is received
- Web interface / Codec: VLAN may be set to 0 instead of right value in edit dialog
- VLAN may get set unintentionally, if interface is changed from one with VLAN to one without VLAN
- Web Interface: Overview page is empty (more or less), when logged in as user
- TS Encoder: enhanced ATSC compliance

Known bugs

- None



IP-4c Release Notes

Version 1.30

15.09.2020

New Functionality

- TS Encoder: added configuration possibility for the encoding standard (DVB/ATSC) and language codes
- On the TS Multiplexer web page, changes done are monitored now, too and the Save buttons will only get enabled when changes are present. Faulty values are not allowed to be saved.
- Added configuration possibility (on Audio XLR page) for the critical level marker threshold for the level meters on the overview page (threshold/level, at which the level will be shown as orange instead of green)
- PTPv2 support is now fully functional (provided the Ravenna license is present)
- Added support for the optional FM Dualtuner module

Fixed Issues

- SAP service behavior on DHCP changes improved; sometime SAP was not available after changing the network interface to DHCP
- RTP jitter buffer performance and accuracy improved PSU failure alarm may produce false positive alarms
- Problems with MP3 VBR decoding
- Wrong RTP timestamps for G.722 encoding
- Ancillary data output not working in case of SRT input source
- Ancillary data not working with E-aPTX and 32 kHz sample rate
- DHCP leases and TCP/IP reconfiguration improved

Known bugs

- none