

Update on Tools to Support On-Site Inspection Equipment Calibration, Maintenance and Protection



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Tools are required to facilitate the calibration, maintenance and protection of deployable OSI equipment A software application (EIMO), physical devices and procedures have been introduced to meet the requirement that OSI equipment have been calibrated, maintained and protected

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Software tools guide technical staff of the Commission through data entry and maintenance tasks. Similar interfaces support surrogate inspectors during deployment

OSI surrogate inspectors have been trained in these tools and procedure. These tools will be used during the OSI Direct Exercises in September 2023

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Introduction: Tools to support on-site inspection equipment calibration, maintenance and protection

Tools to record and facilitate the calibration, maintenance and protection of deployable OSI equipment are necessary to meet the requirements of Para.38, Part II. Protocol to the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty...

> When required for an on-site inspection, the Technical Secretariat shall duly certify that the equipment has been calibrated, maintained and protected...

These tools are required at HQ/TeST Centre for regular activities but also at every phase of an inspection and also at different locations during the course of an inspection. Tools therefore need to be portable, robust and intuitive.

HQ/TeST Centre



Use: regular activities incl. maintenance, storage, sealing etc

Launch Phase



Use: select equipment configurations for deployment, generate shipping paperwork etc



Use: verify seals, equipment serial numbers etc.

Point of Entry/Exit Base of Operations



Use: Interact with GIMO for field team resourcing, maintenance of equipment in the joint area etc

Field



Use: list FT equipment, record equipment left in the field etc



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In 2021, a poster was presented at SnT that presented EIMO - the equipment and instrumentation management system for OSI. This poster provides an update to that poster and considers the broader issue of equipment maintenance, calibration and protection through both software applications and physical tools.





In 2021, an oral presentation at SnT presented the development of the first comprehensive draft list of equipment for use during OSIs, which was followed in 2022 with a Workshop on the List. Changes proposed in Workshop 25 to item references are gradually being updated in EIMO.

As well as enhancements to the EIMO application, this poster will present new physical tools to ensure protection of OSI deployable items, this includes the use of a key cabinet with 2 factor authentication.





The poster will also cover efforts to develop outputs that will accelerate the generation of shipping paperwork for an OSI and container content lists.



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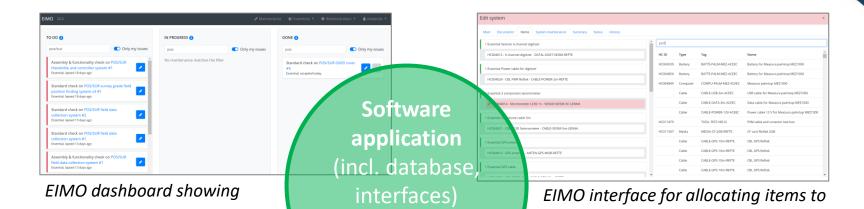




Methods: Developing a system to record and disseminate information related to equipment calibration, maintenance and protection

An effective system to record and disseminate information related to equipment calibration, maintenance and protection must incorporate **three** elements:

- A system for data entry and data display (i.e., software application – EIMO),
- Physical devices to enhance protection, sealing etc.,
- Human resources to perform data entry, maintain and calibrate equipment. (Includes surrogate inspectors).



Hardware (seals, key cabinet, RFID tags and gates, printers)

Seals added to containers

are recorded in EIMO

Human
resources
(Data entry,
maintenance,
QC etc)

EIMO practical as part of Directed Exercise Training, 2023



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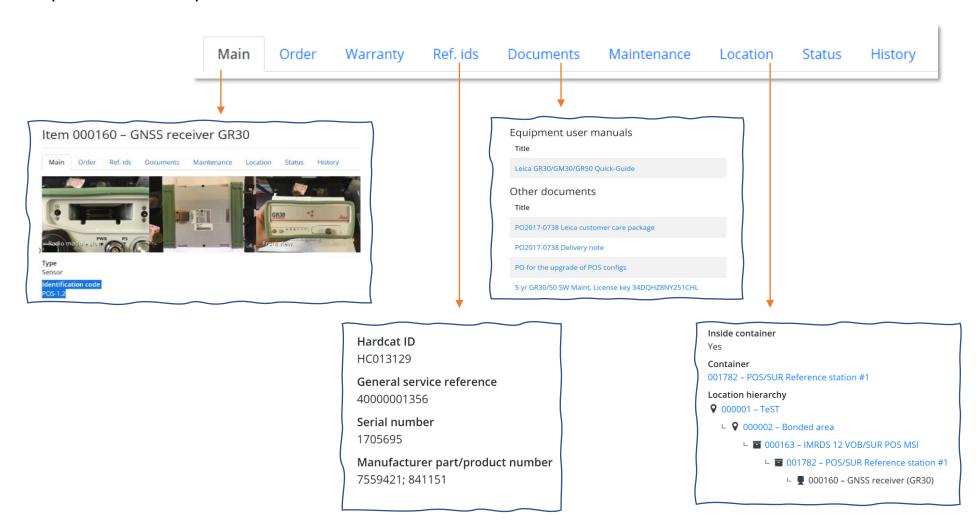
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Results: Viewing information related to items

The EIMO interface is designed to be as intuitive as possible while providing all the desired functionality. The screenshots below provide an example of the information for one item.

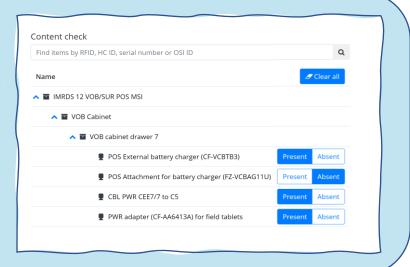






Results: Tools to support maintenance & system completeness

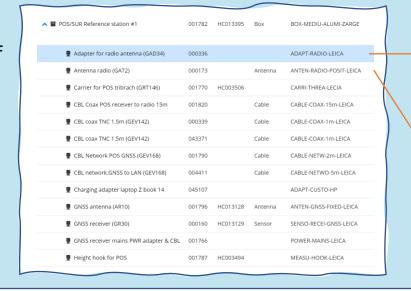
Each item/system in EIMO has a maintenance schedule. Technical officers are guided through a number of checks that they need to perform based on the type of maintenance





At the end of maintenance there is a record of whether it is fit-for-use. If not, the system is not available for deployment

Fach 'essential' item of a system is equally weighted, which means that each item needs to be registered in EIMO and allocated to a system.







Each item in the system has its own entry, complete with photographs and detailed information irrespective of monetary value



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Conclusion: State of tools to support equipment calibration, maintenance and protection prior to OSI Directed Exercises 2023



Tools to Support On-Site Inspection equipment calibration, maintenance and protection involve a primary software application, EIMO, and a number of complimentary physical devices and accompanying procedures.



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EIMO itself is designed to record information related to inspection and support equipment. EIMO functionality has been expanded and now delivers outputs to accelerate the generation of shipping paperwork. EIMO is fully compatible with RFID tags and readers and functionalities have been developed to instantly track movement of items through RFID gate.

OSI surrogate inspectors have been trained on how to use EIMO in the context of an inspection. The EIMO application, together with associated physical security measures will be exercised during the OSI Direct Exercises scheduled for September 2023.





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