

Technical Approach for Es'hailSat Distribution

1. Content Sources & Signal Ingestion

For Es'hailSat, the process starts by integrating both Es'hailSat playout feeds and direct satellite feeds into our distribution system:

- Playout Feeds: Pre-packaged streams managed by Es'hailSat are ingested via IP inputs.
- Satellite Feeds: Raw signals are acquired using DVB-S2 downlinks, decrypted where necessary using Conditional Access Modules (CAMs).
- Ingestion Method: Channels are ingested as MPEG-2 SPTS over multicast IP using high-speed optical interfaces (1000BASE-LX and 10GBASE-LR). This ensures bandwidth efficiency and scalability.
- Multicast Optimization: Utilizes IGMPv3 (Source-Specific Multicast) to control data flow and minimize unnecessary bandwidth usage.





2. Content Processing Pipeline

Once ingested, the content is processed to prepare it for multi-platform distribution:

- Transcoding & Encoding: Streams are converted into adaptive bitrate profiles using H.264 and H.265 (HEVC) codecs, optimizing for both OTT and traditional broadcast networks.
- DRM Integration: We apply AES-128, AES-192, AES-256 or others according to agreements to secure content across devices.
- Stream Transport: Encapsulate streams in MPEG-2 transport over IP for efficient routing and delivery.



Achieving Secure and Efficient Content Distribution

3. Multicast Distribution & Data Center Connectivity

The processed content is then routed through our network of data centers to reach operators:

- Demarcation Points: Content exits our system through designated points, ensuring a clean handoff to partners or operators.
- Protocol Handling: Use PIM-SM (Protocol Independent Multicast Sparse Mode) for optimized multicast routing, ensuring low-latency distribution.
- Secure Interconnects: Implement BGP peering with MD5 authentication for secure data exchanges between data centers and partners.





Going through Data Centers, serve as distribution hubs, providing robust connectivity to European operators:

- Belgium / Brussels
- Finland / Helsinki
- France / Paris
- Germany / Frankfurt
- Netherlands / Hilversum
- Netherlands / Amsterdam
- Sweden / Stockholm
- United Kingdom / London
- United Kingdom / Salford



4. Partner Network & Final Delivery

Leveraging partners ensures efficient last-mile delivery to various operators:

- Last-Mile Distribution: Operators receive content seamlessly through a robust partner network, enabling distribution across OTT, IPTV, satellite, and mobile platforms.
- Traffic Isolation: VLAN tagging and Layer 2 segregation ensure that each operator receives a dedicated and secure stream.

Final Content Distribution Process



Content Distribution to Platforms

Supported by our network of established partners to reach end-users across the globe :



Conclusion

The approach for Es'hailSat involves a streamlined, secure pipeline from content ingestion to delivery, leveraging advanced multicast protocols, robust data center infrastructure, and established partner networks. This ensures efficient, reliable, and scalable content distribution tailored to Es'hailSat's requirements.