# SPI-300



# SETUP GUIDE FOR «MDI» xPSK-QAM TRANSMODULATORS

# DVB-S/S2 ► DVB-C



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## **1 - THE START SCREENS**

#### 1.1 - Module Basic Information

As explained in the Basic Handling guide supplied with the SPI-300, when you connect it to the module all data for identification, configuration and status of the module are loaded on the SPI-300. A detection screen appears for a short time, and next the display shows the Basic Information screen, which identifies the module and presents its most representative configuration and status data:

MDI-900	Alarm: No
F01.95	f01.15
Adq: 0	BER: 4.29E-5
	0K

These are the meanings of the expressions and data displayed:

- Name of the module.
- Alarm : Informs about the existence or not of module operating failures.
- F01.93 : Version of the main firmware of the module (the firmware is the software stored in the module that manages its basic running).
- f01.15: Firmware version of the internal FPGA device.
- Adq : "X" means that synchronization with the input signal is acquired. Absence of synchronization is signalled with "0".
- BER : Is the BER of the input signal channel.

The screen closes using the OK command (key O ). Then the Main Menu Screen appears.

### 1.2 - Main Menus

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#### GENERAL Menu

1	General	
2	Settings	
3	Info	
4	Language	SEL

The General menu is identical for all ClassA modules and the commands are the following:

1▶Detect 2 Send 3 Update ESC	•	SEL
4 Recall 5 Save 6 Factory Rese ESC •	t A	SEL
7 About ESC	•	SEL

• Detect: Runs the detection process of the connected module.

MDI-910	Alarma : No
F01.95	f01.15
Adq: X	BER: 4.29E-5
	OK

- Send: Establishes on the module the parameter values that have been modified.
- Update: This option does not apply to this model. The firmware update is performed only through the web interface (see manual www.ikusi.tv).
- Recall: Returns the configuration of the module previously created with the Save command. This menu is useful to quickly load repetitive data in multiple modules.
- Save: Saves the module configuration in the memory of the SPI-300 remote.

- Factory Reset: Restores all parameter values that were set up in the module when it left the factory
- About ... : Simply reports the firmware version of the SPI-300.



#### SETTINGS Menu

1 ► 2 3 4 5	Country Input Output TS Processing Conditional Access	
ESC		SEL

- Country: Must be selected to have the specific configurations operating in each country such as the ONID or LCN mode.
- Input: Select one of the input types available on the module.
- Output: This menu quickly accesses the output channel (default channel 21) and attenuation in COFDM mode.
- TS Processing : It must be selected to carry out the Transport Stream processing operations.
- Conditional Access : Through this section, access to operator services reception of the encrypted signal is obtained.

**INFO** Menu : Provides detailed information about the operation of the module, further on the one provided by the basic information screen (see previous page). Information is distributed in three screens, each one related to a menu option:

1 ► 2 3	Status Alarms Details	
ESC	SE	L

- Status : Informs about the module operating conditions.
  - □ Signal Acquired : Informs about the synchronization with the input signal. Affirmati-

ve answer is pointed out with "X" and negative answer with "0".

□ Modulator : Indicates whether the output COFDM modulator works correctly ("X") or not ("0").

 $\Box$  SI : It refers to DVB-SI (Service Information). Indicates whether the DVB signalling of the output transport stream is correct ("X") or incorrect ("0").

□ %Free": The number in the middle expresses the percentage of null PIDs (without information) that currently exists in the output transport stream; the higher is the number, the less overflow risk exists (in other words, less risk of loss of data). The numbers at the left and right are respectively the maximal and minimal values reached all through the period of operation of the module since the last power connection.

 $\hfill\square\hfill T$  : Is the value in °C of the internal temperature of the module. (Only available in equipment that includes temperature sensor).

BER : Displays the channel BER value for input signal in scientific notation.

Use the STOP command (key O) to stop the status information update. The OK command appears then in the same place; use now this one to close the screen.

• Alarms : Informs about the existence of failures in the internal circuitry of the module or in the signal processing. Character "X" indicates there is an alarm situation and "0" means that the status or operation are correct:

Ent:X Hu: O	FIF0:0 Ins.:0	NIT:0 Tmp:0	
CAM:0			
Cod:003	OFOA1	ALMSTOP	

□ Input : Operation of the tuner and the demodulation stage

□ FIFO : Character "X" warms of overflow, in other words, data loss in the output stream. (If the unreferenced PIDs are not blocked, the immediate action to do should be to block these PIDs).

- □ NIT : Regeneration of the NIT table.
- □ Hardware : General hardware of the module.
- $\hfill\square$  Insertion : Insertion of tables into the output stream.
- □ Tmp : Internal temperature of the module.
- □ CAM : Operating of the Conditional Access Module. Only MTI-900.

 $\hfill\square$  Code : This is a global alarms code that is useful when contacting IKUSI's technical support.

Use the ALMSTOP command (key S) to stop the alarms information update. The OK command appears then in the same place; use now this one to close the screen.

• Details : This screen identifies the module and displays software and hardware versions.



□ F : Version of the main firmware of the module.

- □ f : Firmware version of the internal FPGA device.
- L : Version of the bootloader.

□ Hardware Version : Version of the hardware of the module.

Use the OK command (key 🕑 ) to close the screen.

#### LANGUAGE Menu

Place the slide on the wished line and press  $\mathfrak{S}$ .

1 General		•	• English	
2 Settings		•	French	
3 Info		•	Spanish	
4▶Language	SEL	← ■	Italian	┙

### 2. THE SETTING SCREENS

2.1 - Country: Select the country of reference. The module will set the specific parameters of that country as ONID, LCN, etc....

1 General 2▶Settings 3 Info 4 Language		1) Country 2 Input 3 Output 4 TS Processing 5 Conditional Access	
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2.2 - INPUT: This screen appears when you select the Input option in the Settings menu. It is used to enter the values of the following parameters:

1 🕨 Freq	vency	:	1550	
2 Symb	ool rate	:	27.500	
3 Stan	dard	:	AUTO	
SEND 4	•			SEL

□ Frequency : Is the central frequency of the input channel, in MHz. There is a numerical field where you must enter the number by any one of the ways that were described in the Basic Handling guide.

□ Symbol Rate : Is the symbol rate of the input channel, in MS/s. The number is entered in the same way.

□ Standard : Is the DVB system type of received signal. Use the SEL command (key 𝔄) and perform the appropriate selection (AUTO, DVB-S, DVB-S2) at the pick list that appears.

**2.3 - OUTPUT**: This screen appears when you select the Output option in the Settings menu. It has two pages. The first one is the following:



The setting values to be entered are the following:

□ Frequency : Is the central frequency of the output channel, in MHz. There is a numerical field where you must enter the number by any one of the ways that were described in the Basic Handling guide (www.ikusi.tv).

□ Symbol rate : Is the symbol rate of the output channel, in MS/s. f you enter the value 0 (zero), the "Auto" word appears, this means that the output bit rate follows the input bit rate.

 $\Box$  Constellation : Is the Modulation Scheme of the output signal. The parameter value is chosen from the pick list that appears when you select this line (key S). The possible values are 16, 32, 64, 128 and 2560AM.

Press the key  $\downarrow$ . The second page of the Output Signal Parameters screen appears:

4 Roll-off : 157 5 Attenuation : ||||||| 4 |||| 6 IQ Inv. : 0 SEND 4 → ASEL

Here you can do the following settings:

□ Roll-Off : Is the roll-off factor of the half Nyquist filter. Parameter value is chosen from the pick list that appears when you select this line. The available values are 12%, 13% and 15%.

□ Attenuation : Is the attenuation for the QAM channel output level. A slider bar is available. Setting is carried out in real time: when you move the slider with the keys

← and → the new value is instantaneously established in the module, that is to say, you don't have to use the SEND command. To state exactly the value in dB you need a spectrum analyzer or a field strength meter.

 $\square$  IQ inversion" : Is the I-Q format of the output channel spectrum. The character "0" means normal spectrum and "X" means inverted spectrum. To change from one to the other you have to use the SEL command (key  $\mathscr{D}$ ).

2.4 - TS PROCESSING: It appears when you select the TS Processing option in the Settings menu. It has three pages. This is the first one:



□ Control Module : Here you must indicate whether the connected transmodulator performs or not the control function of the headend (the control transmodulator must be compulsorily the last one at the right end of the IKUSUP bus cascade). You must enter the character "X" if the module is the control module or the "0" if it is not. Changing from one character to other is done using the SEL command (key ( )).

 $\hfill\square$  Unreferenced PIDs : Open the pick list by using the SEL command. A list appears with the following three options:

-Auto : The transmodulator itself decides what to do with the unreferenced PIDs of the input channel transport stream, either to block or to let pass them. (Unreferenced PIDs are those that are not related with any service, table or CA).

-Block : All the unreferenced PIDS are blocked.

-Allow : All the unreferenced PIDs are let pass (are unblocked).

 $\Box$  All Services : Open the pick list by using the SEL command (key P ). A list appears with the following two options:

-Block : All the services (TV programmes) present at the transport stream are blocked. When a service is blocked, all the related PIDs —video, audio, teletext and others are blocked.

-Allow : All the services of the transport stream are let pass, unblocking those that were blocked. When a service is unblocked, all the related PIDs —video, audio, teletext and others— are unblocked and the tables are updated.

ATTENTION : The two aforementioned options are "reset" actions that erase all the blocking or unblocking settings that have been done before for concrete services.

Press the key  $\downarrow$ . The second page of the Transport Stream Processing screen appears :



Here you can do the following selections :

□ Action : Open the list using the SEL command on your SPI-300. A list will appear where we will choose the settings we want to perform with the next options:

-Unblock Service : It must be selected to unblock a service in the "Select" option (second line of this screen page).

-Block Service : Idem to block a service.

-Edit LCN : Must be choose if you want to configure LCN for each service.

-Renumb Serv : Must be choose if you want to configure SID for each service.

-De-encrypt Service : It must be selected to de-encrypt a service (TV programme) in the "Select" option.

Important: the de-encrypting action only can be carried out for a blocked service; to de-encrypt an unblocked service, you must block it before. The service will be automatically unblocked on de-encrypting it.

-Stop Service De-encrypting : Idem to stop the current de-encrypting action for a service. The service returns to its original encrypting status and comes to be blocked.

-Unblock PID : Idem to unblock a PID. (The tables are not updated).

-Block PID : Idem to block a PID.

-Force PID : It must be selected to enable a concrete PID, either referenced or not,

which could be blocked as a consequence of the blockade action for a determined service or CA, or the blockade of unreferenced PIDs. This action may also be used to invalidate a by-default regenerated PSI/SI table, and to restore the original one.

-Unblock Conditional Access : It must be selected to unblock a CA in the "Select" option. When a CA is unblocked, the PIDs of the ECM and EMM are unblocked and the tables are updated.

-Block Conditional Access : Idem to block a CA.

 $\hfill\square$  Select : You must choose the service in which you want to apply the configuration that you have choose in the "Action" menu.

□ Value: Assign a value to the chosen parameter in the "Action" menu if that parameter is editable like LCN mode or SID remapping. If that parameter is not an editable one you will see the service SID for informational purposes. use the SEND command (key ) to perform the action.

Press the key I. The third and last page of the Transport Stream Processing screen appears :

7 ▶ ModoNIT: NIT-paso 8 Red : ASTRA	
9 NID:65537	
SEND 🕕 🔺	SEL

Here you can do the following selections :

□ NIT Mode : Open the pick list by using the SEL command. A list appears with the three following options:

-NIT-auto : When this option is selected in the transmodulator that performs control function, the input NIT (which may change or not) is regenerated in an automatic way to a new NIT that contains, amongst other parameters, the output frequencies of the transmodulators of the headend, the LCN descriptors (if any) and the Transport Stream id, with the corresponding changes that could have been made (see next page). This new NIT (or output NIT) belongs to a new network whose name and identification number are defined in the next 8 and 9 options. The new NIT is sent continuously via IKUSUP bus to the rest of transmodulators of the headend, where it remains stored (and updated as either the input NIT or the headend parameters change) if in these modules the "NIT-auto" option has been also selected.

-NIT-fixed : If you select this option, the current NIT stored in the module stays locked, unaware of the input NIT. (On future versions of the MDI-800 and MDI-900, an external, expressly created NIT will be able to be loaded).

-NIT-pass : If you select this option, the output NIT is at any time the same as the input NIT. The option can be applied individually to each transmodulator; any NIT stored in the module is erased.

□ Net : Is the name that you want to assign to the new network generated by the MTI headend.

□ NID : Network IDentifier. It is the identification number that you want to assign to the new network.

NOTE : If you enter the number "0" for the NID parameter, both the name and the NID of the output network will be the same as those of the input network.

IMPORTANT : The "Net", "NID", "LCN Mode" and "Star.LCN" options are applicable only to the transmodulator that performs control function (last module at the right end of the IKUSUP bus cascade). Data being entered in other transmodulators don't take effect.

□ TS-ID : Allows assigning a new id to the Transport Stream. This Option is useful when there are two modules in the headend processing data from the same Transport Stream.

□ ON-ID : Allows assigning a new id to the ONID.

□ LCN Mode : Logical Channel Number Mode. The LCN system allows DVT tuners to automatically tune stations on certain channel numbers. This option indicates the module what to do with the received LCN. The list of options is the following:

- Pass: The module does no processing to the possible LCN that could be found.
- Block: Found LCN are removed and will not appear on the new stream.
- Europe
- Nordig 1
- Nordig 2
- Generic
- UK

These last four options insert LCN descriptors with the corresponding format starting from the number set in the next option.

2.5 - CONDITIONAL ACCESS: Available in the Settings menu. When you select a waiting screen appears first as an exchange of information between the module and the SPI-300 is developed. Then the Conditional Access screen, which provides various information about the card and contracted services appears.

#### Abbreviations

CA : Conditional Access,

- CAT : Conditional Access Table
- ECM : Entitlement Control Messages
- EIT : Event Information Table
- EMM : Entitlement Management Messages
- MPTS : Multiple Program Transport Stream
- NIT : Network Information Table
- PAT : Program Association Table
- PID : Packet IDentifier
- PMT : Program Map Table
- PSI : Program Specific Information
- SDT : Service Description Table
- SI : Service Information
- SPTS : Single Program Transport Stream
- TDT : Time and Date Table
- TS : Transport Stream

PSI Tables : PAT , PMT , CAT SI Tables : NIT , SDT , EIT , TDT



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