Protecting Euro-ISDN systems and telecommunication environments against eavesdropping

Top-security encryption of telephone calls, data, faxes and video conferences

SYSTEMS 2001, Munich — Rohde & Schwarz SIT has developed the Euro-ISDN encryption unit TopSec730 for comprehensive protection of the telecommunication environments in business enterprises and public authorities. The unit comes in a 19" cabinet and is connected into the S_{2M} link; it provides simultaneous encryption of up to 30 connections. All ISDN services, such as telephone calls, faxes, data transmission and video conferences with a remote TopSec station, can be reliably protected against espionage or other misuse.

With the TopSec730, Rohde & Schwarz SIT adds a solution for ISDN systems to its TopSec encryption products for secure communication. When the TopSec730 is connected to the S_{2M} link, all information transmitted via Euro-ISDN will be reliably encrypted, if required. To activate the crypto mode, a defined code number has to be dialled before the number of the called station. The two TopSec stations then agree on a 128-bit key, which is randomly selected from 10^{38} (10 to the power of 38) possibilities and erased as soon as the connection is terminated. An asymmetrical 1024-bit algorithm is used for the key agreement. The combination of the two different encryption methods provides maximum security.

The TopSec730 encryption unit for Euro-ISDN systems is available now from Rohde & Schwarz.

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