GSC – US Coast Guard Navigation Center (NAVCEN) Cooperation

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European GNSS Agency (GSA)
US Coast Guard Navigation Center (NAVCEN)
The centres: GSC and NAVCEN
The GSC is the single interface for users of the Galileo:
- Open Service (OS) and Commercial Service (CS)

GSC Nucleus (GSC-n) is the precursor of the fully fledged GSC, and it is conceived as an integral part of the European GNSS infrastructure.

GSC-n basic functionalities: dedicated Helpdesk, publication of Notice Advisory to Galileo Users and management of the GSC-n web portal.

GSC v1 (first fully fledged version) is being developed in parallel to support, amongst other, the dissemination of commercial data through a real-time interface.

- The GSC is under GSA management.

http://www.gsc-europa.eu
• Primary support node to non-aviation and **non-military civil/commercial users** with GPS issues.

• Coordination with the GPSOC (2
  nd Space Operations Squadron’s GPS Operations Center) for problem reports or inquiries analysis requiring in-depth or specific knowledge.

• Service operation and information provision that enhances the **safety, security, and efficiency of U.S. waterways and civil GPS users**.

• Serves as the **U.S. focal point** for implementation of e-Navigation.

Sources: [http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/](http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/)  
http://www.insidegnss.com/node/802
GSC-NAVCEN cooperation undertaken within an established frame

EU-US bilateral cooperation agreement:
Establishing the principles for the cooperation activities between the United States of America and the European Union in the field of satellite navigation. The GPS-Galileo Agreement established 4 working groups for cooperation on:

A. Radio frequency compatibility and interoperability;
B. Trade and civil applications;
C. Design and development of the next generation of systems; and
D. Security issues related to GPS and Galileo.

EC-GSA Exploitation Delegation Agreement:
EC delegates the Galileo Service Provision to the GSA as an initial step towards the full Galileo Exploitation Phase. The agreement provides a framework and budget for the development of services and operations.
GSC-n – NAVCEN cooperation
Cooperation Channel

Operational Points of Contact:

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<td>OS Helpdesk</td>
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Operational cooperation:

- The GSC-n is collaborating with the US Coast Navigation Center (NAVCEN) to report requests and incidents reported from users.
- GSC-n web portal will point to the US Coast Navigation Center site so that users interested in GPS may check the GPS system status.
- NAVCEN website will point to GSC-n web portal so that GPS users may check the relevant Galileo information.
## User requests cooperation procedure

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Incidents reporting cooperation procedure

Two scenarios have been identified

GPS NAVCEN receives an incident report concerning the Galileo system

• GPS NAVCEN POC forwards the incident report to the GSC-n POC via email
• NAVCEN informs the user that the incident has been forwarded to GSC-n
• GSC-n registers and treats the incident internally following established procedures
• GSC-n replies to the user accordingly

GSC-n receives an incident report concerning GPS

• GSC-n PoC forwards the incident to GPS NAVCEN PoC via email
• GSC-n informs the user that the incident is forwarded to NAVCEN
• NAVCEN registers and treats the incident internally following established procedures
• NAVCEN replies to the user accordingly
Possible further operational interfaces with similar Service Centres already operational in other regions

- China BEIDOU
- Russian Federation GLONASS
- India IRNSS
- European Union GALILEO
- United States GPS
- Japan QZSS
Beidou

China Satellite Navigation Office (CSNO)
Test and Assessment Research Center (TARC)

BEIDOU

Location: Beijing, xxx, China
Phone:
Galileo

European GNSS Agency - Galileo Service Center

GALILEO
http://www.gsc-europa.eu/

GALILEO CONSTELLATION STATUS
http://www.gsc-europa.eu/system-status/Constellation-Information

GALILEO HELP DESK
http://www.gsc-europa.eu/helpdesk/contact-form

Location: Madrid, xxx, Spain
Phone:
Roscosmos GLONASS Analysis/Information Center

GLONASS

GLONASS CONSTELLATION STATUS

GLONASS REPORT A PROBLEM

Location: Moscow, Russian Federation
Phone:
PNT Providers: Public Contact Information

GPS, U.S. Coast Guard Navigation Center

GPS
http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/

CONSTELLATION STATUS
http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?Do=constellationStatus

INQUIRIES/PROBLEM REPORTS
http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageTitle=gpsUserInput

Location: Alexandria, Virginia, USA
Phone: 1-703-313-5900
The **Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) Navigation Centre**

**IRNSS**


**Location:** xxx, xxx, India  
**Phone:**
PNT Providers: Public Contact Information

QZSS


QZSS INQUIRIES

Location: xxx, xxx, Japan
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THANK YOU

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