

Activity Title:	"Compact Ku-Band OMUX with a high number of channels"			
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Summary of the activity (maximum 400 words and 2 pictures)	As the telecom satellites become larger and larger the number of channels to be accommodated is increasing steadily. This results in output multiplexers (OMUX) with a higher number of channels and a larger footprint often together with operating power levels which are still increasing. Therefore the scope of the activity was to design a compact Ku-Band OMUX with a high number of channels. Two main concepts were considered in parallel in this activity: The first concept was based on a single mode TE016 cavity loaded with dielectric with permittivity of 10 and without any self compensation property. BB filters for 4-2-0 at 12.75GHz and for 5-2-0 at 10.7GHz were built up for design verification. Furthermore first steps were done for mechanical temperature compensation. Unloaded Q of 30000 is possible. The second solution was based in a dual mode HE11 cavity loaded with dielectric with permittivity of 24 and property of self compensation. Unloaded Q of 9000 is possible. First concept has large dimensions and a not completely spurious mode free range in Ku-Band but a very good Q value. Second concept is very small but has the disadvantage of the low Q and high operating material temperatures. By combining the advantages of both concepts an innovative solution was found which will be followed up in a different program. Therefore the actual program has been stopped at this point.			

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