



# **RAVENNA 2020 Webinar Series**

## **RAVENNA** and its relationship to **AES67 & SMPTE ST 2110**

**Tue, Apr 14, 2020**  
**15:00 h (CEST)**

**Presenter: Andreas Hildebrand, ALC NetworX**





# RAVENNA 2020 Webinar Series

## Upcoming webinars:

- Tue, Apr 28, 2020 - 15:00 h (CEST):

**AES67 & SMPTE ST 2110 (Introduction / overview)**

- Tue, May 12, 2020 - 15:00 h (CEST):

**AES67 & SMPTE ST 2110 (Deep dive)**

More on a **bi-weekly** basis, to be announced on:

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# AES67 & SMPTE ST 2110

- The Vulcan Nerve Pinch to  **RAVENNA** ?



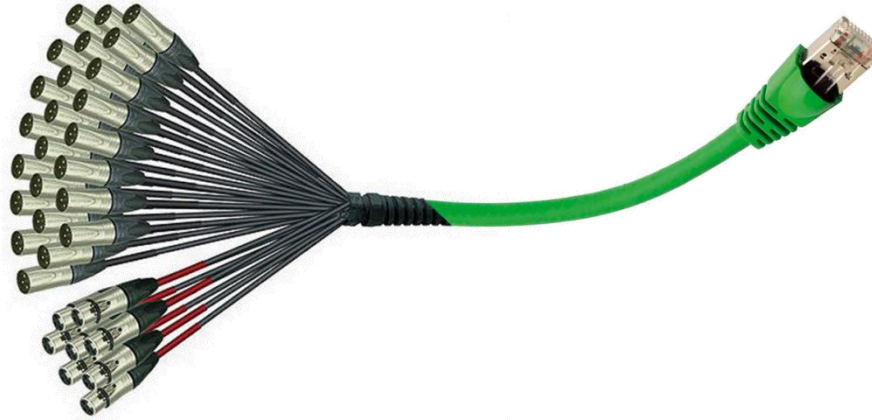
## What is RAVENNA?







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# RAVENNA

The IP-based Real-Time Media Network

Real-time **A**udio & **V**ideo **E**nhanced  
**N**ext-Generation **N**etwork **A**rchitecture

## Why RAVENNA?

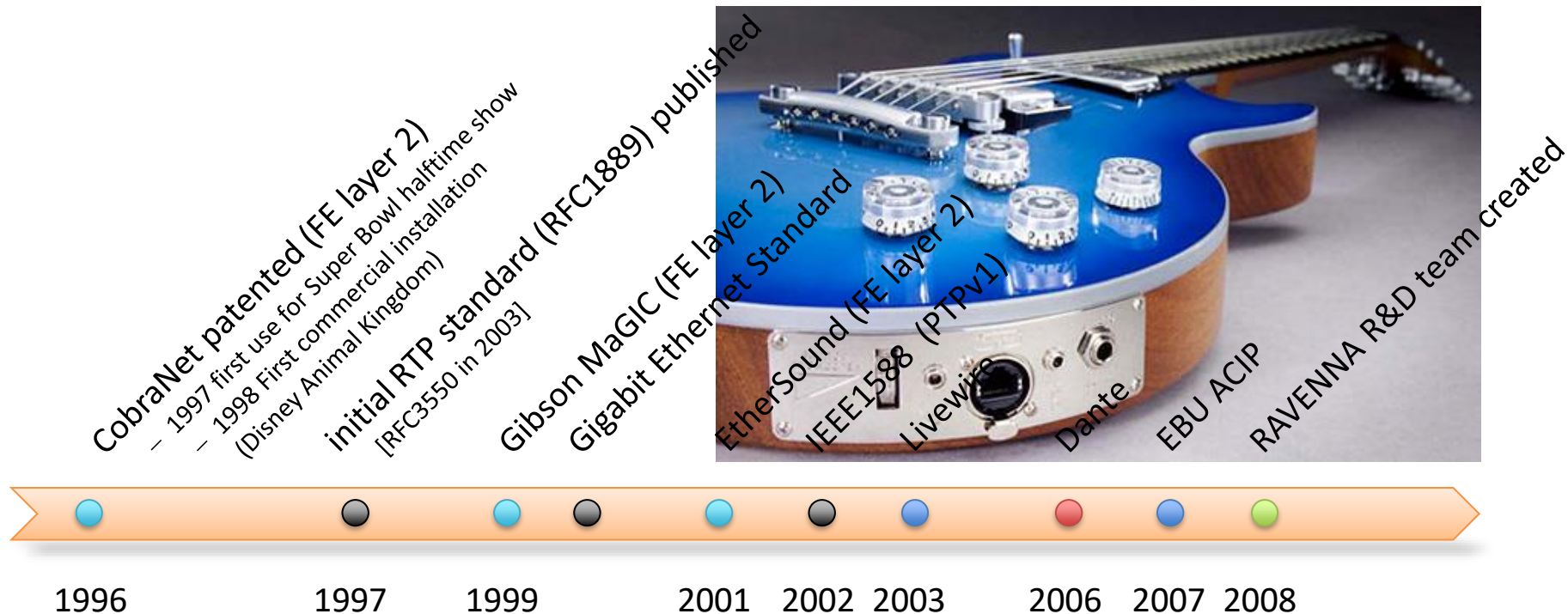


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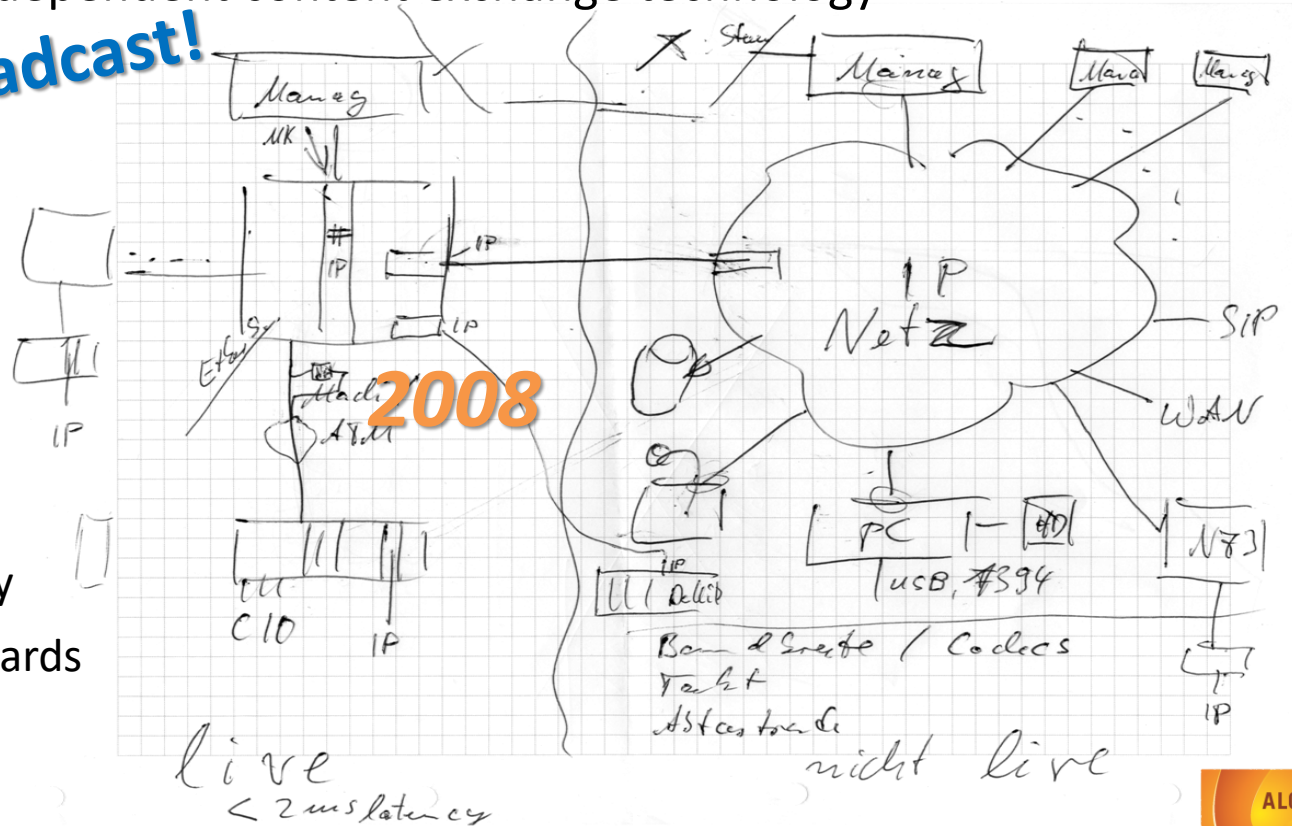
## Networked audio timeline



Vision: a platform-independent content exchange technology

Requirements: **Broadcast!**

- scalable
- fast
- shareable
- flexible
- reliable
- routable
- non-proprietary
- based on standards



## *Why Networking?*

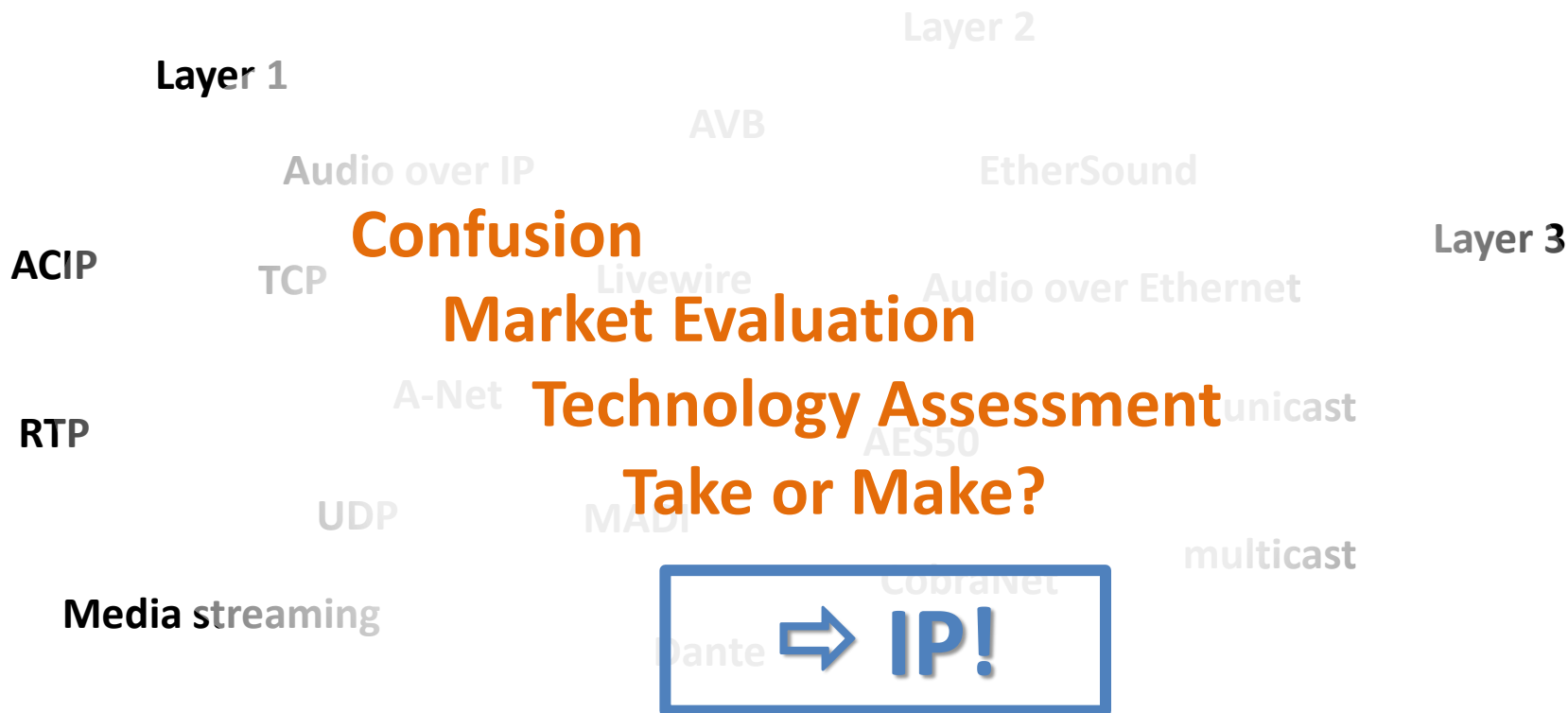
- Availability – increase of network-based services (VoIP / NGN, IPTV, WAN distribution via “codecs” etc.) & performance of infrastructure (Ethernet / Gigabit, fiber, switches / routers etc.)
- Cost efficiency – equipment, cabling, planning, installation
- Flexibility – fast re-configuration / re-routing w/o change in cabling
- Scalability – performance scales w/ capabilities of network infrastructure
- Versatility – add’l services on same network (e.g. control signal, communication, “office” traffic etc.)
- Convergence – direct integration w/ PCs
- Resource efficiency – consolidation of maintenance efforts for engineering & service departments



## *Why IP-based Networking?*

- General advantages of networking: Reliability, flexibility, versatility, accessibility, scalability, cost advantage, maintenance efficiency, ...
- Availability: IP-capable network equipment and infrastructure readily available and widely deployed
- Based on standards: IP standard protocols (the “internet protocols”) are widely supported (e.g. RTP/RTCP, RTSP, IGMP, SDP, DHCP, DNS etc.)
- Routing capability: content can be routed across campus networks and WAN connections without technology change
- Convergence: PCs can participate on the network without dedicated hardware
- Future-proof: IP-based services are growing into all areas of communication





## *Existing Audio-over-IP solutions / technologies / initiatives:*

Technology	Purveyor	Date introduced	Technical requirements matched?	Open technology?
Livewire	Telos/Axia	2003	😐	😐
Wheatnet-IP	Wheatstone	2005	😞	😞
Dante	Audinate	2006	😊	😞
N/ACIP	EBU	2007	😞	😊
AVB	IEEE, AVnu	2005	😊😐😞	😊



## Networked audio timeline

RAVENNA R&D team created

RAVENNA development started

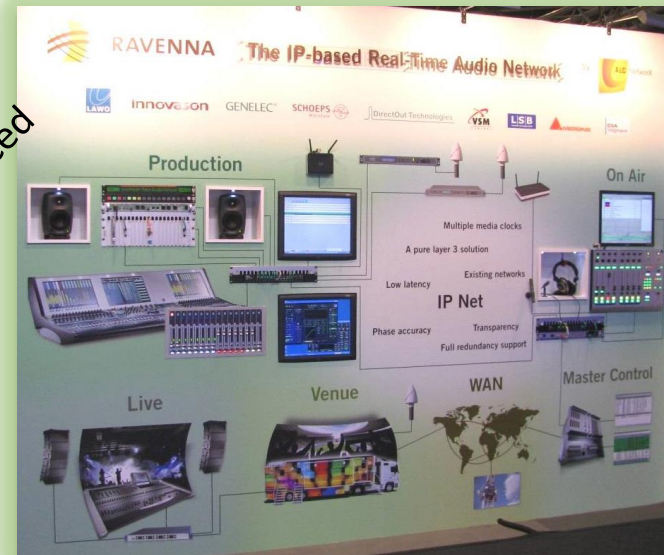
RAVENNA introduced to selected industry partners

RAVENNA published and introduced at IBC 2010

2008

2009

2010



# What is **RAVENNA** ?



*An “Open Technology” platform:*

- Based on **technology** publicly **available**
  - ⇒ *No proprietary “black box” design*
- Utilizes **standard protocols**
  - ⇒ *Proven technology, widely supported*
- Designed to work on **existing networks**
  - ⇒ *No new network equipment required*
- **No** proprietary **licensing** policy
  - ⇒ No cost per channel, suits all performance needs
- Draft on operating principles **published** since June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011

## What is **RAVENNA**?

RAVENNA Draft on  
Operational Principles



### Ingredients:

20 ml PTPv2  
500 g RTP  
1 pkt multicast  
1 pinch of Bonjour

### Cooking order:

1. Stew PTP to order
2. Add RTP
3. Mingle with multicast
4. Add Bonjour on top

**Serve hot and Enjoy!**

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  - ⇒ *Anybody can implement / support RAVENNA technology*
- **Supported** by renowned companies from the ProAudio industry
  - ⇒ *Broad market acceptance*

## RAVENNA Partners (& AES67 Supporters):

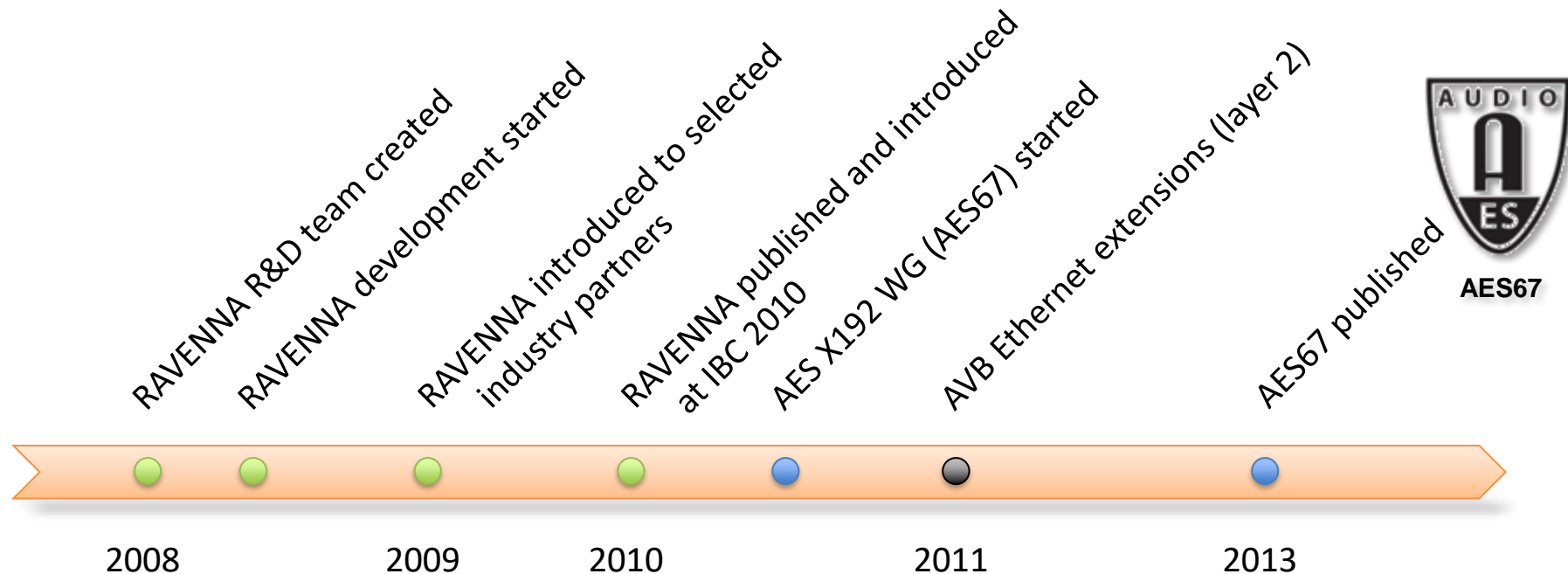


### *RAVENNA Key Features:*

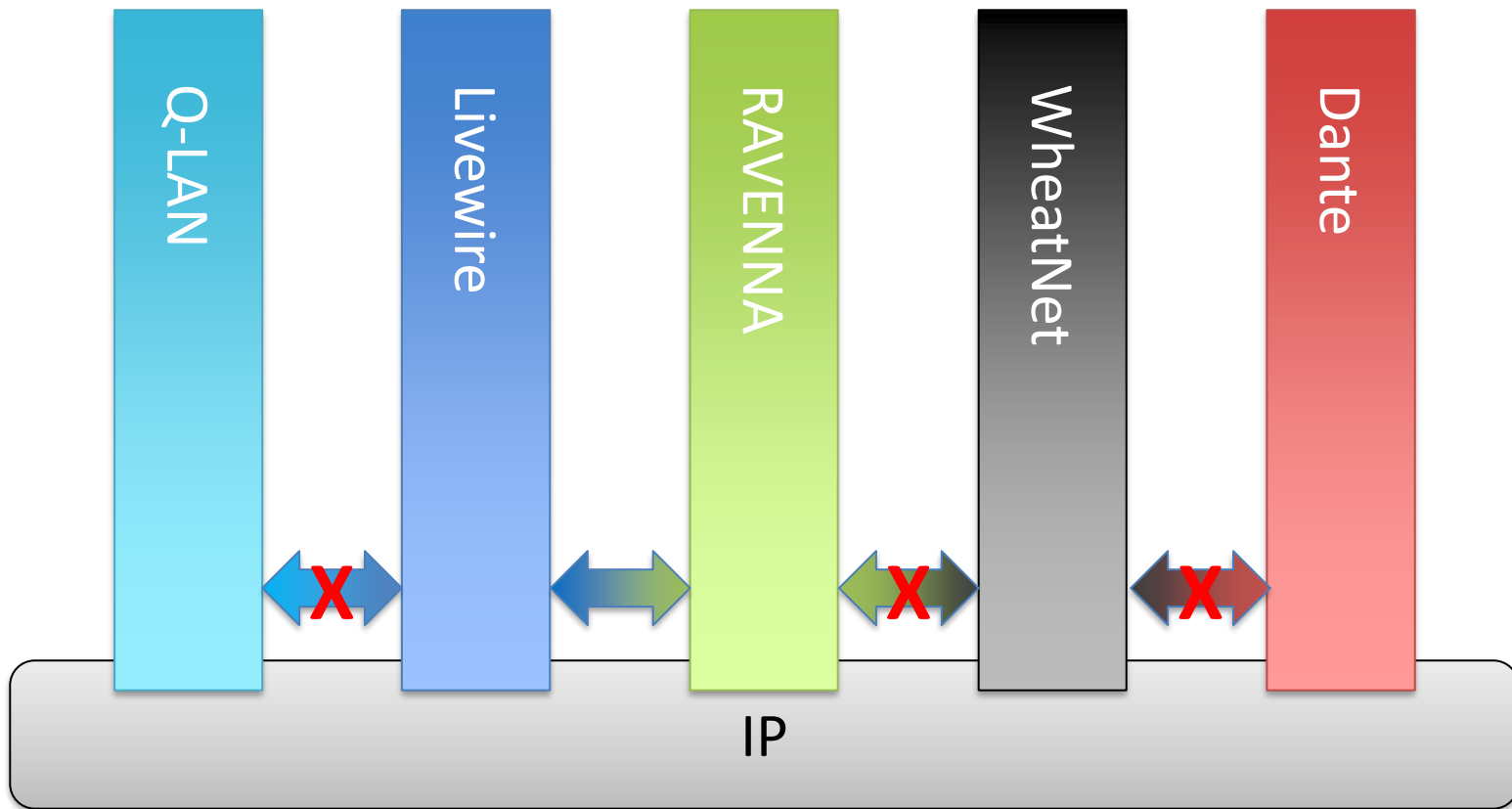
- A **layer 3** (IP) solution
- Can operate on most **existing network** infrastructures
- Allows **phase-accurate** distribution of media clocks
- Full **bit-transparency** with all media formats
- Supports concurrent operation of **multiple media** clocks and **data formats**
- Allows **low latency** for real-time critical applications
- Capacity **scales** with underlying network infrastructure
- Supports distribution and synchronization **across network segments**
- Full network **redundancy** support (optional)
- Based on **standards**
- **Open technology**



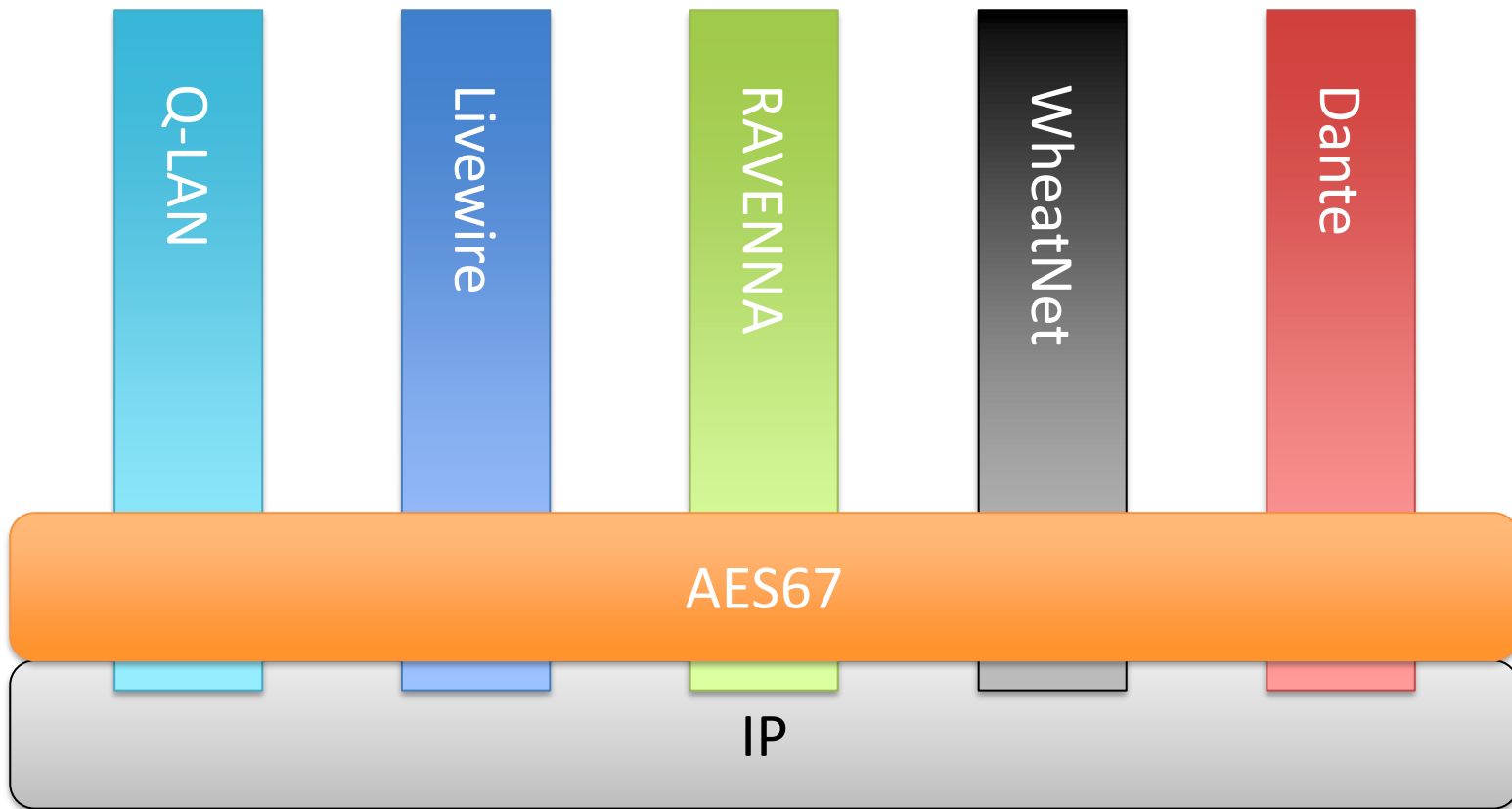
## *Networked audio timeline*



# AES standard for audio applications of networks - High-performance streaming audio-over-IP interoperability



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# AES67 technology components

Discovery	Not specified
Connection Management	SIP (unicast), IGMP (multicast)
Session Description	SDP (RFC4566, RFC7273)
Encoding	L16/L24, 1..8 ch, 48 samples
QoS	Differentiated Services (DiffServ w/ 3 CoS)
Transport	RTP / UDP / IP, unicast & multicast
Media Clock	48 kHz
Synchronisation	IEEE 1588-2008 (PTPv2)



**AES67**



**AES67**



**RAVENNA**





## RAVENNA

+ Discovery

+ Redundancy

QoS three classes

+ classes adjustable

Media Format L16/L24 PCM

+ AES/EBU, DSD/DXD, Video

48 Samples per packet

+ 1, 6, 12, 64...

1-8 Audio channels

+ 64, 128...

Encoding 48kHz

+ 44.1, 96, 192, 384kHz...



AES67



**RAVENNA**  
*AES67 built-in*

+ Discovery

+ Redundancy

**More  
Features**

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Options**

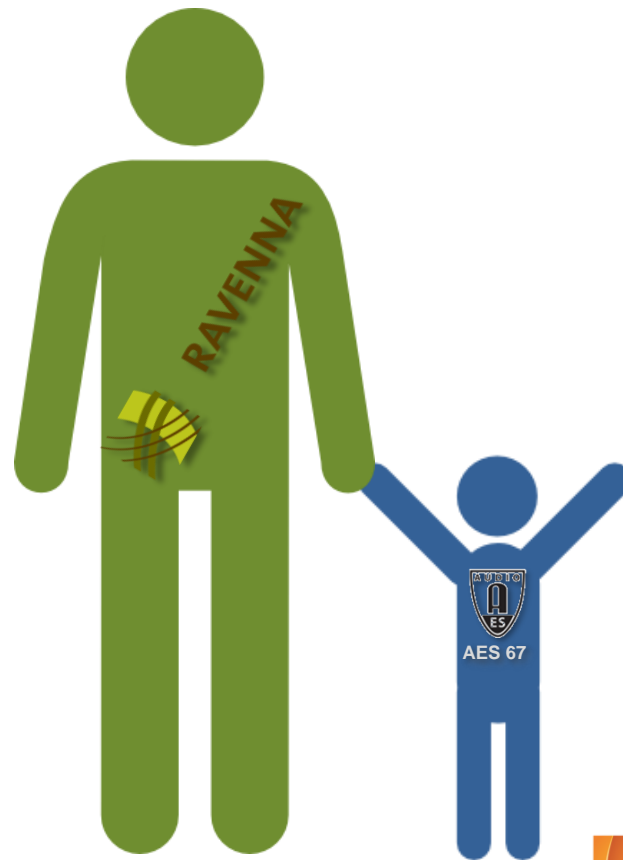


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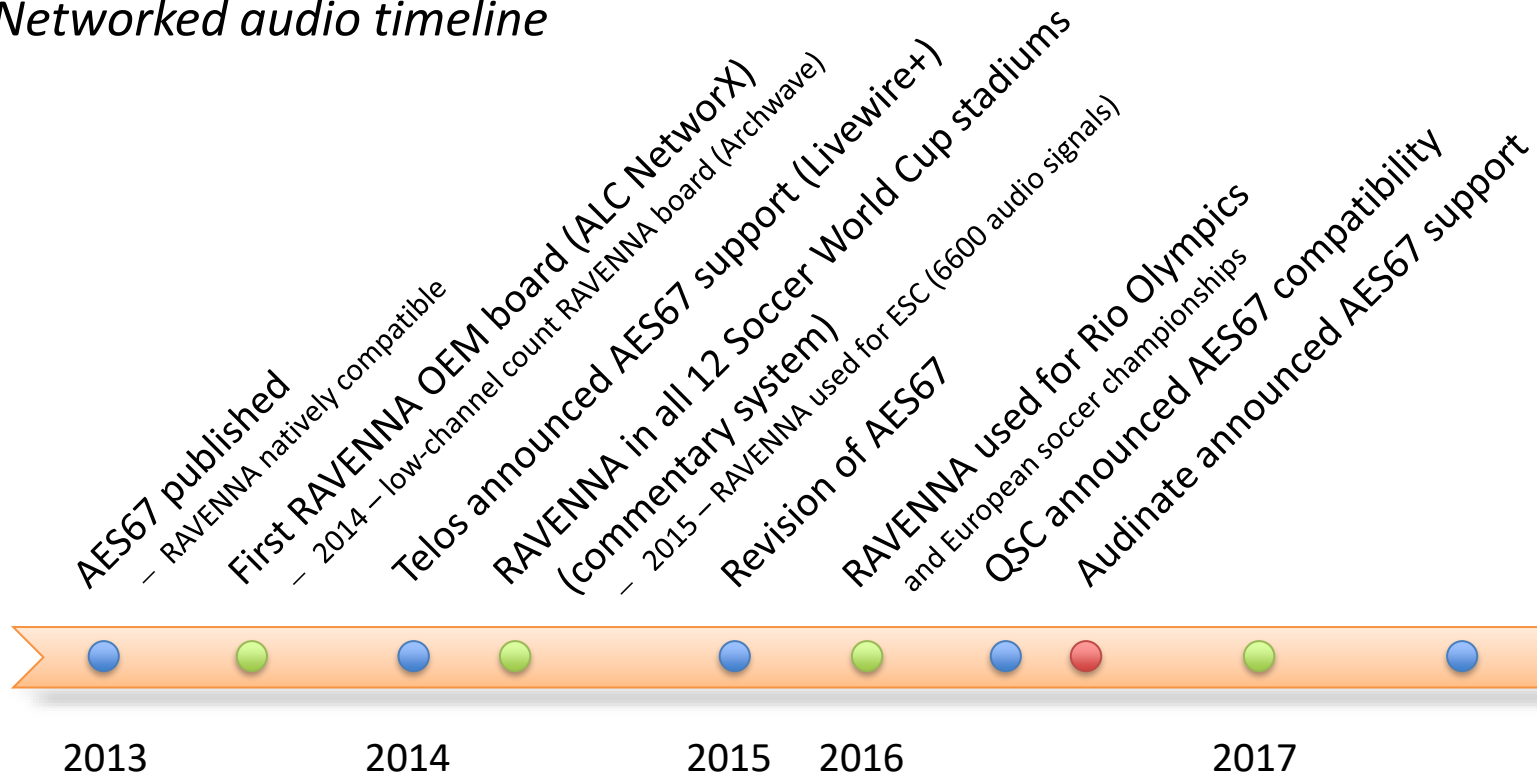


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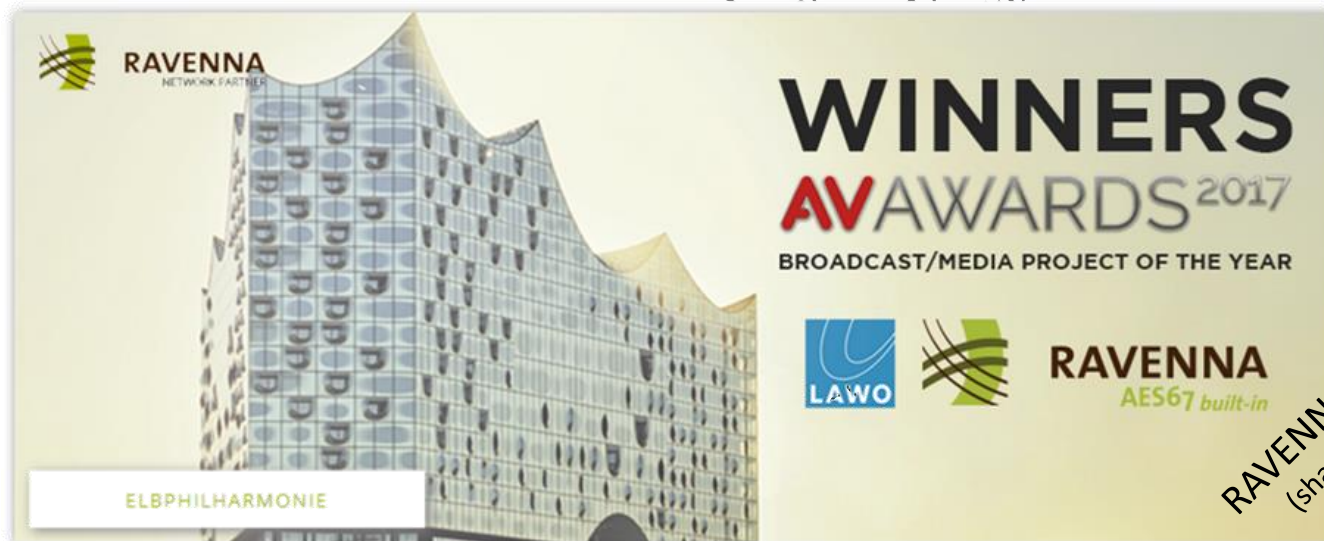
**AES67** *built-in*



## Networked audio timeline



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**WINNERS**  
**AV AWARDS 2017**  
BROADCAST/MEDIA PROJECT OF THE YEAR



**RAVENNA**  
AES67 built-in

AV award for "Elphi" Hamburg  
(shared network for broadcast and live production,  
including access rights management)

SMPTE ST 2110 published



2013

2014

2015

2016

2017

## SMPTE ST 2110 – Professional Media over Managed IP Networks

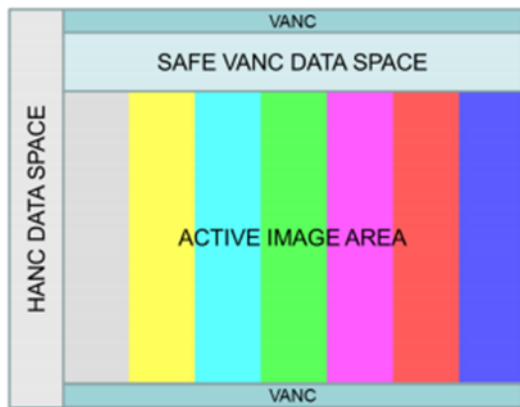


The SMPTE ST 2110 standards suite specifies

- the transport, synchronization and description of
  - separate elementary essence streams (video, audio, ancillary data)
    - over managed IP networks (at any speed, from 1GbE to 100 GbE and beyond)
    - for real-time production, playout and other professional media applications.



## The Bundled Approach: SMPTE ST 2022-6

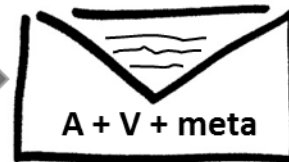


SDI Raster

*IP Packetization of SDI Raster*  
Method: **SMPTE ST 2022-6**

- Audio (from HANC)
- Video (from active area)
- Metadata (from VANC)
- Sync/Timing (from frame)

One Destination  
IP Address



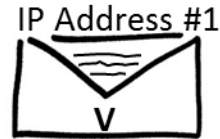
Published beginning in 2012

## The Essence-based Approach: SMPTE ST 2110



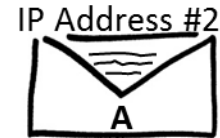
Active Video

***IP Packetization of Active Video***  
Method: **SMPTE ST 2110-20**



Audio

***IP Packetization of Audio Channels***  
Method: **SMPTE ST 2110-30**



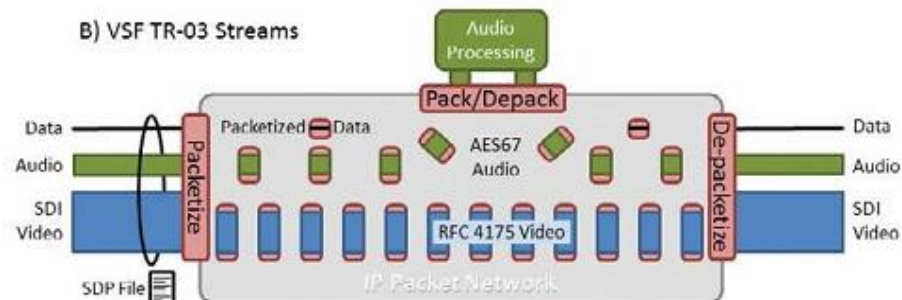
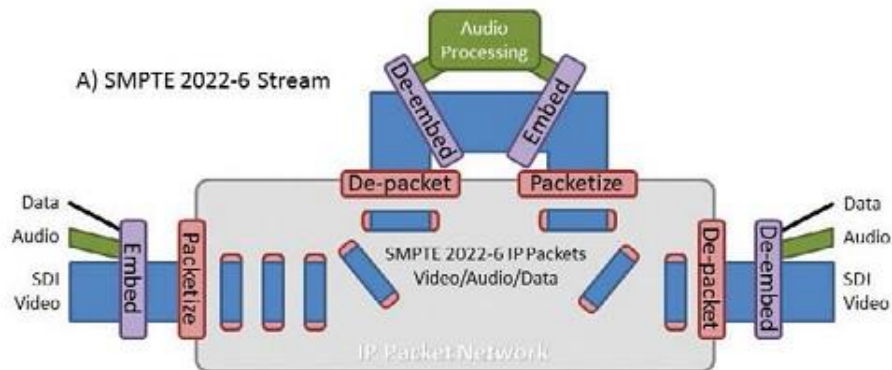
Metadata

***IP Packetization of ANC Data***  
Method: **SMPTE ST 2110-40**



Published beginning in 2017

## Bundled vs. Essence-based Approach



## SMPTE 2110 - Professional Media over Managed IP Networks

### Document structure (published):

- 2110-10: System Timing & Definitions
  - defines transport layer and synchronization (SMPTE2059, clocks, RTP, SDP etc.)
- 2110-20: Uncompressed Active Video
  - defines payload format for raw video (RFC4175, RTP, SDP, constraints)
- 2110-21: Traffic Shaping and Delivery Timing for Uncompressed Active Video
  - defines timing model for senders and receivers (traffic shaping requirements)
- 2110-22: Compressed Active Video
  - defines payload format for CBR-compressed video (no codec definition!)



## SMPTE 2110 - Professional Media over Managed IP Networks

### Document structure (published):

- 2110-30: PCM Digital Audio
  - defines payload format for linear audio (AES67, constraints)
- 2110-31: AES3 Transparent Transport
  - defines payload format for non-linear audio (RAVENNA AM824)
- 2110-40: Transport of SMPTE Ancillary Data
  - defines RTP payload format for SDI ancillary data (new IETF draft)



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**AES67**

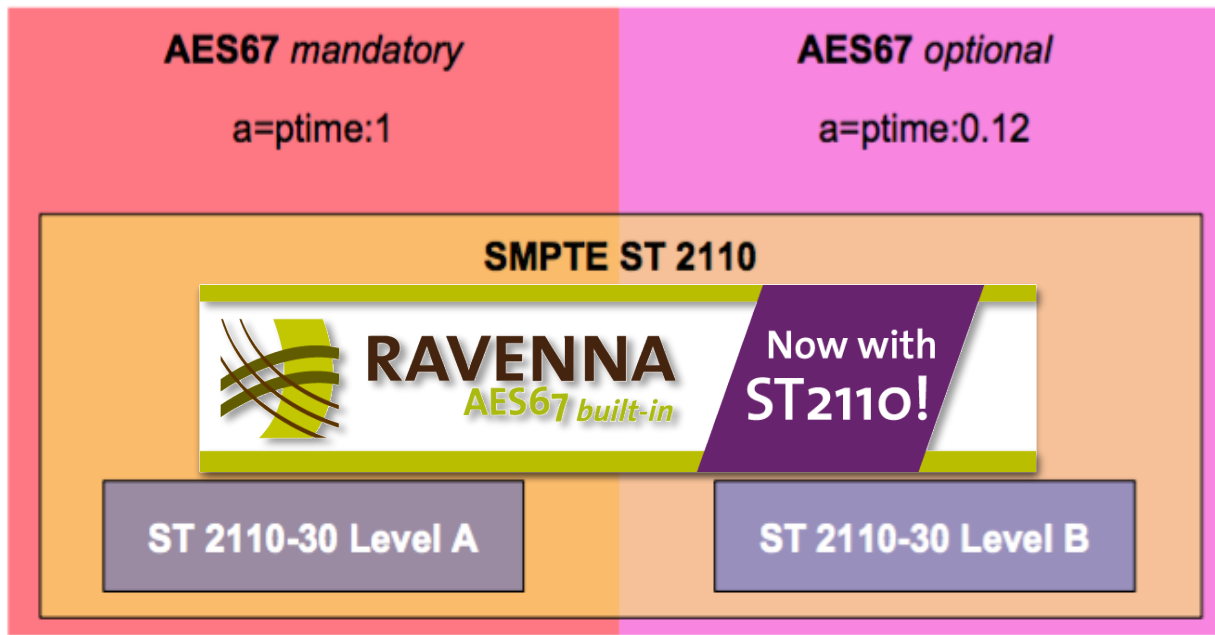
**Constraints!**

⇒ AIMS WP on  
AES67 / ST2110 Commonalities & Constraints



## SMPTE ST 2110-30 and AES67 Compatibility

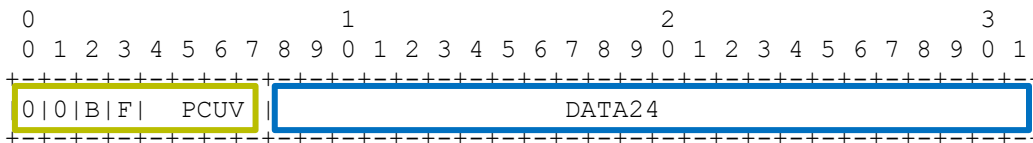
SMPTE ST 2110-30 is a subset of AES67,  
adding constraints to clocking and streaming



## SMPTE 2110 - Professional Media over Managed IP Networks

### 2110-31 – transparent transport of AES3 audio data

- Can transport any format which can be encapsulated in AES3
  - L24 PCM w/ AES3 subframe meta data (PCUV bits)
  - non-PCM audio and data formats as defined by SMPTE ST 337 / 338 (i.e. Dolby®E etc.)
- Builds on RAVENNA's AM824 (IEC 61883-6) payload definition:
  - retains AES67 definitions for synchronization and RTP usage
  - uses 3 bytes for PCM24 + 1 byte for AES3 meta data



– RTP payload format signaled in SDP:

`a=rtpmap:<pt> AM824/48000/<nchan>` - with <nchan> always being an equal number (stereo channels)

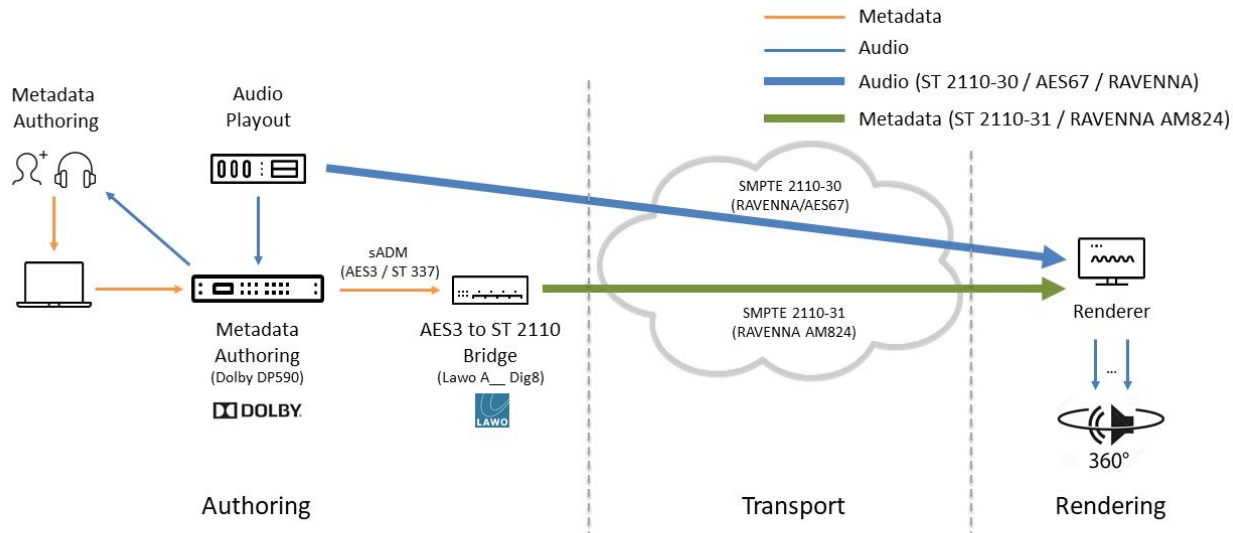
– retains all other SDP parms



## Audio Metadata over SMPTE ST 2110-31 (RAVENNA AM824)



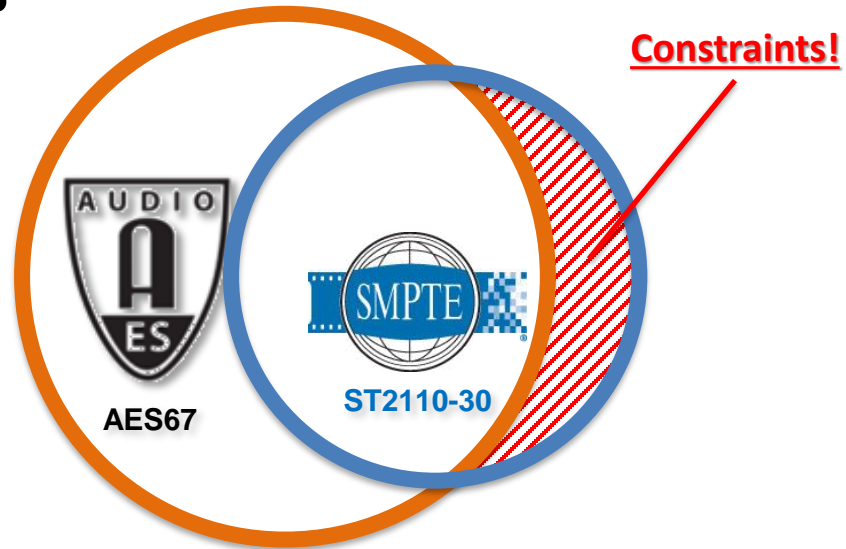
Now with  
ST2110!



## SMPTE 2110 - Professional Media over Managed IP Networks

**AES67 / ST2110 audio compatibility?**

**24-bit PCM audio**

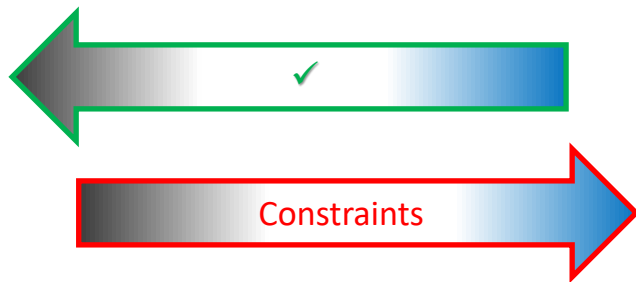


## SMPTE 2110 - Professional Media over Managed IP Networks

**AES67 / ST2110-30 stream compatibility?**



**AES67**

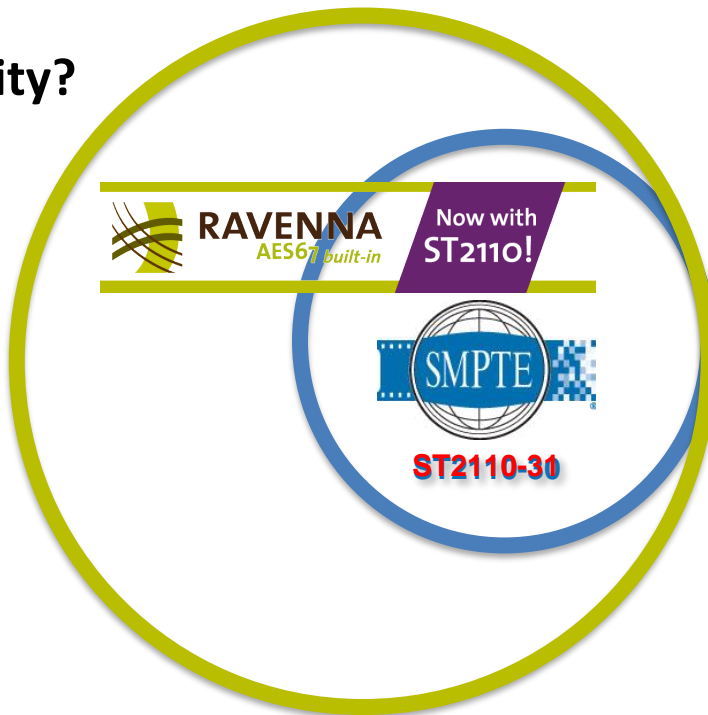


**ST2110-30**

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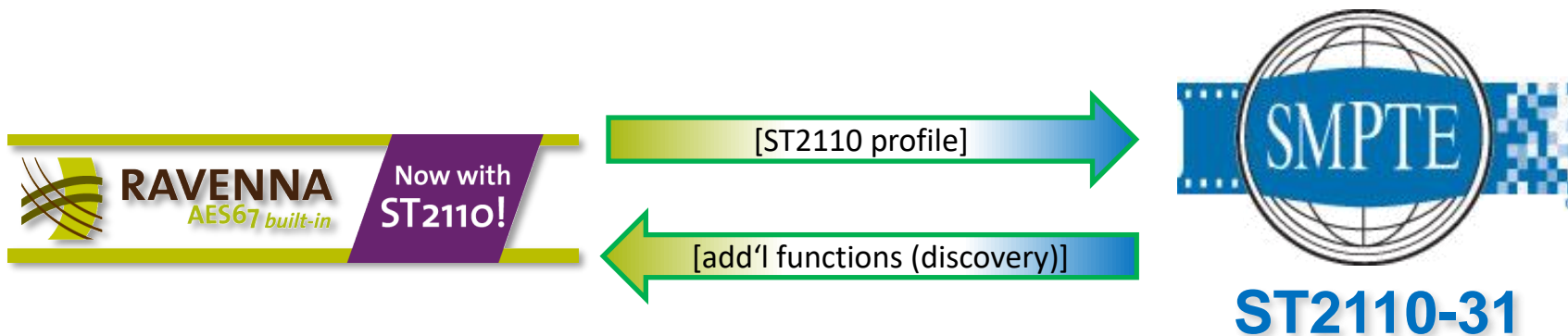
**AES67 / ST2110 audio compatibility?**

**AES3 audio**



## SMPTE 2110 - Professional Media over Managed IP Networks

### AES67 / ST2110-31 stream compatibility?





## Summary (why RAVENNA?):

- Flexibility
  - Wide range of formats, sampling rates and packet times
  - Accommodates any channel bundles
- Performance
  - Full bit-transparency
  - Capacity scales w/ network speed
  - Ultra-low latency possible (“MADI-over-IP”)
- Open technology (can be enhanced / expanded)
  - No licensing, multiple adoptions & OEM provider
  - Based on existing standards
    - Operates on standard / managed IT networks (including routing)
  - Adaptable to emerging standards / technologies through layered approach
    - Fully compatible with AES67 / ST2110
    - SAP / SIP / ST 2059 / ST 2022-7 / NMOS
- Most prevalent technology in broadcast applications



## AES67 & SMPTE ST 2110

- The Vulcan Nerve Pinch to  **RAVENNA** ?

**Not at all!**



**Thank you for your attention!**

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