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Chapter 1

Description

The Intinor Direkt router receives video and audio from Direkt link or Direkt router via computer networks, monitors and re-sends to one or multiple destinations. Direkt router rack with options can also transcode the video streams to other formats. The live-broadcasted material can be received by different receivers for live-editing or distribution to TV viewers.

Intinor Direkt router is very easy to use and is configured in a web interface. Configurations can be adjusted via a display and keypad.

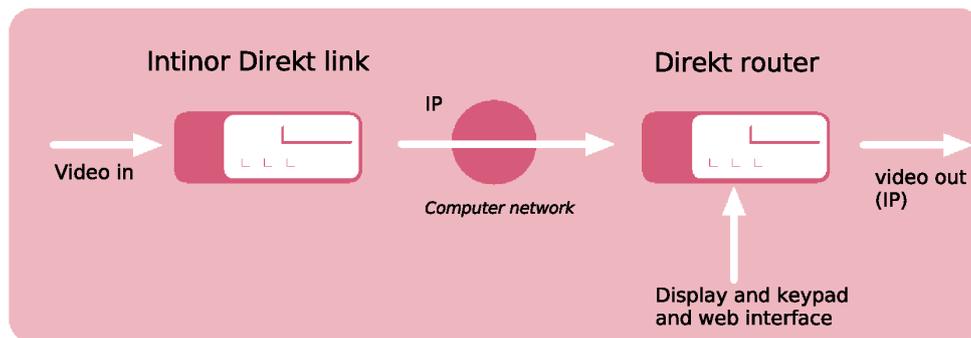


Figure 1.1: *Intinor Direkt router*

The Direkt router is a robust construction with few moving parts. Intinor provides support, can monitor and remote control links and help to ease network trouble shooting.

Similar to all Intinor products, the Direkt router can be supplemented with options and customizations. In this way, the customer is offered desired functionality without making the unit complex and hard to use.

1.1 Functions

The following functions are standard on Direkt router 2000IP:

- Can receive video streams (MPEG2, H.264 and H.265) from a number of different types of senders
- With access control, administrator can allow input streams only from specific senders
- multiple output streams TCP (error correction with buffering)
- multiple output streams UDP/RTP, unicast and/or multicast
- RTP+FEC - error correction with low latency
- Network failover - if Direkt router can not transmit using the first network interface, it automatically switches to the second etc.
- Network bonding using Bifrost Reliable Transport - video streams can be transmitted over multiple networks for increased video quality and robustness
- Easy to configure via display and keypad
- Can be controlled via web interface over network
- Can be supervised, trouble shooted and remote controlled via ISS — Intinors system for statistics and supervision
- Backup settings can be handled via the web interface or ISS
- Software upgrade can be handled via the web interface, ISS or USB memory
- Peak Programme Meter (PPM) for easy calibration of audio level
- Settings can be stored in profiles for different broadcast locations or destinations
- Can record to files, in the video format it receives
- Recorded files can be fetched via the web interface
- Can share Internet access to devices connected to the second network port (IP2)

1.2 Customizations

Direkt router can be customized using options. See Intinor home page or contact a sales person at Intinor.

Chapter 2

Technical overview

Intinor Direkt router receives video, compressed using MPEG-2, H.264 or H.265, from computer networks and re-sends via IP net to one or multiple destinations. 2000IP handles six concurrent input streams - channels.

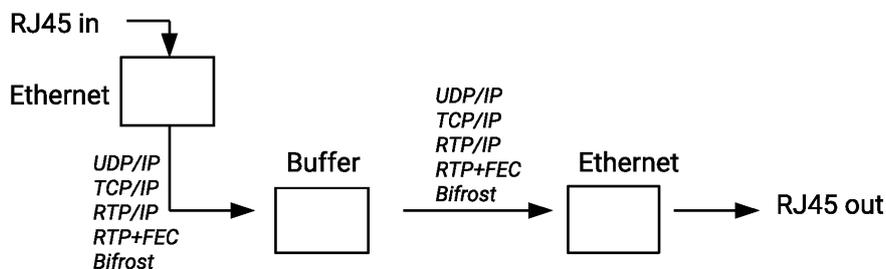


Figure 2.1: *technical overview*

2.1 Input

The Direkt routers input is a RJ45-connector (TP) 10/100/1000 mbps. The input is called "IP1".

2.2 Transport in and out

Direkt router receives and re-sends MPEG transport streams over IP either using UDP, RTP, RTP+FEC, Bifrost Reliable Transport or TCP.

Transport methods are described more detailed in chapter 3.2.

The Direkt router can be configured to listen for multiple transport methods simultaneously.

2.3 Output

Direkt router's output is a RJ45-connector (TP) Ethernet 10/100/1000. The primary output is "IP1", but also "IP2" can be used as output.

Chapter 3

Usage

3.1 User interfaces

Intinor Direkt router has three user interfaces:

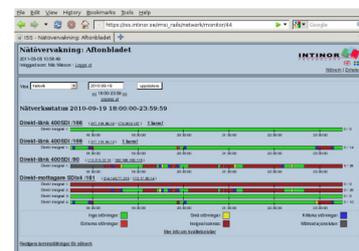
- The web interface gives access to all configuration options. The web interface is described in chapter 3.12
- The display and keypad on the Direkt router gives access to basic configurations. The display can be used when the web interface is unavailable. See chapter 3.11
- ISS is used for supervision, status, remote control and trouble shooting. See chapter 3.4



(a) Web interface



(b) PPM, display and keypad



(c) ISS for supervision and trouble shooting

Figure 3.1: Different user interfaces

3.2 Transport methods

Direkt router supports different technologies for both transport in from Direkt link's and transport over IP networks to one or several receivers.

When sending between two Intinor units, Bifrost is always the preferred protocol to use. Other protocols are only for interoperability with other equipment. More information on Bifrost can be found in a separate document on Intinor web page.

3.2.1 UDP multicast

Multicast streams can only be used if it is supported in the network where it is to be used for broadcasting of video and audio. This issue should be discussed with the network administrator as this is usually not supported.

If there is support for multicast, it is usually possible to find multicast addresses and ports on your own. Multicast addresses between 224.0.0.0 to 239.255.255.255.

If multicast is used, it does not matter what IP-address the receiver is configured to. Several receivers can be simultaneously linked to the stream.

UDP multicast is a suitable transport methods for distribution to many receivers on the same local network (e.g. IPTV applications and internal distribution on a LAN).

3.2.2 UDP unicast

If there is no support for multicast, then unicast is to be used to stream to each receiver.

IP-numbers on receiver must be known and configured in one of the following ways:

- a) The receiver has a static IP-number. Intinor Direkt receiver and Direkt router can be configured easily via display and keypad.
- b) The receiver uses DHCP and always receives the same IP-number from the DHCP-server on the local network. Contact the network administrator.

3.2.3 Stream TCP

Direkt link and Direkt router can “Stream TCP” (i.e. broadcast TCP-streams) to one or several receivers. The receiver must be configured to receive the stream - TCP (receive). The receiver buffers for a couple of seconds before it playing video and audio. If packets are lost, there is a request to resend them. This means that only major network interruptions result in video disturbances.

The size of the TCP buffer can be configured on the receiving unit. A value between 0.3 and 0.5 is good for an interview with studio feedback. For a transmission during a longer period of time without feedback, 3-10 seconds is recommended.

IP-number on receiver must be known and configured as for “UDP unicast” above.

3.2.4 RTP and RTP + FEC

RTP (Real Time Protocol) is a layer on top of UDP for video and audio in realtime. It allows the receiver to handle in a better way certain types of errors during the transmis-

sion. FEC includes extra data which allows the receiver to handle small packet loss without compromising or affecting the image quality.

Both RTP and FEC requires multiple UDP ports in the range between transmitter and receiver. We recommend 10 ports reserved starting by an even number. For example, UDP port 6010-6019 for the first RTP stream and 6020-6029 for the next.

RTP and FEC are send as UDP. The Intinor receivers are therefore configured to receive a UDP streams and detect the RTP and FEC used on top of the UDP packets in the stream.

FEC provides error correction over the Internet with lower delay than TCP as described above. However it requires more bandwidth and also adds some delay compared to UDP or RTP without FEC. The advanced user can adjust the FEC settings in the web interface to achieve low latency or robust link which can handle more dropped UDP packets in a row.

3.2.5 Network bonding using Bifrost Reliable Transport

Network bonding is an extended network functionality for Direkt router which allows the capacity from multiple physical connections to be aggregated. The sender can use several Internet connections at once to increase the capacity. It can also be used for redundancy. Network bonding means the Direkt router can use multiple 4G/LTE-modems and land-line Internet connections in different combinations.

Bifrost reliable transport is the most suitable transport method for live broadcasts over Internet. Intinor receivers can be configured to receive both UDP- and TCP-based protocols. It detects the incoming signal, and no configuration is needed to switch between transport methods.

3.2.6 RTMP for web TV

Direkt router can also send streams in RTMP (Real Time Messaging Protocol) and RTMPT (RTMP over HTTP - makes it easy to send through firewalls) format. By using RTMP, one can send directly to a number of different providers of streaming for web TV. RTMP can only be configured using the web interface.

3.2.7 Network Failover

Direkt router sends on the first interface which has Internet access (or all interfaces if protocol Bifrost is used). A Direkt router can be connected using IP1 to one Internet connection and IP2 to another at the same time. If the first network works, it will send using it, but if it's not connected or doesn't work, it will send over IP2. If IP1 Internet fails during a transmission, Direkt router will switch within a few seconds to transmit over IP2. An ongoing transmission using IP2 will not switch to IP1 as long as IP2 works.

Also the connection to ISS for management will failover to the first interface with Internet connection.

A network interface which is not connected to Internet is tested every 10 seconds. If the interface has link (or modem connected) the following connections are tested:

1. iss.intinor.se port 22017
2. iss.intinor.se port 80
3. 8.8.8.8 port 53

If any of those servers accept the connection, the Internet is considered to work on the interface and the test is finished.

3.2.8 TCP on request

If “TCP on request” is activated on the Direkt router, it is possible for one or more receivers, to actively request data streams - TCP (on request) on the receiver. Error correction functions as described in “Stream TCP” above.

IP-numbers on Direkt router must be known and configured in one of the following ways:

- a) A static IP-number that can be easily configured via display and keypad.
- b) It uses DHCP, and always receives the same IP-number from the DHCP-server on the local network. Contact the network administrator for more information.

3.2.9 Multiple transport methods at the same time

The inputs on Direkt router can be configured for multiple transport methods at the same time. When it does not have a input signal, it can wait for both UDP and TCP and it does not need to be reconfigured when the sender switches from UDP to TCP.

If encoding is not adaptive, it is possible to use multiple transport methods on the output - The Direkt link can broadcast TCP streams to some receivers, while sending an RTMP stream and deliver TCP-streams on demand to other receivers.

3.3 Adaptive bitrate

Adaptive bitrate in a network functionality for an interruption-free transmission between sender and receiver. It means that the sender adapts to the current capacity for the Internet connection/connections in use, which happens at once. Adaptive bitrate provides safety and simplicity for the user, who can focus on the live broadcast instead of worry about the Internet connection to maybe loose capacity.

Adaptive bitrate can only be used for one stream using transport method TCP or Bifrost reliable transport.

3.4 ISS - for statistics and supervision

ISS is Intinor's system for statistics, supervision, alarms and remote control of Direkt link, Direkt router and Direkt receiver. Units connects to a ISS server and regularly sends information about status on software, hardware, networks and disturbances in the incoming signal.

Connection to ISS uses failover in the same way as outgoing video streams. See chapter 3.2.7.

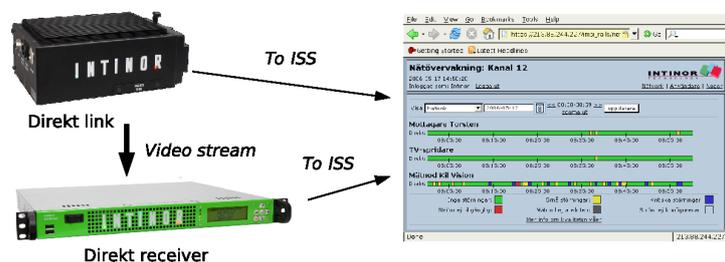


Figure 3.2: ISS for statistics and supervision

ISS eases installation and test - the user can log on by him/herself, or the Intinor support can assist with this. Via ISS it is possible make sure that:

- The Direkt link's network is functioning as intended.
- The Direkt link is not blocked by a firewall.
- The Direkt link has an incoming signal (test picture or video from camera/editing).
- The Direkt receiver's network is correctly configured and functioning as intended.
- The Direkt receiver is receiving a video stream from the Direkt link.

When web TV is sent using RTMP one can not supervise the receiver using ISS. But ISS shows warnings in case not all data that is sent arrives at the receiver / CDN. Check for warnings (purple color).

When broadcasting live, it is valuable to know that the Internet has enough bandwidth. Therefore, it is wise to test a broadcast to the Direkt receiver and to use ISS to make sure that the received video stream does not contain interference.

If interference is detected in ISS, one or more of the following actions can be considered:

- Is it possible to upgrade the network connection, or in other ways fix it?
- Is it possible to accept lower video quality? - If so, switch encoding mode or activate adaptive bitrate

- Using UDP or RTP? Add RTP+FEC. Is it possible to accept longer delay? - If so, switch to TCP.
- Is the receiver an Intinor unit. Switch to Bifrost.

When the connection is functioning to satisfaction, it is recommended that the link remains on until the actual broadcasting begins. Use ISS to look for interference; only accept a few interferences per hour during a longer period of time. If there are more occurrences of interference, follow the description above. Please, contact Intinor support for assistance when needed.

Using ISS, it is also possible to configure alarms to be sent via SMS and e-mail if the network connection is dropped, if there is no incoming stream, or if fans or hard disks are not functioning properly.

If there is a problem with a unit, it is also possible to view graphs showing the temperature, fan speed and voltage. This information can be useful when troubleshooting.

From ISS, a unit can also be remote controlled, also if it's behind a firewall. The ISS user can use the local web interface if access is confirmed from the display or web interface. The need for confirmation can be disabled by a non-user system configuration if an easier behavior is preferred.

Intinor support is also able to view the unit's configurations, status etc. from ISS, and thereby assist in setting up configurations and upgrading. This is possible even when the user is unable to connect to the unit's web interface.

3.5 IP1, IP2 ...

Direkt router has two network interfaces on the back marked IP1 and IP2.

IP1 should be connected to the Internet so that Direkt router can connect to ISS and send and receive IP streams. The IP number for IP1 shows in ISS, on the display and that is used when accessing Direkt router's web interface via IP1

IP2 is per default configured as management - a service interface that can be used to activate and use Internet access, for easy access to ISS and web interface on Direkt router. IP2 can also be configured as an extra Internet connection for network failover or bonding.

3.5.1 More optional interfaces

Direkt router can be equipped with additional wired or wireless network interfaces.

3.6 IP2 as management

With IP2 as management, Direkt router act as a network router. If compared to a home Internet router, IP1 is WAN and IP2 is LAN. By connecting units on IP2, Internet can be accessed and also settings on Direkt router. To do this IP2, must be in management mode (default). Do not connect IP2 to your office LAN - it will create conflicts with your DHCPserver/router.

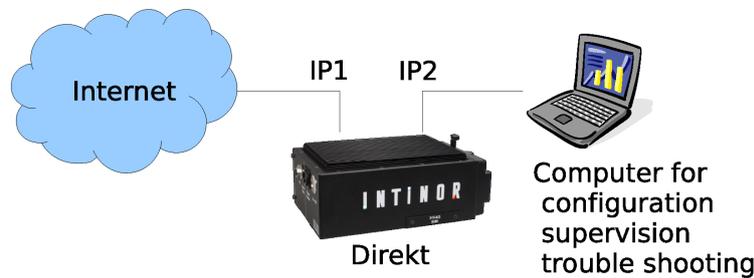


Figure 3.3: IP2 can be used for configuration and supervision

3.6.1 Log on to the Internet

A computer connected to IP2 can get access to the Internet through Direkt router. If Internet access requires log in with user name and password (common at hotels and conference centers), it's possible to open a web browser on the computer and log in for Direkt router.

3.6.2 Supervise using ISS

Go to iss.intinor.se using the web browser and log in with user name and password from Intinor. Then you can supervise and trouble shoot the units you have access to.

3.6.3 Configure Direkt router

Log in to Direkt router by connecting to its IP-number (check network -> Current IP using display and keypad) using a web browser to access local status and all configuration.

3.6.4 Watch outgoing video stream on computer

Use VLC and watch outgoing video stream using TCP according to chapter 4.2. TCP on request must be active on Direkt router.

3.7 Access control

With access control, one can control on Direkt router which senders it accepts video streams from.

Access control works for transport methods UDP multicast, UDP unicast, RTP, RTP+FEC, Bifrost and stream TCP (see chapter 3.2). Without access control, Direkt router locks itself on the Direkt link which it first receives from.

Intinor's Direkt link's can be identified in two different ways - either using IP numbers or keys.

The advantage of using keys is that Direkt router can receive from a specific Direkt link without knowing its IP number. The key for a Direkt link can be found under the system tab in its web interface. For key identification to work, the difference in system time between sender and receiver must be less than 30 seconds.

Direkt router does not have its own access key. If access control is to be used on a receiver which a Direkt router forwards to, the receiver need to be configured with one of:

- a) access key from the Direkt link creating the video stream
- b) IP number from Direkt router sending to the receiver.

If multiple Direkt link's, which are accepted on Direkt router sends simultaneously, it locks on the IP number which comes first.

Access control is configured using the web interface (see chapter 3.12.2).

3.8 Record files

Direkt router can record video files on one of the following:

- a) Storage unit with USB support
- b) Internal hard disk - option on rack units with rack+ option

Internal hard disk is more suitable in combination with options such as automatic file synchronization to FTP server, share files to local network etc. A USB storage unit is easy to move to another computer for post production or other use.

Menus for recording and file handling appears in display and web interface when storage unit is available.

Recording means that the video stream Direkt router is broadcasting also is stored on the storage unit. "Storage unit" can be a hard drive, a USB-memory, P2-reader, NAS-RAID etc. One limitation is that Direkt router only communicates with one USB unit, this being the first unit that is detected.

The following file systems are supported on Direkt router:

File system	Support in operating system	Max file size
FAT32	Windows, Mac, Linux	Max 4GB
NTFS	Windows, Linux	Larger than 4GB
ext3	Linux	Larger than 4GB

Formatting can be carried out from display or web interface.

Recording is activated via display or web interface. Or using an external Stream deck mixer control. Direkt router creates file names based on the time when the recording was started.

When Direkt router has recorded 1 GB (default) it begins recording to a new file. The size and path of generated files can be changed from the web Interface.

Files are saved as MPEG-transport streams (MPEG-TS) and/or in Flash format (.flv) and can be played on a PC with, for example, VLC see chapter 4.2).

Files from Direkt router can also be sent to streaming provider for web TV.

When recording is in progress the menu option changes name to "stop recording".

3.9 Profiles and active settings

A profile is a collection of settings for, among other things, easing broadcasting from different locations when Direkt router 2000IP receives streams from multiple Direkt link's. Profiles consist of configurations for network, inputs and output streams.

From the web interface, profiles can be added, changed and renamed.

3.9.1 The following is included in a profile

In a profile all configurations are included, except test picture on/off, recording to storage medium on/off and customized test picture.

Configuration for SIM cards, Wifi and cost management are system settings and not stored in profiles

3.9.2 Active settings

The configurations that Direkt router uses are active settings. When the user chooses to use a profile with a particular name, the settings of the profile is copied to the active settings of Direkt link, which the starts using them. Current settings are removed and replaced by the settings defined in the profile.

3.9.3 To change active settings

The user can select a particular profile and change e.g. IP-number or port for input stream. This is a change to the active setting, but does not affect the profile that the settings come from. Thus, the user does not mistakenly “mess up” the profile with the keypad. The display displays “Manual conf.”.

3.9.4 Save as a new profile

If the user saves a new profile, the current settings are stored. The first new profile that is saved gets the name “new profile #1”, the other one “new profile #2” and so on. Via the web interface it is possible to edit, rename or delete the new profiles.

3.9.5 Edit profile

Profiles can only be edited and renamed via the web interface.

3.10 Peak Programme Meter (PPM)

Direkt router has a built-in peak programme meter (the four diodes to the left of the display). This can be used as a measure to make sure the sound levels are OK. Note that the PPM should not be used as a precision instrument for in-measurement.

On Direkt router, PPM displays only audio level for stream received on IP input 1. The peak programme meter is based on IEC 60268-18, and displays if the maximum value of the left and right audio channel is above a certain level.

Peak Programme Meter (PPM)			
PPM (dBFS)			
⇒ -12 (green)	-9 (orange)	-6 (red)	Top diode can have three colors.
⇒ -15 (green)		-3 (red)	
⇒ -21 (green)		-1 (red)	
⇒ -27 (green)			Lowest diod indicates audio signal in

To comply with EBU-R68, the following must be valid:

- Calibration level (0dB) should correspond to -18dBFS - two green LEDs
- Maximum level for normal program is -12dBFS - max three green LEDs
- Maximum allowed peaks are -9dBFS - the top LED should never turn orange

If Direkt router detects a audio distortion, it blinks red with all four diodes on the PPM.

3.11 Configure via display and keypad

There is no built-in display/keypad on Direkt router lite. It can be configured via USB computer keyboard and HDMI monitor. All units can be configured from ISS if they have Internet access. Display + keypad can also be bought from Intinor as an accessory if needed.

The display on Direkt router displays status information and can, together with the keypad, be used to configure.

With the keypad, the user can choose settings from a profile, change the active settings and store configurations as a new profile. It is also possible to turn the test picture and recording on and off. These configurations are not saved in profiles, they are global configurations.

With the keypad, it is not possible to change the profiles, but only the active settings.

3.11.1 Status information

When the Direkt router starts, the display is in status mode. In this mode, the status information is displayed (current bit rate out or input signal missing).

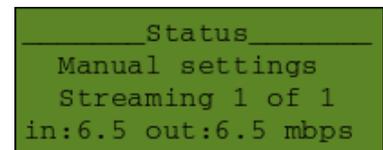


Figure 3.4: status mode

3.11.2 Main menu

If OK is pressed - the green symbol - the main menu is activated where it is possible to access different configurations and test functionality. In the main menu, there is several options that can be selected by using the arrow up, and down, on the keypad.



Figure 3.5: keypad

A star in the menu (*) indicates that a menu option is activated e.g. dynamic IP.

Main menu		
Network	Network settings	Active settings
IP stream in 1..6	configure the input streams	
Profiles	Select or save configuration profile	
Start/Stop recording (not saved in profile)	Record stream to storage-unit	Show if storage unit is connected
Recording status		

Configurations that are made in the menus “Network” and “IP stream in” affect the Direkt router’s active settings i.e. the configurations currently in use. They does not affect the

profile that might be used, but can be saved as a new profile after the configurations has been done.

3.11.3 Network

In the network menu, the network is controlled and configurations can be made. Configurations are only valid for the Ethernet port labeled “IP1”.

Network	
Test Internet conn.	Make sure Direkt router can access the Internet.
Current IP	Show the current IP number on Direkt router
Static IP	Switch to or change static network configurations
Dynamic IP	Change to dynamic IP-number and get a IP-number with DHCP
Show network status	Show if the network is connected, the port’s speed 10, 100 or 1000mbps and full or half duplex.
Show MAC-address	Can be useful to know when configuring the DHCP-server on the network in order to make Direkt router always receive the same IP-number.
Test bandwidth	Check available bandwidth by uploading data to and downloading data from one Intinor server

Test Internet Conn.

The menu option makes the Direkt router connect to a name server on the Internet (8.8.8.8). Also connection to ISS is tested. The Internet does not need to be operational in order to set up a video link in a private network. Without the Internet, ISS and software upgrade don’t work.

Static IP

When choosing static IP, Direkt router is configured with a static IP-number, a network mask and a default gateway. The configurations are not activated until “Activate static IP” is selected.

Dynamic IP

Dynamic Internet configuration means that Direkt router, when starting up, asks the network with DHCP which network configurations to be used.

If OK on Dynamic IP is pressed, the option to activate is given. This means that Direkt router requests an IP-number from the network and uses it. Later, it is advisable to return to “Current IP” to make sure that Direkt router received an IP-number. This configuration is saved directly.

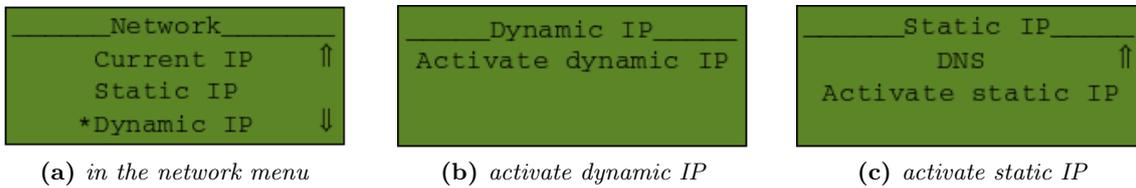


Figure 3.6: Network settings

3.11.4 IP stream in 1..6

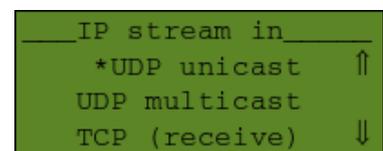
Configure and choose transport method for input signal on Direkt router. Those are described in chapter 3.2.

Direkt router 2000IP has 6 “IP stream in”. All of those can be configured via the display or web interface.

IP stream in	
UDP unicast	choose UDP port and activate unicast in. UDP port also defines start port for RTP, RTP+FEC and Bifrost
UDP multicast	choose multicast address and port and activate multicast in
TCP (receive)	choose TCP port and activate that other units can stream TCP to the Direkt router
TCP (on request)	choose IP number and port for a Direkt link or Direkt router, which this unit can request a TCP stream from
Output streams	create or adjust destinations for sending to
TCP recv. buffer	adjust receiving buffer for TCP (see chapter 3.2.3)

3.11.5 Output streams

Direkt router plays one or more video streams over computer networks. An explanation for the difference between UDP and TCP streams are available in chapter 3.2. The term UDP-stream implies both UDP unicast and UDP multicast.



The following menu options are present under the menu “Streams”. **Figure 3.7:** IP stream in

Output streams	
List streams	List and de-activate UDP or TCP streams that Direkt router is configured to broadcast.
New UDP stream	Add an UDP stream
New TCP stream	Add a TCP stream
TCP on request	Activate TCP on request and choose the number for the TCP port.
New RTP stream	Add an RTP stream
New RTP+FEC stream	Add an RTP+FEC stream
New Bifrost stream	Add an Bifrost stream
UDP smoothing buffer	adjust smoothing buffer for UDP streams

List streams

Show which UDP and TCP streams (IP-number or multicast addresses) that Direkt router is currently broadcasting. Active streams are marked with a star. If the user press OK once on a stream, the unicast or multicast port are shown. Another press on OK renders the option to activate/de-activate the stream.

New UDP stream

Add a new UDP-stream by configuring IP-number (or multicast address) and port. When “activate stream” is selected and confirmed, Direkt router begins to broadcast the new stream.

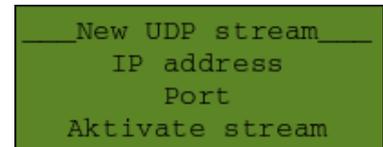


Figure 3.8: *new stream*

New TCP stream

Add a new TCP stream by configuring IP-number and port to the receiver. When “activate stream” have been selected, the Direkt router begins broadcasting the new stream.

TCP on request

Activate Direkt router to listen for requests and broadcast TCP streams on requests. Also, specify which TCP port that is to be used.

UDP smoothing buffer

The bit rate that is generated by a video encoder changes during a second. The UDP smoothing buffer reduces the variations and the risk for packet loss in the network. A smaller buffer creates less delay. If the network has much higher capacity than the Direkt link needs, this buffer can be set to 0.01.

UDP smoothing buffer is relevant for transport methods UDP, RTP, RTP+FEC and Bifrost.

3.11.6 Profiles

Profiles are described in chapter 3.9.

Profiles	
Select profile	Copy active settings from optional profile
Save new profile	Save current active settings as a new profile

Select profile

Select among the preset profiles in Direkt router. Configurations that are part of a profile with a particular name are copied to the Direkt router's active settings and starts being used. Current settings are removed and replaced by the ones that are part of the selected profile.

The user can, for a particular profile, change e.g. IP-number or stream quality, which is a change of active settings, but does not affect the profile that the settings are copied from.

3.11.7 Start/stop recording

Start recording is located in the menu if a storage unit is connected. For more information about recording, see chapter 3.8. When recording is in progress the menu option changes name to "stop recording".

Start recording is a global settings which affects all available encoders and IP inputs. There is an option to start/stop recording individually if preferred. Contact Intinor to activate separate recording option.

3.11.8 Recording status

Recording status is located in the menu if a storage unit is connected and shows available storage on the storage device.

When recording status is shown, it's also possible to format the storage unit by pressing up arrow. Formatting is described in chapter 3.8.

3.12 The web interface

Via the web interface, the user or administrator of Direkt router can perform all configurations that are available via the keypad, and also the following:

- View status for inputs and outputs with resolution and stream information

- Change profiles
- Configure the second Ethernet port - “IP2”
- Handle files
- Change password for logging on via the web interface
- Create and administrate local user accounts
- Make a backup copy of all configurations
- Upgrade Direkt router’s software
- Restart Direkt router.

For information regarding the functions that also are available via the display, see chapter 3.11. This chapter describes the functionality that is available in the web interface, but not via display and keyboard.

The web interface can be accessed using a web browser of your choice with secure http on Direkt router’s number e.g. <https://192.168.0.1>

The first time the web interface is accessed, the web browser will ask if it should accept the web server’s certificate. We recommend the option “Accept this certificate permanently” (or similar). Possibly, a warning will appear stating that the domain name of the certificate does not coincide with the web server. This is normally not an indication that something is wrong.

Units can be remote controlled via the local web interface from ISS. This makes it easy to access units also when they are located behind a firewall. Normal behaviour is that remote control must be accepted via display/keypad, but Intinor can configure units to always allow remote control from specific ISS users. Contact Intinor support

Direkt router is delivered with the following user:

User: admin
Password: 1234

Intinor recommend that the password of admin is changed in the web interface under the tab “System”. This is important if Direkt router is accessible via the Internet.

Please note that if the network configurations are changed via the web interface, or if a profile is activated with other network configurations, it is possible that the connection to the Direkt router is lost. If this happens, it is possible to view the “Current IP” using the keypad and then re-connect using the instructions above.

3.12.1 Status

Here is status information concerning the unit, its inputs and destinations. For each input connected to any of the options transcoder, multiview or SDI out, it is possible to view e.g. picture format and aspect ratio. For destinations that can not be reached, an error message is displayed.

3.12.2 Active settings

All active settings can be stored in - and retrieved from - profiles. This is also true for advanced settings.

Networks

Under the network tab Direkt router's network connections can be configured.

IP stream in

Access control is configured under this tab (see chapter 3.7). All units, which use to send to Direkt router 2000IP can be listed. It is then easy for the user to de-activate those which are not currently in use.

The advanced user can adjust the receiving buffer for TCP.

3.12.3 Profiles

Here, it is possible to save active settings that a new profile can change, choose or delete profiles.

3.12.4 System

Configurations on the system tab are not saved in profiles.

Login and users

The admin user can log in and control everything from the web interface. Change the administrator password if the unit is available on the Internet. The advanced administrator can also add more users with access to view or control different parts of the system.

Access control

The sender key can be copied to Intinor Direkt receiver and Direkt router to allow access from this unit. Paste in under active settings on the receiver where access control is wished for.

Time and date

The time is only used when Direkt router stores data on a storage unit. The file name on saved files is based on the time on Direkt router's built in clock.

If Direkt router is connected to ISS, it receives the time automatically. In this case, manual configuration of time is not necessary.

Managing settings

Here, the user can make a backup copy of all of Direkt router's settings. It is saved in XML-format and can be sent to Intinor for analysis, if troubleshooting is needed.

Software upgrade

If Direkt router is connected to the Internet, the software can be upgraded using Intinor's servers.

Click on the link "upgrade the software..." to get to the upgrade-page.

Click on "Show current version numbers" to receive information regarding available software's from Intinor's web site. Beta software contains new, and somewhat untested, functionality. Testing software is always the newest only for testing new features in non-production. It is recommended to primarily use stable software or beta if new features are needed for production.

Normally, the user can upgrade to the newest stable-, beta- or testing software by clicking on the corresponding button. Advanced upgrade is only used in exceptional cases, in dialog with Intinor. This can be the case, for example when new functionality is developed for a specific cause.

Upgrades are completed in approximately 30 seconds and are followed by a restart. Do not interrupt Direkt router while upgrade is in progress (shown on the display).

Upgrade via the web interface requires that Direkt router has access to the Internet and is not blocked by a firewall (see chapter 5). If this is not possible, Intinor can provide a USB memory stick for software upgrade.

System restart

Restart should never be needed. However, it can be useful sometimes for trouble shooting purposes to be able to restart Direkt router.

Restart all streams takes just a second and restarts engine on Direkt router. The process, which receives and sends data streams is restarted and all output streams have short disruptions.

Full system reboot is a soft reboot which is usually enough to fully restart a system.

On rack units, one can also “Power cycle system” from the web interface. This means approximately the same as disconnect and connect the power cord on Direkt router. It is sometimes needed after a software upgrade to update the firmware on an SDI card and also if SIM cards have been added to modems.

3.12.5 Files

Here, it is possible to list, download and delete files from a connected storage unit or from the media bank if the Direkt router has a video mixer. The page for file management is only available if a storage unit is connected or video mixer is available.

Under the tab “recorded files”, only files that have been recorded using Direkt router is listed. For recorded files, additional information is available, to show date of recording and recording length.

The tab “all files” gives access to all files on the storage unit and is used for example to erase large files to free up storage for new recordings.

If the Direkt router has a video mixer, file inputs and overlays are stored in sub-directories of the Media bank

If the storage unit has sub folders, these are listed above the files and it is possible to navigate between folders.

Files can be downloaded using the web browser for playback, or to save for e.g. editing or archiving.

Selected files can be removed. To rapidly remove numerous files, it is possible to mark all listed files at the same time.

Formatting of file system is described in chapter 3.8.

Chapter 4

Receivers

Streams from Intinor Direkt router can be received and displayed using Intinor Direkt receiver and Direkt router, digital TV boxes for broadband-TV, PC or receivers from other vendors, for example Haivision.

4.1 Intinor Direkt receiver and Direkt router

The Intinor Direkt receiver and Direkt router with SDI outputs can be used to receive streams from all models of Direkt link and Direkt router. Using an Intinor receiver/router has the following advantages:

- + Easy to configure and administrate.
- + Support for ISS - Intinors system for statistics, supervision and alarms.
- + Can receive UDP unicast and multicast from Direkt link and other MPEG-encoders.
- + Support for error correction using Bifrost reliable transport from Direkt link and Direkt router.
- + Support for adaptive bitrate from Direkt link and Direkt router.



(a) *Direkt receiver*



(b) *Direkt router*

Figure 4.1: *Intinor Direkt receiver/router*

4.2 PC:s

PC:s equipped with the software VLC from www.videolan.org can be used to watch unicast or multicast streams from the Direkt router.

1. Install VLC (www.videolan.org).
2. Start VLC and open a network stream.
3. Choose one of the following:
 - a) UDP/RTP port <port> for UDP unicast.
 - b) UDP/RTP multicast address <multicast adress> port <port> for UDP multicast



- c) tcp://<IP-number>:<port> for TCP (TCP on request from Direkt router)

If VLC does not work correctly together with H.264 from Direct link, test one or both of the following:

1. Upgrade to the latest version of VLC
2. Choose to broadcast progressive (see chapter ??).

4.3 Web TV

Direkt router can stream RTMP to Wowza Media Server or MistServer for web streaming. If control via ISS and network bonding via Bifrost reliable transport is wanted, it is possible to construct a system where Direkt router is used as a receiver and forwards the stream to Wowza/MistServer in an existing system. Mist server can also be integrated to a Direkt router. Please, contact Intinor for more information.



Chapter 5

Firewalls

If broadcasting with Direkt link is performed within an internal network, such as a local area network (LAN), or a Metropolitan area network (MAN), it is often necessary to handle firewalls. In order to get access to the control room of a TV-channel, or get outside a cooperation network, it can be necessary to configure a firewall to allow traffic.

Intinor's engineers aid the configuration, and gives hints as how to configure firewalls.

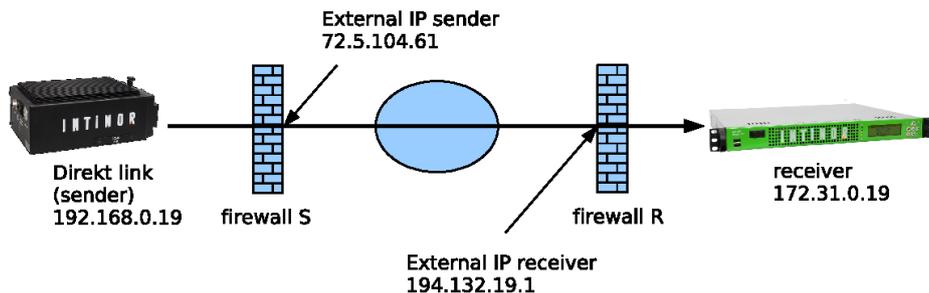


Figure 5.1: Example with firewalls

5.1 To send web TV using RTMP

Usually, no configuration of firewalls is needed in order to broadcast web TV streams (RTMP) from a Direkt link. Most networks allow outgoing IP traffic by default. In other cases, the firewall can be configured for outgoing data on TCP port 1935, which is used by RTMP.

If configuring the firewall is not possible, one must change to RTMPT in Direkt link's web interface - change RTMP to RTMPT in "RTMP URL". Then Direkt link sends RTMP over HTTP on port 80, which firewalls always use to pass out.

Feel free to follow the instructions below to send web TV:

1. Try to send RTMP using settings from streaming provider.
2. If the stream does not come through, try to open TCP port 1935 out on the firewall.
3. If it is not possible to open the firewall, change to RTMPT using Direkt link's web interface.

RTMPT requires higher bandwidth so that the risk for interruptions in the stream is higher. RTMPT from Direkt link also does not work with all streaming servers. Because of this, try RTMP first.

5.2 To send UDP, RTP, RTP+FEC, Bifrost or TCP (live broadcasting)

Usually, no configuration of firewalls is needed in order to broadcast IP-streams (UDP or TCP) from a Direkt link. Most networks allow outgoing IP traffic by default. In other cases, configuration of the firewall is required so it allows outgoing data traffic to a particular destination port e.g. 6010. When RTP or RTP+FEC is used, a range of ports is required where the first port has an even number. It is a good idea to open up 10 ports in a row (6010-6019) for both UDP as well as TCP to make it simple to change protocol later.

A receiver that receives an IP stream and is located behind a firewall must have a static IP number. The firewall should be configured in such a way that it allows request from a specific port series to the receiver (preferably for both UDP as well as TCP).

Feel free to follow the instructions below to broadcast IP-streams (repeat the instructions for each receiver):

1. Choose a port range to broadcast to. The ports must be available on firewall R e.g. 6010-6019.
2. Make sure the receiver have a known IP number e.g. 172.31.0.19.
3. Make sure the firewall R lets through UDP and TCP traffic on port 6010-6019 to 172.31.0.19.
4. Find out the receivers external IP number (e.g. 194.132.19.1). It is possible to use ISS to find this out.
5. Configure the Direkt link to broadcast to the receiver's external IP number and selected port.
6. If no stream reaches the receiver, it can be due to firewall S not letting out UDP or TCP traffic on the selected port. Check if this is the case.

5.3 TCP on request (distribution)

A Direkt link that is configured with TCP on request receives requests on a specified TCP port, e.g. 5040. If the Direkt link is behind a firewall it has to have a static IP number (see chapter 3.2.8) and the firewall must be configured to let through requests to a specific TCP port to the Direkt link.

To get a receiver to receive TCP streams, it is usually not necessary to make configurations, even if it is behind a firewall. If this is not the case, the firewall should be configured to let through requests pointed to a specific TCP port e.g. 5040.

Feel free to follow the instructions below to allow the receiver request TCP:

1. Choose a TCP port to request from. The port must be free on firewall S e.g. 5040.
2. Make sure Direkt link has a known IP number e.g. 192.168.0.19.
3. Make sure firewall S lets through TCP traffic on port 5040 to 192.168.0.19.
4. Find out Direkt link's external IP number (e.g. 72.5.104.61). It is possible to use ISS to find out the external IP number.
5. Configure the receiver to request TCP from Direkt link's external IP number and selected port.
6. If no stream gets to the receiver, it can be due to firewall R not letting out traffic on the selected TCP port. Check if this is the case.

5.4 Upgrade and ISS

Upgrade and ISS (see chapter 3.4) connect with TCP to Intinor's servers. Usually, no configuration of firewalls is required for this operation. In other cases, make the following configuration:

Upgrade	TCP port 9022 out to Intinor's upgrade server (upgrade-direkt.intinor.se)
ISS	TCP+UDP port 22017 out to ISS (iss.intinor.se)

All Intinor Direkt units, which are blocked by a firewall try to connect to ISS using HTTP, which often works.
Upgrade can also be performed from a USB memory.

5.5 Web interface

To access the web interface on the Direkt link, Direkt router or Direkt receiver through a firewall, it is required that the unit has a static IP number and that the firewall is set to let through requests to TCP port 443 on the specific unit. To download files from Direkt link or Direkt router it is required that TCP port 80 is opened.

If using a video mixer on Direkt link or router panel on Direkt router, the thumb nail pictures will update much more often if web interface is used direct (not via ISS).

All Intinor Direkt units can be remote controlled from ISS. Because of this, opening ports for web interface is not necessary.
Files can not be downloaded using remote control.

5.6 Cheat sheet - receiver for live broadcasting

The firewall used together with Direkt receiver or Direkt router for broadcasting is normally configured only once.

If the receiver can be given a public IP number on the internet, no firewall is needed.

ISS	TCP+UDP port 22017 out
Upgrade	TCP port 9022 out
Video stream in	any. e.g. TCP+UDP port 6010-6019 in for IP stream in 1, TCP+UDP port 6020-6029 in for IP stream in 2 etc.

5.7 Cheat sheet - Direkt link for live broadcasting

If the Direkt link can be assigned a public IP number, no firewall configuration is needed.

If the Direkt link is located on the Internet behind a “friendly” firewall, which is open for outgoing traffic, no firewall configuration is needed.

If the Direkt link is located on the Internet behind a “strict” firewall, which blocks outgoing traffic, the following firewall configuration is required:

ISS	TCP+UDP port 22017 out
Video stream out	any, e.g. TCP+UDP port 6010-6019 for encoder 1 out, TCP+UDP port 6020-6029 for encoder 2 out etc.
RTMP out	TCP port 1935 out

Chapter 6

Trouble shooting

6.1 Use ISS

Direkt units connects to ISS via TCP or UDP port 22017. If that fails, they try instead with HTTP over port 80 (works through almost all firewalls). If a Direkt unit is forced to connect using port 80 is displayed as a warning in ISS. It usually means that the firewall must be opened for it to send video. See chapter 5.

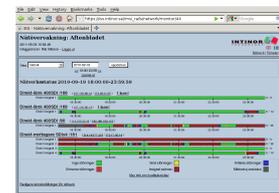


Figure 6.1: ISS

Use ISS to make sure both Direkt link and Direkt receiver are connected. If a unit is gray in ISS, it can be due to the following reasons:

1. The network does not function properly, or is configured in an incorrect way (see the troubleshooting below).
2. The unit is behind a firewall that blocks the connection to ISS. If this is the case, the possibility is that it also lacks the ability to broadcast a video stream (see chapter 5).
3. Direkt link and receiver is connected via private LAN or VPN without Internet connection. It is possible to use Direkt link in this way, but it is not possible to use ISS for monitoring and troubleshooting.

If the network functions to satisfaction, but no video stream is coming from the receiver, please continue troubleshooting streams according to section 6.3.

6.2 Network

Access the network menu with the display interface located on the unit. Make sure the network is functioning on the unit with the gray color in ISS by following the instructions below:

1. Display network status - IP1 shall show 100 Mbps, full or similar. If this is not the case, check the network cable, network outlet, and network switch that the unit is connected to.
2. Note if the unit is configured to dynamic or static IP by checking which of the following menu options are marked with *.
 - a) If the unit uses “Dynamic IP” check its “Current IP” on the unit. If it does not have an IP number, it does not receive an IP number from any DHCP server.
 - b) If the unit has static IP number, make sure IP number, network mask, and gateway is functioning correctly.

3. If the unit is connected to the Internet (i.e. not via private LAN or VPN), make sure the network connection is functioning with “test Internet” in the network menu. If the unit is not connected to the Internet, try to connect to its web interface with a computer (see chapter 3.12).

If all above is functioning, but the unit fails to connect to ISS, it is probably hindered by a firewall that needs to be opened (see chapter 5).

6.3 Streams

Intinor support can view the unit’s configurations in ISS. In this way, Intinor can easily make sure Direkt link is broadcasting correctly, and that receivers are correctly configured. You can contact Intinor for assistance with troubleshooting.

Verify the streams on Direkt link with “list streams” in the stream menu on the display or destinations under “active settings” in the web interface. Make sure the Direkt link is streaming. Multicast streams are always broadcasting. Unicast streams are sent if there is a receiver with a relevant IP number.

The Direkt link shows status information on the display that it broadcast data (in Mb). Direkt receiver will display when receiving data (in Mb).

Depending on the transport used, test the following:

UDP multicast

- Make sure the Direkt link is streaming. Multicast streams should always be broadcasted. Try to switch to test picture.
- Make sure the receiver is listening on the right multicast address and port.
- If the receiver fails to receive the stream, test switching to UDP unicast towards the relevant receiver, and set the receiver to play UDP unicast.

UDP unicast, RTP, RTP+FEC, Bifrost and stream TCP

- Make sure Direkt link is sending to the IP number of the receiver. If the receiver is behind a firewall, make sure the Direkt link is broadcasting to the receiver’s external IP number and that the firewall is configured in a correct manner (see chapter 5).

RTMP

- Make sure TCP port 1935 out is open and Direkt router has correct DNS configured. Look for warnings in the web interface and in ISS.

TCP on request

- Make sure that “TCP for streaming” is active in the web interface or on the display on the Direkt link.
- Make sure the receiver is set on TCP (download) with Direkt link’s IP number, and the TCP port Direkt link is listening on. If Direkt link is behind a firewall make sure the firewall broadcasts TCP, with the select port, to Direkt link (see chapter 5).

6.4 Problem with ISS remote control

If a unit is sending, but can not be remote controlled via ISS, the available bandwidth can be insufficient for the configured output streams. If encoder fallback is stop at once, video inputs (SDI or HDMI) can be removed to temporary stop the streams and reconfigure output stream(s). Bifrost with adaptive bitrate is recommended.

If video inputs can not be removed or fallback is not stop at once, and output stream is Bifrost, try to make the receiver not listen to the unicast port being used. If the sender can not send, it will not waste bandwidth and will be easy to remote control.

Chapter 7

Technical specifications

7.1 Compatibility

Intinor is continuously developing software for Direkt router based on the customer's wants and needs. Newer software versions can be compatible with more formats and configurations than is described in this chapter.

If compatibility with a particular hardware is important, Intinor's technicians are likely able to customize Direkt router or do certain add-ons to the software. Please, contact Intinor for up-to-date status for compatibility for different units.

7.2 IP in and out

Direkt router has digital video in and out via IP over ethernet.

digital video in and out	MPEG2 video CBR (ISO/IEC 13818-2) MP@ML, MP@HL (4:2:0) 422@ML, 422@HL (4:2:2) H.264/MPEG4 AVC video (ISO/IEC 14496-10) Base, Main and High profile Level 2.1 - 5.1 Chroma 4:2:0 and 4:2:2 H.265/HEVC video
digital audio in and out	MPEG1 audio layer 2 (ISO/IEC 11172-3) AAC (ISO/IEC 14496-3:2005) MAIN
transport in and out	MPEG2-TS over IP (ISO/IEC 13818-1) - TCP and UDP RTMP (option) RTP (RFC 3550, 2250) FEC (Pro-MPEG COP #3, SMPTE ST 2022-2:2007) Bifrost Reliable Transport
interface in and out	two Ethernet 10/100/1000, RJ45