

CityScan - a mobile sensing platform for Smart Cities

GOALS

CityScan is a cost-efficient multipurpose mobile sensing platform to address the problem of valuable portable items being lost or stolen in the urban environment



CHALLENGES

BLE Discovery

- Enable fast discovery of stolen objects in a crowded city environment
- Select optimal scanning duty cycle parameters

LpWAN communication

- Select an optimal communication solution that can deliver required data rate in a real-world urban scenario
- Optimize network range and communication reliability

DEMO SETUP



BLE Discovery



at the first discovery

Advertising Intervals

MORE RESULTS



CONCLUSIONS

POST MORTEM

- None of the Gateways provided 1km range with PDR > 80%
- Difference in LoS and non-Los cases is up to 60-70%
- Low-rate settings are not suitable due to EU duty cycle limits
- 15- vs 5- m gateway installation provides 30% improvement
- LoS and clear Fresnel zone are essential
- Delivery control to improve PDR and range
- SF7 and FSK are the optimal options to meet EU regulations
- No communication degradation at velocities <= 30km/h

- Scalability testing
- Explore narrowband technologies below 10KHz BW
- Explore LpWAN alternatives e.g. Nb-IoT
- Integrate HW components
- Pilot & Real feedback