

MEPT - a WSPR beacon

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== VERSATILE WSPR BEACON for MOBILE and FIXED applications ==

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- + Das Baken Konzept beruht auf getrennten Modulen die nach den speziellen Anforderungen kombiniert werden können.
- + == Anschlüsse: ==
- [[Bild:MEPT 1.jpg]] [[Bild:LCD position.jpg]]
 - + * ""USB interface"" für die Windows Konfigurations Software
 - + * ""serial interface"" zum Anschluss der GPS Maus
 - + * ""SPI bus"" für die Datenübermittlung zwischen den Modulen
 - + * ""ICSP"" zum programmieren des PIC Prozessors
- + == Ausstattung: ==
- + * Windows Konfigurationssoftware
- + * Die Bake läuft unabhängig vom PC
 - + * Zeit und geographische Position werden hochgenau aus dem GPS Signal gewonnen
- + * Unabhängige Generierung des WSPR Datensatz im Mikrocontroller der Bake
- + * Bis zu 8 verschiedene Filter über eine Filterschaltbox anwählbar
- + * Bis zu 4 Dämpfungsglieder
 - + Netzwerke durch die Abschwächer Box steuerbar
- + * Mehrere DDS & PA Module an einem Controller anschließbar
- + * DDS & PA Modul für 1.8-50MHz mit bis zu 15W

- + * **Bänder (160m / 80m / 40m / 30m / 20m/ 17m / 15m / 12m / 10m / 6m)**
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- + [[Bild:MEPT_2.jpg]]
- It took me a couple of month - but now it's (almost) ready.
- + == MEPT SWITCH Modul ==
- + [[Bild:MEPT DDS Filter Controller v2.0.jpg|thumb|Controller board circuit]]
- + [[Bild:MEPT DDS Filter Switch v2.0.jpg|thumb|Switch board circuit]]
- A versatile beacon concept that consists of a number modules that can be combined according to the application.
- == Connectors: ==
- + The switch module can hold up to 8 filter or attenuator boards. For bands from 160m to 6m elliptical low pass filters are ready. I am planning a band pass filter for 6m as the local oscillator signals are below the working frequency.
- + When used with filters there is one additional slot that can hold an attenuator for using the system on an unmatched antenna.

- + There will be another switch board with 4 instead of 8 positions that will be able to hold attenuator boards of the same size.
- * **"USB interface"** to connect to a Windows application for configuration
- * **"serial interface"** to attach a GPS mouse
- * **"SPI bus"** to interconnect the modules
- * **"ICSP"** for in circuit serial programming of the PIC processor
- == **Features:** ==
- + [[Bild:MEPT 8.jpg]]
- + == **MEPT CONFIGURATIONS** ==
- + * Configuration **software for Windows**
- + * **Beacon runs independent from PC**
- + * **Time and Location can be derived from GPS signal**
- + * **Autonomous generation of WSPR data string in local microcontroller**
- + * **Up to 8 different filters selectable through filter switch box**
- + * **Up to 4 Attenuator networks selectable through attenuator switch box**
- + * **Multiple DDS & PA modules attachable to one controller**
- + * **DDS & PA module for 1.8-50MHz with up to 15W**

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""Multiband Configuration with Multiple DDS/PA Modules

Here you can find an overview of the possible configurations

- + When running the beacon in Multiband config with a filter box with 8 boards installed, one will only reach a TX time of 12,5%. To increase the TX time to 25% (or higher) with still covering 8 bands (or more) additional DDS/PA modules with individual Filter Switch Modules can be driven from a single CPU. These signal sources can be attached to diffent antennas as shown, or through a LPF/HPF signal combiner into a single antenna.

- [[MEPT CONFIGURATIONS]]

+ [[Bild:MEPT Config4.jpg|400px]]

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+ == MEPT CPU Modul ==

- **[[MEPT CPU]]**
 - + **A detailed description of the individual modules can be found here**
 - + **[[Bild:MEPT DDS CPU v6.0.jpg|thumb|MEPT CPU board circuit]]**
 - + **[[Bild:MEPT DDS Display Unit v1.0.jpg|thumb|MEPT Display board circuit]]**
 - + **[[Bild:MEPT DDS RF unit v2.1.jpg|thumb|MEPT DDS & PA board circuit]]**
- **[[MEPT SWITCH]]**
 - + **[[MEPT switch module]]**

- I have a long list of improvements and additions I want to create to my beacon system. Here is a list of my plans (Although I don't know yet where to find the time to do all that)

- [[MEPT DEVELOPMENT PLAN]]

+ Weiter Informationen: <http://www.oelifm.at/>

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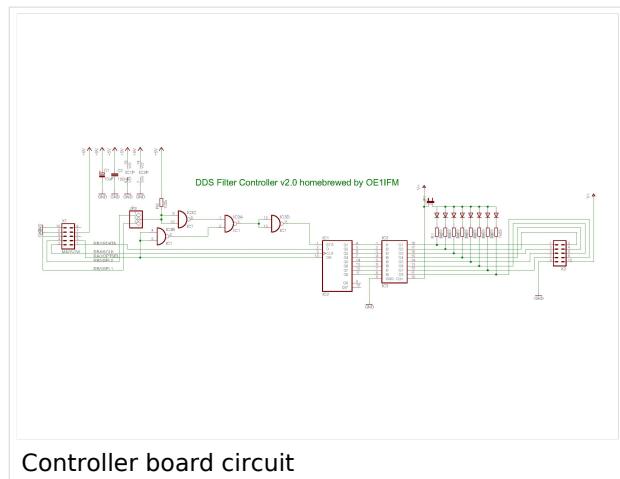
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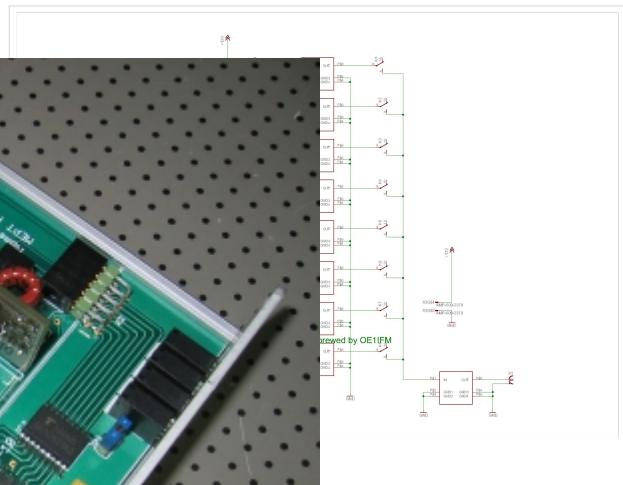
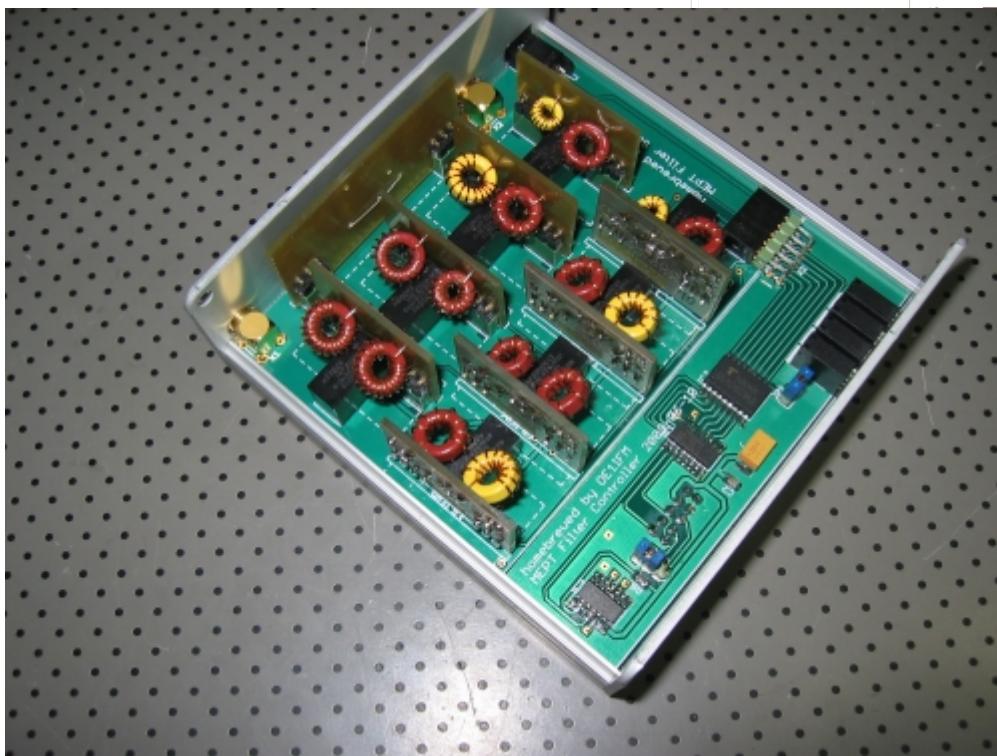
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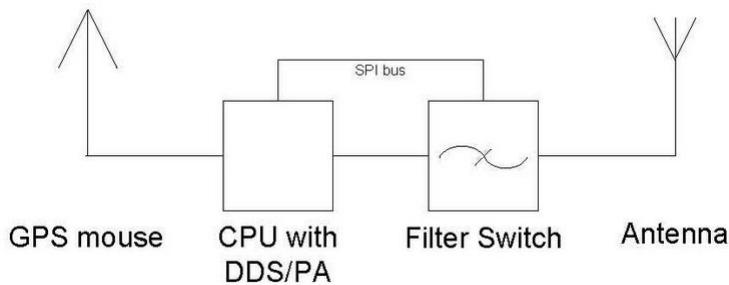
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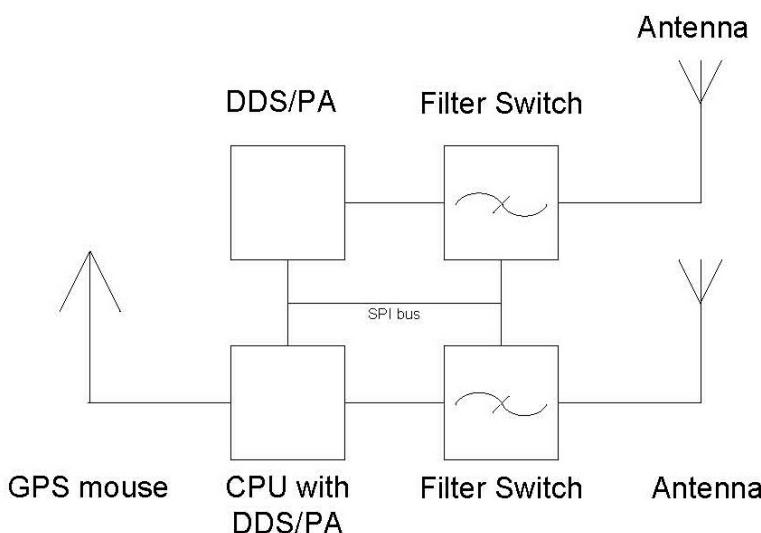
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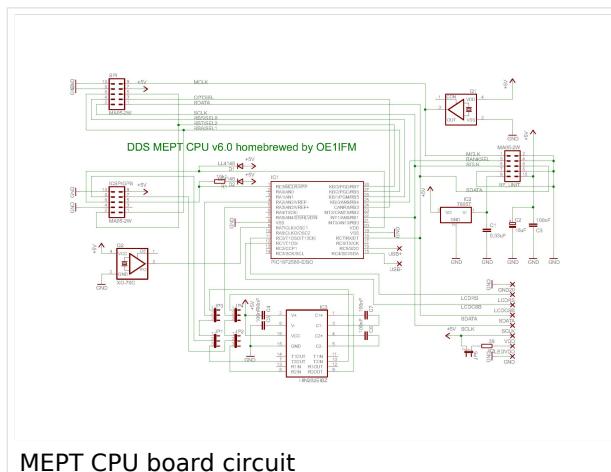
The main module holds the CPU with USB and GPS serial interface, the master oscillator and one DDS with a 15W PA module. It can be run stand alone and accepts one filter module on the RF unit board.



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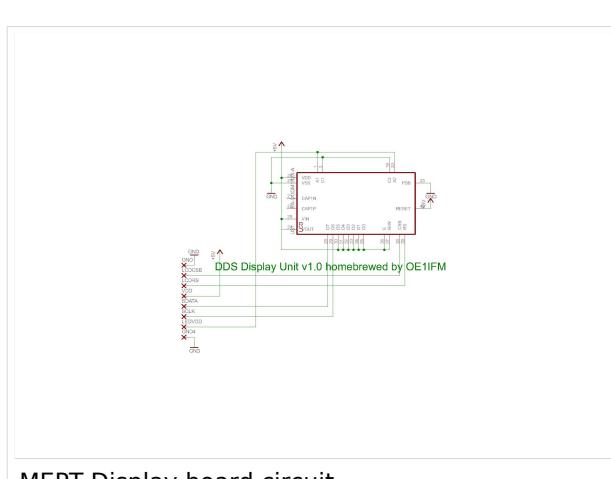
MEPT CPU board circuit



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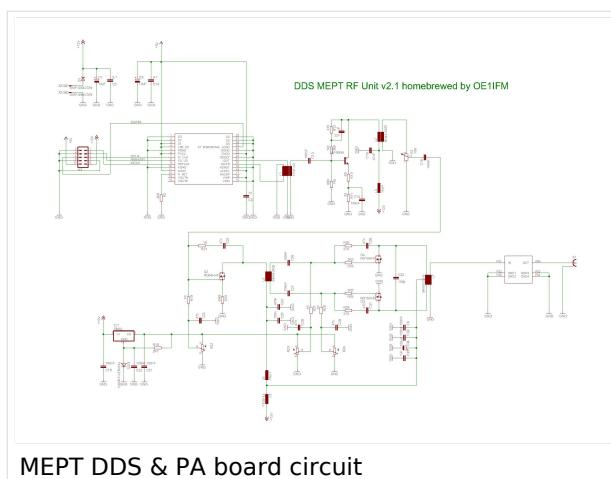
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MEPT Display board circuit



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MEPT DDS & PA board circuit

MEPT switch module

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