

# VGU010

## 10-Channel, Modular, Variable/ Fixed Gain Unit









The **VGU010** system provides fixed gain &/ or attenuation control of L-Band or IF based signals, which can be used for balancing during commissioning to overcome differences in cross-site cable losses, as well as providing a useful facility for earth station operators to adjust the gain of uplink/ downlink chains remotely.

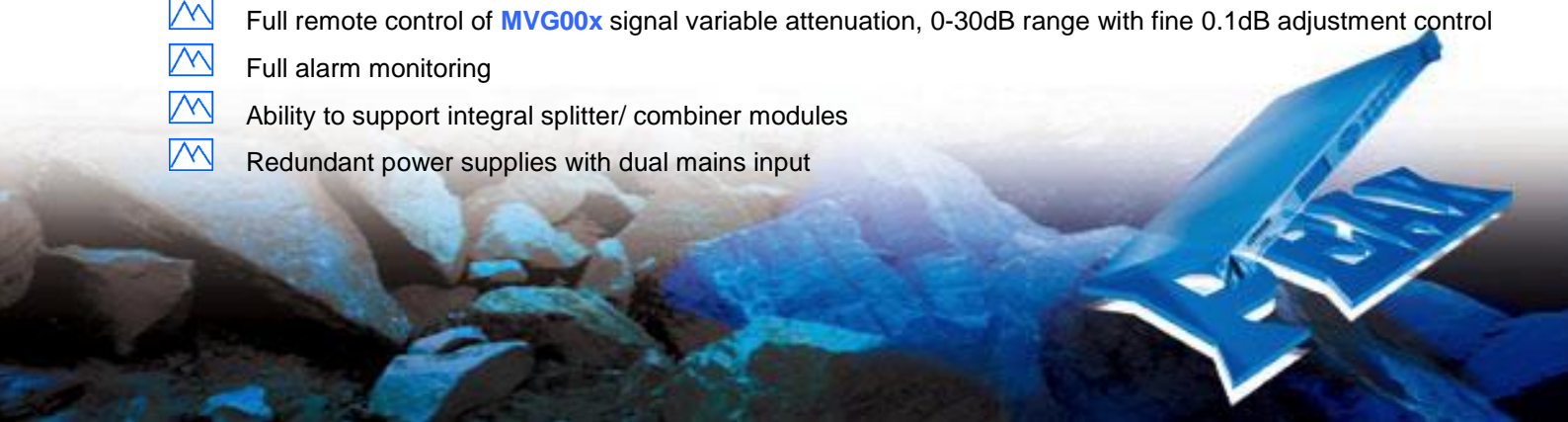
The **VGU010** is a multi-channel variable gain unit which can accommodate up to 10 **MVG00x** variable attenuation channels or **MFG00x** fixed gain channels, each of which are modular, 'hot-swappable' and can be inserted/ replaced in the **VGU010** unit from the rear without the need to remove power or disturb the other channels in any way.

The **MVG00x/ MFG00x** modules are available for use at either IF (70MHz  $\pm$ 18MHz/ 140MHz  $\pm$ 36MHz) or L-Band (950-2150MHz) and can be positioned in either the uplink or downlink chain. Each module houses a single IF or L-Band channel and can be fitted with fail-safe switching option.

The **VGU010** chassis is mains powered with dual (redundant), modular, hot-swappable power supplies, as standard.

### Peak Features

-  Flexible; modular, 'hot-swappable', expandable solution
-  Ease of system commissioning and balancing of cross-site losses
-  Full remote control of **MVG00x** signal variable attenuation, 0-30dB range with fine 0.1dB adjustment control
-  Full alarm monitoring
-  Ability to support integral splitter/ combiner modules
-  Redundant power supplies with dual mains input



## VGU010 chassis – Typical Specification

Number of channels 1 to 10 (each MVG00x/ MFG00x denotes a single channel)

### MVG00x – Variable Attenuation Module

#### RF Performance

<b>MVG001;</b>	50-200MHz
<b>MVG002;</b>	950-2150MHz
Connector type	SMA (f), 50Ohm
DC & 10MHz pass (Option 4)	Allows DC & 10MHz signals on the L-Band input to be passed through to the output
1 dB GCP	Input 0dBm, output +1dBm
Return loss*	14dB nom (input and output)
Insertion loss*	1dB nom (L-Band), at min attenuation
Option 6a;	Gain of 15dB nom, at min attenuation
Option 6b;	Gain of 27dB nom, at min attenuation
<i>Note: for other gain options please contact the factory</i>	
Attenuation control	0-30dB, stepped 0.1dB
Gain stability	±0.5dB from 0 to 40°C
Gain flatness*	±0.1dB per week (constant temp) ±1.5dB (MVG002 over full band) ±0.5dB (across any 36MHz in band) ±0.5dB over IF band (MVG001)
Bypass (Option 5)	Fail-safe switching to external user selectable pad
Bypass connection	SMA (f), 50Ohm (2 connections per channel)
Bypass insertion loss	1dB (plus external pad fixed attenuation value)

\* The addition of options 4, 5 & 6 may modify the performance (for details please contact the factory).

### MFG00x – Fixed Gain Module

#### RF Performance

Note: performance as above, unless stated below;

<b>MFG001;</b>	50-200MHz
<b>MFG002;</b>	950-1450MHz
<b>MFG003;</b>	950-1750MHz
<b>MFG004;</b>	950-2150MHz
RF input power	-10dBm max (no load, no damage)
TOIP	+25dBm
1dB output GCP	+13dBm
Return loss*	16dB nom (input and output)
Gain*	20dB nom
Option 7a;	30dB nom
Option 7b;	40dB nom
<i>Note: for other gain options please contact the factory</i>	
Gain flatness*	±0.25dB (bandwidths ≤500MHz) ±0.5dB (MFG003) ±1dB (MFG004)

\* The addition of options 4 & 5 may modify the performance (for details please contact the factory).

## Other

### Mechanical

Width	19", standard rack mount
Height	2U (3.5")
Depth	534mm (21"), plus connectors
Construction	Aluminium chassis
Weight	
VGU010	Approx. 4kgs (9lbs)
MVG/ MFG	Approx. 0.5kg (1lb)
MPS001	Approx. 0.5kg (1lb)

### Environmental

Operating temp	-10°C to +50°C
EMC	EN55022 part B & EN50082-1
Safety	EN60950

### MPS001 power supply (modular, dual, redundant)

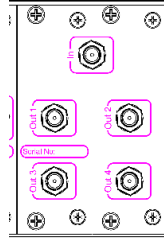
<i>Note: 2off supplied as standard with the VGU010 unit, spare modules available</i>	
Input voltage	90-264VAC
Input frequency	47-63Hz
Power	100 Watts max. (10 channels installed)

### Control System Interface

Remote control	Ethernet
Alarms	PSU 1 & 2 failure Channel alarms (1-10)
Connector	MDR, 50-way

### Splitter/ Combiner Modules (MSC004, MSC008)

Chassis can support 4-way (MSC004) & 8-way (MSC008) passive L-Band splitter/ combiner modules (option dependent), please consult factory for details and availability.



## Options

- 4) DC & 10MHz pass-through
- 5) Fail safe by-pass switching
- 5b) Fail safe by-pass attenuator links for option 5
- 6a) 15dB nominal MVG00x gain (at minimum attenuation)
- 6b) 27dB nominal MVG00x gain (at minimum attenuation)
- 7a) 30dB nominal MFG00x gain
- 7b) 40dB nominal MFG00x gain

Notes; the addition of options can modify the typical specification, for details please consult the factory

## Rear Panel View (shown with 10 channels fitted)

