Results and Recommendations

HDTV Format Comparison

AFTER COMPRESSION

Picture quality is content dependent. The overall results indicate that for the same bitrate:

720p/50 is better than 1080i/25 1080p/50 is better than 1080i/25 1080p/50 can be better than 720p/50

CONCLUSIONS

720p/50 ← currently the best HDTV emission format

1080p/50 ← potential next generation emission format

1080p/50 ← desirable next generation HDTV production format

EBU Publications

All available from: www.ebu.ch/en/technical/

PRODUCTION

EBU Tech 3299-2004 EBU Tech 3298-2004	High Definition (HD) image formats for television production An EBU 'route map' to High Definition
EBU Tech 3315-2006	Archiving: experiences with telecine transfer of film to digital formats
EBU D97rev-2005	The need for format-agile television production equipment

EMISSION

EBU R112-2004	Statement on HDTV Standards (preference for progressive scanning)
EBU Tech 3312-2006	Digital terrestrial HDTV broadcasting in Europe
EBU 137-2006	EBU guidelines for the RRC-06
EBU 139-2004	Maximising the quality of conventional quality broadcasting in the flat panel environment
EBU 135-2003	Further considerations on the impact of flat panel displays on the broadcasting chain
EBU 134-2002	The potential impact of flat panel displays on broadcast delivery of television

EBU TEST MATERIAL

A Library of HDTV test sequences from EBU Members for EBU Members:

- SVT (Sweden) Multi-format Test Set in 1080p/50, 720p/50 and 1080i/25
- TPC, SRG and EBU football sequences in 720p/50 and 1080i/25
- New: sequences from the 2006 Eurovision Song Contest, football and festivals in 1080p/50, 1080i/25 and 720p/50

