



# International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 VHF - UHF - $\mu$ W Newsletter

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## Editorial

This weekend the VHF 2m IARU contest was organised, for the first time by the contest working group we organized during our Conference in Landshut 2017. We will have time to evaluate our decision during our interim meeting, and I think it will be positive. We made already some progress in organisation, and evaluating. There is still some progress to make, but we will have an evaluation during our interim meeting.

Also about the bandplanning (new digital modes,...) and WRC 19 we will have some things to discuss.

But I want to reserve our Sunday morning meeting for a very important topic: **How to improve activity on the VHF bands!** Seen the results of our survey begin 2018 I think we need to get ready to defend, but mainly promote the use of our dedicated bands. This will be a major challenge for our upcoming conference in Nova Sad 2020.

## Vienna Interim Meeting 2019

The next interim meeting of the IARU Region 1 VHF/UHF/MW Committee (C5), the HF Committee (C4) and the EMC Committee (C7) will be convened on 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of April 2019 at the InterCity Hotel in Vienna. The Austrian society, ÖVSV, has kindly invited us to Vienna.

Any contributions for this meeting shall be received by the secretary of IARU-R1, Hans Blondeel PB2T at following mail address: [interim-mtg@iaru-r1.org](mailto:interim-mtg@iaru-r1.org) no later than 15 January 2019. The contributions and the draft meeting agenda will be distributed to you and the member societies before 15 February 2019. Please send also a copy of the paper to the chairman of the concerning committee.

### TIMING

This is the draft of the schedule:

#### Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> April 2019:

- 19:00 – 20:00 hrs: Welcome drink at the hotel (Sponsored by OeVSV)
- 2030 - 2200 hrs: Dinner

#### Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> April 2019:

- 07:30 – 08:30 hrs: Breakfast
- 08:30 – 10:00 hrs: Committee meetings
- 10:00 – 10:20 hrs: break
- 10:20 – 12:00 hrs: Committee meetings
- 12:00 – 13:30 hrs: Lunch
- 13:30 – 15:30 hrs: Committee meetings
- 15:30 – 16:00 hrs: break
- 16:00 – 19:00 hrs: Committee meetings
- 20:00 hrs: dinner (hosted by OeVSV)

## Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> April 2019:

- 08:00 – 09:00 hrs: Breakfast
- 09:00 – 12:00 hrs: Committee meetings
- 12:00 – 14:00 hrs: Lunch

## HOTEL:

InterCity Hotel Wien (<http://www.intercityhotel.com>)

The hotel is a 4 star hotel, located within easy reach (three minutes by foot) of a main Vienna railway station (West Bahnhof) and an underground station, from where the city centre (St. Stephan's Cathedral) can be reached in a few minutes. The HQ of ÖVSV lies within an eight minutes' walk from the hotel. We will use the comfortable and quiet meeting rooms and enjoy the good catering provided by the hotel.

## COSTS & Bookings

### Costs package:

Conference package EUR 142,- includes:

- Conference fee including lunch on Saturday and Sunday, refreshments during breaks
- The dinner on 26<sup>th</sup> April (including 2 drinks)

### Costs accommodation:

- **Single business room:** including minibar, highspeed internet, tea/coffee making facilities is 114€/night, including breakfast and ticket for public transportation (not to the airport)
- **Double business room:** including minibar, highspeed internet, tea/coffee making facilities is 141€/night, including breakfast and ticket for public transportation (not to the airport).

### Bookings

Bookings must be done before 1 March 2019 directly to the hotel with the form that you can find in attachment (a copy will be sent to the IARU-R1 secretary). You can find this form also on the IARU-R1 website. Reservations made after this date are not guaranteed.

### Payment conditions

Please fill in the application form and pay directly to the hotel

### DEADLINES:

- **15 January 2019 for contributions. To be sent to [pb2t@me.com](mailto:pb2t@me.com)**
- **Bookings before: 01/03 to be sent and paid directly to the hotel.**

Please help the organizational committee by observing the deadlines!

## Contest News

### Results IARU-R1 ATV contest 2018

This year RSGB was responsible for the coordination of the ATV contest. I want to thank Dave, G8GKQ for his excellent work.

Seen the participation is growing overall, we see that some countries need to promote ATV contesting.

You can find the final results for the ATV contest on the IARU-R1 website ([https://www.iaru-r1.org/images/VHF/atv/IARU\\_Region\\_1\\_ATV\\_Contest\\_2018\\_Results.pdf](https://www.iaru-r1.org/images/VHF/atv/IARU_Region_1_ATV_Contest_2018_Results.pdf))

## VHF Handbook 8.02

There is a new version of the VHF Handbook on line now (Version 8.02). This only integrated the new VHF Contest rules for 2018, which are defined by the Contest Working group.

During the Conference in Landshut there was a proposal for partitioning the VHF Handbook in an other way. This will be done in the upcoming months and proposed to the Interim meeting in Vienna 2019.

## Useful Information

C5 Chairman: Jacques Verleijen, ON4AVJ

C5 Vice chairman: Jann Traschewski, DG8NGN

Contest co-ordinator: Robert Vilhar, S53WW

Beacons co-ordinator: Mathias Klug, DH4FAJ

Satellite co-ordinator: Graham Shirville, G3VZV

Spectrum specialist: Murray Niman, G6JYB

Website: <http://www.iaru-r1.org/index.php/vhfuhsshf>

Handbook: <https://www.iaru-r1.org/index.php/downloads/func-startdown/1008/>  
Current Edition: v8.02:

Newsletters: <http://www.iaru-r1.org/index.php/documents/Documents/Newsletters/VHF-Newsletters>

Wiki <http://iaruwiki.oevsv.at>

Contest robot [http://iaru.oevsv.at/v\\_upld/prg\\_list.php](http://iaru.oevsv.at/v_upld/prg_list.php)

## Mailing list VHF managers and liaison officers

If you are not on this mailing list and you are a VHF manager of your country please send a mail to [ON4AVJ@uba.be](mailto:ON4AVJ@uba.be)

## Use of the IARU R1 C5 Wiki

If you are an official Member Society representative, but have no login and you want to participate to the discussions on the Wiki, please write a mail to [ON4AVJ@uba.be](mailto:ON4AVJ@uba.be).