

**SUMMARY RECORD, ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL  
INTERNATIONAL AMATEUR RADIO UNION  
Meeting in Cancun, Mexico 21 & 22 September 2013**

1. The Thirty-sixth meeting of the Administrative Council of the International Amateur Radio Union was called to order at 0900 local time Saturday, 21 September 2013 at the Fiesta Americana Condessa Hotel, Cancun, Mexico, by IARU President Tim Ellam, VE6SH/G4HUA. Also present were the following members: Ole Garpestad, LA2RR, Vice President; Rod Stafford, W6ROD, Secretary; Hans Blondeel Timmerman, PB2T, President and Dennis Green, ZS4BS, Secretary, IARU Region 1; Reinaldo Leandro, YV5AM, President and Ramón Santoyo, XE1KK, Secretary, IARU Region 2; and Gopal Madhavan, VU2GMN, Chairman, and Geoff Atkinson, VK3TL, Director, IARU Region 3. At the invitation of the Council, also present were Region 2 Vice President Jose Arturo Molina, YS1MS and ARRL International Affairs Vice President Jay Bellows, K0QB representing the International Secretariat. David Sumner, K1ZZ, was present as recording secretary on behalf of the International Secretariat.

2. A moment of silence was observed for radio amateurs and friends who have died since the previous meeting of the Administrative Council.

3. The following agenda was approved:

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1. Opening of meeting by the President –
2. Administrative Council Members, Arrangements for Meeting and A Moment of Silence
  - 2.1. Meeting Participants
  - 2.2. Meeting Arrangements
  - 2.3. Moment of Silence
3. Approval of Agenda of meeting
4. Reports of the officers
  - 4.1. Report of the President – Mr. Ellam
  - 4.2. Report of the Vice President – Mr. Garpestad
  - 4.3. Report of the Secretary – Mr. Stafford
5. Reports from the regional organizations
  - 5.1. Region 1
  - 5.2. Region 2
  - 5.3. Region 3
6. Review of written reports of International Coordinators and Advisers
  - 6.1. IARU Beacon Project Coordinator – Mr. Jennings
  - 6.2. IARU Satellite Adviser – Mr. van de Groenendaal
  - 6.3. IARU EMC Adviser – Mr. Verholt
  - 6.4. IARU International Coordinator for Emergency Communications – Mr. Zimmermann
  - 6.5. IARU EMC Coordinator - Mr. Kootz
7. ITU and related issues
  - 7.1. ITU Radiocommunication Sector (ITU-R)
    - 7.1.1. ITU SG and WP Meetings
      - 7.1.1.1. SG5/WP5A,B,C

- 7.1.1.2. SG1/WP1A,B,C
  - 7.1.1.3. WP7B
  - 7.1.2. IARU Positions on WRC-15 Agenda Items
  - 7.1.3. Future WRC Agenda Items
  - 7.2. ITU Development Sector (ITU-D)
  - 7.3. ITU Telecoms
  - 7.4. ITU Council
  - 7.5. ITU Plenipotentiary Conference -2014
  - 7.6. ITU Academy/SMTP
  - 7.7. ITU-D Invitation to Join SSDM
  - 8. Strategic planning
    - 8.1. Review of Plan for Development and Support of Amateur Radio Frequency Allocations for 2012-2017
    - 8.2. Consideration of Action Plan for 2013-2014, including participation in ITU and other meetings
    - 8.3. Future Spectrum Committee
  - 9. ITU and regulatory/spectrum defense matters not previously discussed
    - 9.1. Review of spectrum requirements document
    - 9.2. Other spectrum defense matters
  - 10. Operational and administrative matters
    - 10.1. Consultative Process to Identify Qualified Candidates for IARU President and Vice President -- International Secretariat
    - 10.2. Relations with Member Societies
      - 10.2.1. Tunisia - Member Society
    - 10.3. Expert Consultants and Technical Representatives
    - 10.4. 2014-2016 budget and review of 2012 and 2013 budgets
    - 10.5. Theme for World Amateur Radio Day 2014
    - 10.6. Handbook for Experts/Consultants representing IARU
    - 10.7. Administrative Council actions since last in-person meeting
      - 10.7.1. Skype teleconference - May 2013
    - 10.8. Review of ToR for EMC Adviser and EMC Coordinator
    - 10.9. Emergency Communications
    - 10.10. Second Society Issues
    - 10.11. Amateur Radio Administrative Course - Ghana, May 2013
    - 10.12. VK3KI Award
    - 10.13. Proposal for Election of IARU Officers
    - 10.14. Other operational and administrative matters
  - 11. Other business
    - 11.1. Review of Resolutions and Policies
    - 11.2. Any other business
  - 12. Determination of place and dates of next meeting of Council
  - 13. Drafting and approval of news release covering meeting, and adjournment
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#### 4. Reports of the officers

4.1. In his written report, President Ellam outlined efforts to increase communication with the member-societies. He commented on the IARU work within the ITU and the ITU facing certain financial challenges. He outlined a number of allocation issues facing IARU in dealing with the ITU. The troubling issue of second societies will be discussed later in the meeting and he commented that this is an issue

that will need to be dealt with by the Council. He mentioned that succession planning for the IARU volunteers needs to be addressed. He commented upon this first term as President and the election process that was taking place.

4.2. Vice President Garpestad outlined his activities on behalf of IARU since the last Council meeting in 2012. Much time and effort has been devoted to preparation for the upcoming WRC-15 and some of the important amateur radio issues that are on the WRC agenda. Mr. Garpestad commented on the ARDF activities within Region 1 and the concern over the future of the 4U1ITU amateur station after the renovation of the ITU building where the station is located. He also discussed certain aspects of the publication related to operating ethics for amateur radio operators.

4.3. Secretary Stafford described in his written report his activities since the last Council meeting, including member-society contacts, attendance at ITU-D meetings, the IARU electronic newsletter and other secretary related activities. He also orally reported on the ITU-D Study Group 2 meeting that took place days before the Council meeting and the approval by the Study Group of the final draft of the revised ITU Emergency Telecommunications Handbook. He mentioned the hard work over the last two years by IARU International Coordinator for Emergency Communications Hans Zimmermann F5VKP/HB9AQS and a group of correspondents in completing the updated Handbook for publication on the ITU web site.

## 5. Reports from the regional organizations

5.1. Region 1. The written report by the Region 1 Secretary discussed the outcome of the Region 1 Executive Committee meeting in May 2013. It also mentioned the Interim Region 1 HF and VHF/UHF meetings in April 2013. The report outlined developments among various Region 1 societies, including Moldova and Tunisia. The Secretary reminded the Council about the 2014 Region 1 Conference and the deadline for submission of input papers. The Region 1 President commented on the relationship the regional organization has with the regional telecommunication organizations in Region 1.

5.2. Region 2. The Region 2 Secretary introduced the written report for the region which set out the activities of the officers and the executive committee since the last Council meeting. The report contained information about Region 2 President Leandro's participation in WRC-12 and the efforts of the directors to stay in close touch with the societies within their areas. Secretary Santoyo participated in the ITU Multi Sector Emergency Communication Forum in Colombia in July 2013. The report also outlined the planned Region 2 Conference including the Emergency Communications Workshop. The regional organization continues to have an excellent relationship with CITEL and the CTU. In oral supplemental comments, President Leandro stated he was alarmed at the high fees charged by some administrations in Region 2 for amateur radio operators. An example is high fees charged for amateur radio exams.

5.3. Region 3. The Region 3 Chairman presented the written report for Region 3. The report contained information about the relationship between the region and the regional telecommunication organization, the APT. Region 3 is in the process of negotiating a Memorandum of Understanding with APT. The report detailed the preparations by the region for the upcoming World Telecom 2013 in Bangkok, Thailand in November 2013. Region 3 is attempting to improve the communications and relations with the region's member-societies. Region 3 has recently redesigned the Region 3 web site and is receiving positive feedback on the changes.

## 6. Review of written reports of International Coordinators and Advisers

6.1. IARU Beacon Project Coordinator. The extensive written report of IARU International Beacon Project (IBP) Coordinator Peter Jennings, AB6WM/VE3SUN, was reviewed by the Council, including the IBP 2.0 Project. The possibility of using the call sign NU1AW if the 4U1UN beacon cannot be reestablished was discussed. The Council requests that the IARU Beacon Project Coordinator include in his 2014 report to the Council a discussion of the future of the Beacon Project 5 and 10 years from now in view of other technologies available to assist in propagation determination.

6.2. IARU Satellite Adviser. IARU Satellite Adviser Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV, provided a written report on satellite matters. The report discusses the problem related to IARU coordination of non-amateur satellites operating in the amateur radio bands. The Satellite Adviser had prepared a position paper dealing with coordination issues in the two-meter band. The Council confirmed the proposed restriction to future coordination in this band and decided that the notice set out in Annex 2 attached to the report will be posted on the IARU satellite frequency coordination information portion of the IARU web site.

6.3. IARU EMC Adviser. The EMC Adviser provided a short report with a full report on the most recent CISPR meeting in September 2013 to be sent to the Council after the CISPR meeting.

6.4. IARU International Coordinator for Emergency Communications. The written report of Mr. Zimmermann outlined his recent activities including participation in the update/revision of the ITU Emergency Telecommunications Handbook, participation in the 2013 GAREC and his involvement in the ITU-T Focus Group on Disaster Relief, Network Resilience and Recovery (FG-DR & NRR). He again pointed out the need for an IARU overall strategy regarding emergency communications. He recommended IARU have a resource person for public relations and to seek more visibility for IARU.

6.5. IARU EMC Coordinator. The Council reviewed the written report of the EMC Coordinator. The report detailed certain EMC concerns that the Council should be aware of when developing EMC policies. The EMC Coordinator also reviewed the steps he has taken since appointment to fulfill the duties set out in the terms of reference for the position.

6.6. Reappointment of coordinators and advisers. The Council reappoints the

coordinators and advisers whose terms of appointment are expiring with this Council meeting. The Council thanks each of the coordinators and advisers for their good work and efforts on behalf of IARU.

## 7. ITU and related issues

### 7.1. ITU Radiocommunication Sector (ITU-R)

#### 7.1.1. ITU SG and WP Meetings

7.1.1.1. SG5/WP5A,B,C. The Council reviewed a written report by Vice President Garpestad on IARU activities within ITU-R SG5 and WP5A, B and C. The report details work on certain agenda items of the upcoming WRC-15 including agenda item 1.4 related to a secondary allocation around 5.3 MHz and agenda item 1.18 dealing with automotive radar at 77.5-78 GHz. The Council also discussed strategic plans aimed at achieving IARU objectives at WRC-15.

7.1.1.2. SG1/WP1A,B,C. IARU Technical Representative Peter Chadwick prepared an extensive written report on ITU-R SG1 and WP1A & B. The Council reviewed the report including certain recommendations at the end of the report. The Council is taking steps to implement the recommendations of Mr. Chadwick. The Council expressed thanks to Mr. Chadwick for his work and efforts on behalf of IARU for many years and hope that he enjoys his retirement. It is hoped Mr. Chadwick will remain available to IARU on a consulting basis. Mr. Ian Greenshields, G4FSU will continue representing IARU at SG1 meetings.

7.1.1.3. WP7B. Region 1 President Hans Blondeel Timmerman represents IARU at ITU-R WP7B meetings dealing with certain satellite issues. The WP7B meeting ended a few days prior to the Council meeting. He orally reported that there is a growing interest in the use of CubeSats, in particular, among commercial and military spectrum users. The use of amateur radio spectrum should be restricted to amateur applications. The use of amateur spectrum by university and college satellite projects falls into a grey area. If university satellites have commercial purposes they should not be using the amateur spectrum. IARU presented a paper at the meeting explaining where nanosatellites and picosatellites can be accommodated in the amateur bands and also explained the IARU frequency coordination process. He mentioned the intense United States interest in agenda item 9.1.8 dealing with satellite issues. A report on 9.1.8 is due at WRC-15 and it is anticipated the issue will be on the agenda at WRC-18.

7.1.2. IARU Positions on WRC-15 Agenda Items. The Council reviewed the strategy paper on IARU Positions on WRC-15 Agenda Items. No changes were made to the positions at this time. The position paper is available on the IARU web site.

7.1.3. Future WRC Agenda Items. The Council reviewed the list of possible amateur radio related agenda items that the Council would like to see addressed at WRCs after WRC-15. They include worldwide harmonization of the 160 meter band, worldwide harmonization of the 6 meter band, expansion of the 10, 18 and 24 MHz amateur bands and expansion of the 20 meter band. Also microwave allocations may be added to the list.

7.2. ITU Development Sector (ITU-D). A written report by Secretary Stafford was reviewed by the Council. He outlined the work of SG2 in the area of emergency communications and disaster relief. In his oral supplemental remarks he reported on his attendance at the ITU-D Study Group 2 meeting just concluded. One of the major projects over the last 2 years in SG2 has been the updating or revising of the ITU Emergency Telecommunication Handbook. The text of the revision has now been completed and it should be available on the ITU web site by the close of 2013. In addition, there will be an “online toolkit” with explanations and links that will supplement the text portion of the project. The World Telecommunications Development Conference (WTDC) will be held in March-April 2014. One of the important objectives at that conference will be to continue the topic of emergency communications into the next study period of 2014-2018.

7.3. World Telecom 2013. The IARU will participate in the World Telecom 2013 to be held in Bangkok, Thailand in November 2013. Region 3 has taken on the project to arrange for the building and staffing of the IARU booth during the Telecom.

7.4. ITU Council. President Ellam presented a report on the ITU Council meetings. President Ellam attended the Council meeting in 2012. IARU attends the Council meetings every other year absent unusual circumstances. IARU will seek an invitation to the next meeting of the ITU Council in May 2014.

7.5. ITU Plenipotentiary Conference. President Ellam presented a report detailing the important reasons why IARU attends the “Plenipot.” The plenipot meets every four years and the conference sets the ITU’s general policies, adopts the strategic plan and financial plans for the coming 4 years and elects the senior management team of the organization such as the Secretary General, the Deputy Secretary General and the Directors of the three bureaus of the ITU.

7.6. ITU Academy/SMTP. In May 2013, ITU invited the IARU to participate in the new Spectrum Management Training Programme (SMTP). President Ellam met with various ITU officials to agree to the participation by IARU in the initiative. The SMTP will include a module dealing with “Spectrum Management for HF Systems, Science, Maritime and Amateur Services.” Due to ITU financial challenges, President Ellam feels more telecom administrations may be reached through the SMTP than the IARU Amateur Radio Administration Courses that have been held in the past. Thus it is important for IARU to participate and ensure the amateur radio service is a part of the programme.

7.7. ITU-D Invitation to Join SSDM. The ITU-D Director invited IARU to participate in the Smart Sustainable Development Model (SSDM). The SSDM initiative aims to create actions necessary to deploy the crucial communications infrastructure that contribute to giving rapid assistance in case of natural disasters, and could also be used as a working tool to foster economic and social development, providing community telecommunications services where people can access education, health or best practices in any particular field. IARU has accepted the invitation and will participate in the initiative.

## 8. Strategic planning

8.1. Review of Plan for Development and Support of Amateur Radio Frequency Allocations. The Plan for the Development of Support for Amateur Radio Frequency Allocations 2012-2017 (Revised 2013) was updated for the meeting and was reviewed in light of developments since the 2012 Administrative Council meeting. The revisions set out the strategic objectives and priorities to guide preparations for WRC-15 and thereafter.

8.2. The IARU Action Plan for the Development of Support for Amateur Radio Frequency Allocations 2013-2014 was reviewed and revised. The individuals attending some of the ITU meetings during 2014 will be determined at a later date. IARU participation may be needed for any additional ITU related meetings during 2014 as circumstances may determine.

8.3. Future Spectrum Committee. Vice President Garpestad presented the final report of the Future Spectrum Committee (FSC). The committee prepared an extensive report detailing current usages of bands above 148 MHz by amateurs and pointed out various strategies to maintain access to such bands in the future. The Council thanked the committee members for time and effort in this valuable project. The Council approved a plan to have one person in each region to serve as a contact person in spectrum matters. The Vice President will be the main link between the Council and the regional spectrum contact persons.

## 9. ITU and regulatory/spectrum defense matters not previously discussed

9.1. Review of spectrum requirements document. The September, 2013 version of the IARU Spectrum Requirements was reviewed, discussed and updated considering changes since the last update of the document. Information is still needed regarding national arrangements for amateur allocations near 5.3 MHz for further updating of the document. The regional organizations are again encouraged to contact their member-societies for information about amateur access to 5.3 MHz by the various national telecommunications authorities and to forward this information to the Vice President to assist in preparations for WRC-15.

9.2. No additional spectrum defense matters were discussed.

## 10. Operational and administrative matters

10.1. Consultative Process to Identify Qualified Candidates for IARU President and Vice President. On behalf of the ARRL in its capacity as International

Secretariat, Mr. Bellows advised the Administrative Council that he was prepared to complete the consultative process for nominations for IARU President and Vice President for five-year terms beginning on 9 May 2014 by nominating Tim Ellam, VE6SH/G4HUA for IARU President and Ole Garpestad, LA2RR as IARU Vice President. There being no other nominations suggested during the consultative process, the Secretary was instructed to present to the member-societies, in a *Calendar* to be issued no later than 9 December 2013, proposals by the International Secretariat with the concurrence by the Administrative Council that Tim Ellam, VE6SH/G4HUA, be elected for a five-year term as IARU President and Ole Garpestad, LA2RR be elected for a five-year term as IARU Vice President.

10.2. Relations with member-societies. The Council discussed the status of member societies in China, Moldova and Argentina. Region 3 has had inquiries about a society in North Korea joining IARU.

10.2.1. Status of Amateur Radio Societies. The Region 1 President outlined developments over the last couple of years regarding the current status of the amateur radio societies in Tunisia. The matter was left for Region 1 to follow up.

10.3. Expert Consultants and Technical Representatives. President Ellam lead a discussion about IARU Expert Consultants and Technical Representatives and succession planning. He once again reminded the officers and regional representatives to continue to recommend qualified individuals for these positions. President Ellam presented Ken Garg W3JK as a qualified candidate and the Council appointed Mr. Garg an IARU Expert Consultant. The Council also approved a travel policy for IARU volunteers.

10.4. 2014-2016 budget and review of 2012 and 2013 budgets. The 2012 and 2013 (to date) budgets were reviewed and discussed. The 2014- 2016 budgets were reviewed, discussed and approved. As a part of the discussion Mr. Sumner outlined the reasons for certain significant variations among the three planning period years and the yearly contribution by the International Secretariat.

10.5. World Amateur Radio Day 2014. The theme “Amateur Radio: Your Gateway to Wireless Communications” was adopted by the Council for the next World Amateur Radio Day, April 18, 2014.

10.6. Handbook for Experts/Consultants representing IARU. Mr. Ellam reviewed the progress of the completion of the handbook and it is expected that the handbook will be completed by the end of 2013.

10.7. Administrative Council actions since last in-person meeting. There was only one formal action by the Council since the last in-person meeting. The Council met on 12 May 2013 by Skype teleconference.

10.8. Review of Terms of Reference for EMC Adviser and EMC Coordinator. The Council discussed the EMC Adviser ToR and the EMC Coordinator ToR and the roles of each of those volunteers. No action was taken at this time.



10.9. Emergency Communications. Vice President Garpestad introduced a paper outlining an IARU Strategy on Emergency Communications. The paper was based on a proposal by the IARU International Coordinator for Emergency Communications. The strategy was adopted and the paper will be updated based upon comments presented. Council members to send comments to the Vice President for inclusion in the paper.

Secretary Stafford agreed to complete work on an IARU Emergency Communications Handbook to be completed by the next in-person Council meeting in 2014.

10.10. Second Society Issues. There are some IARU member-societies around the world that do not adequately represent the interests of all the radio amateurs within their country. For example, some do not participate in their regional organization activities, some do not pay their regional dues, some are unwilling to handle non-member QSL cards even on a cost-recovery basis and some even fail to respond to inquiries from their regional organizations. In many of these countries, there are other non-IARU member-societies. The Administrative Council is studying ways to work with the non-IARU societies to ensure that the interests of all the amateurs are represented in those countries where the IARU member-society fails to do so. Possible solutions to the situation include establishing communications with the non-IARU societies to allow input from the country's amateur community on IARU and amateur related issues or by recommending the use of QSL bureaus that will service all the amateurs within a particular country.

10.11. Amateur Radio Administration Course - Ghana, May 2013. Region 1 President Blondeel Timmerman reported on the ARAC presented to telecom administrators in Ghana. There were 24 participants including 20 from the Ghanaian National Communications Authority, 3 from Kenya and one from South Sudan. The Council noted the contribution of the Yasme Foundation to sponsor the participant from South Sudan.

10.12. The VK3KI Award. The Council created the IARU Michael J. Owen VK3KI Award in 2012. Under the terms of the award, a recipient of the award will be named from time to time and the award will be restricted to those individuals who perform above and beyond their volunteer roles either for a specific task or for long standing involvement on behalf of IARU. The Council is proud to name two recipients of the award in 2013, namely, David Wardlaw, VK3ADW and Wojciech Nietyksza, SP5FM. Both of these individuals have made contributions of time, effort and expertise to the IARU for many years. A time will be selected for the presentation of the award to the recipients.

10.13. Proposal for Election of IARU Officers. Region 1 presented a proposal for a constitutional change to the procedure for nomination and electing the President and Vice President of IARU. A discussion amongst the Council members provided input and feedback related to the proposal. No action was taken at this time on the proposal.

10.14. No other operational and administrative matters were discussed.

11. Other business

11.1. IARU Resolutions and Policies. Secretary Stafford reported that after a review of the current IARU Resolutions and Policies, no changes other than a minor change to Policy #4 is recommended. The Council did modify IARU Policy #4 related to email voting by the Council to provide that any email vote results will be documented in the summary record of the next Council meeting.

11.2. No other business was discussed.

12. Determination of place and dates of next meeting of Council. It was determined that the next scheduled in-person meeting of the Council will be held 27-28 September, 2014, immediately after the Region 1 Conference in the vicinity of Varna, Bulgaria.

13. There being no further business, after closing comments by each participant, the meeting was adjourned at 1225 local time Sunday, 22 September 2013. The news release prepared detailing actions taken at this meeting of the Council is attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

Rod Stafford, W6ROD  
IARU Secretary  
24 September 2013

## News Release

25 September 2013

The Administrative Council (AC) of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) held its annual meeting on 21 and 22 September 2013 in Cancun, Mexico. The AC is responsible for the policy and management of the IARU and consists of the three IARU international officers and two representatives from each of the three IARU regional organizations.

Here is a summary of the discussions and actions:

1. The consultative process was completed for the election of IARU President and Vice President for the 2014-2019 terms of office. The Secretary was instructed to present to the member-societies, in a *Calendar* to be issued no later than 9 December 2013, proposals by the International Secretariat with the concurrence by the Administrative Council that Tim Ellam, VE6SH/G4HUA, be elected for a five-year term as IARU President and Ole Garpestad, LA2RR be elected for a five-year term as IARU Vice President.
2. The Council discussed the issue of some member-societies failing to represent all of the amateurs in their country. For example, some do not participate in their regional organization activities, some do not pay their regional dues, some are unwilling to handle non-member QSL cards even on a cost-recovery basis and some even fail to respond to inquiries from their regional organizations. In many of these countries, there are other non-IARU member-societies. The Administrative Council is studying ways to work with the non-IARU societies to ensure that the interests of all the amateurs are represented in those countries where the IARU member-society fails to do so. Possible solutions to the situation include establishing communications with the non-IARU societies to allow input from the country's amateur community on IARU and amateur related issues or by recommending the use of QSL bureaus that will service all the amateurs within a particular country.
3. The IARU positions for WRC-15 agenda items and future WRC agenda items were reviewed and the strategy for achieving IARU objectives at WRC-15 was discussed.
4. The Council reviewed and updated the IARU Spectrum Requirements Document. The document is available on the IARU web site.
5. The Future Spectrum Committee presented its final report. The committee report detailed current amateur usage of bands above 148 MHz. The Council approved a plan to have one person in each region to serve as a contact person in spectrum matters.
6. The President reported on the IARU acceptance of an ITU invitation to participate in the ITU Spectrum Management Training Program (SMTP) and accepted an appointment on the founding board of advisers for the ITU-D Smart Sustainable Development Model (SSDM).

7. IARU participation in World Telecom 2013 in Bangkok, Thailand was reviewed. IARU will have a booth at the event to promote amateur radio. More information about the Telecom can be found at [www.world2013.itu.int](http://www.world2013.itu.int)
8. The Council reviewed and refined a draft paper on emergency communications strategy.
9. The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) meetings at which IARU representation will be required for the coming year were identified, and plans for representation at these meetings were reviewed.
10. The Michael J. Owen VK3KI Award was awarded to David Wardlaw, VK3ADW and Wojciech Nietyksza SP5FM. Both of these individuals have made contributions of time, effort and expertise to the IARU for many years. The award was created by the Administrative Council to recognize an individual or individuals that best exemplify the dedication and hard work of IARU volunteers.
10. The theme “Amateur Radio: Your Gateway to Wireless Communications” was adopted for the next World Amateur Radio Day, April 18, 2014.
11. Ken Garg, W3JK was added to the list of IARU Expert Consultants.
12. The budget for 2014-2016 as presented by the IS was reviewed and adopted. The budget is based upon anticipated financial contributions from the three regional organizations to defray a portion of the expenses, in accordance with previously adopted policy.
13. Reports of the IARU international coordinators and advisers were received. They are International Beacon Project Coordinator Peter Jennings, AB6WM/VE3SUN; Satellite Adviser Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV; EMC Adviser Christian Verholt, OZ8CY; International Coordinator for Emergency Communications Hans Zimmermann, F5VKP/HB9AQS; and EMC Coordinator Thilo Kootz, DL9KCE. The Council reappointed each of the coordinators and advisers to a new three-year term.

Attending the Cancun meeting were IARU President Tim Ellam, VE6SH/G4HUA; Vice President Ole Garpestad, LA2RR; Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD; regional representatives Hans Blondeel Timmerman, PB2T, Dennis Green, ZS4BS, Reinaldo Leandro, YV5AM, Ramon Santoyo, XE1KK, Gopal Madhavan, VU2GMN, Geoff Atkinson, VK3TL; and recording secretary David Sumner, K1ZZ. Also in attendance as observers were Jay Bellows, K0QB representing the IARU International Secretariat and Jose Arturo Molina, YS1MS as Region 2 observer.

The next scheduled in-person meeting of the AC will be held in the vicinity of Varna, Bulgaria, in September 2014 in conjunction with the IARU Region 1 Conference.

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