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IARU Administrative Council Meets in Virtual Session

The Administrative Council (AC) of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) held an interim meeting on January 14, 2022, to status matters discussed during the 2021 annual meeting. The AC is responsible for policy and management of IARU and consists of the three IARU international officers and two representatives from each of the three IARU regional organizations.

Preparations continue for the next World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), currently planned to be held in 2023. The IARU team, led by IARU Vice President Ole Garpestad, LA2RR, are involved in preparations with meetings at ITU and the regional telecommunications organizations (RTO). The WRC-23 agenda items of concern to the amateur and amateur-satellite services and the IARU Action Plan were reviewed.

The AC is continuing its work on the future of IARU. The Core Mission Working Group has completed its charge and three new Working Groups; Governance, Relationship, and Communications have begun reviewing IARU's efforts in those three topic areas.

The work of the inter-regional IARU band planning committee, especially on the bandplan for HF data segments, was reviewed. The committee realizes that member-societies should be given more opportunities for discussion of the issues being dealt with and has asked if it would be possible for IARU to hold a virtual conference for that purpose. New thinking is emerging about how to approach band planning globally.

IARU President Tim Ellam and IARU Secretary Joel Harrison reported on a presentation to Amateur Radio Digital Communications (ARDC) to provide background on the IARU for their future consideration of possible grant proposals.

The AC is currently reviewing opportunities for an in-person meeting sometime during the first half of 2023

Qatar Amateur Radio Society (QARS) to Host Amateur Radio Event during FIFA World Cup.

In conjunction with the FIFA World Cup, scheduled for November 18 through December 8, 2022 in Qatar, QARS is arranging a large-scale event for amateur radio operators worldwide. Radio amateurs interested in participation are requested to contact QARS via email at a71a@qatar.net.qa.

The Calendar is the official bulletin of the International Amateur Radio Union. It is distributed to member-societies to present proposals for their consideration and to share information about the work of the IARU to protect, promote, and advance the amateur and amateur-satellite services.

Sudan Amateur Radio Union Proposed for IARU Membership

IARU Region 1 has received, reviewed, and accepted an application for membership from the Sudan Amateur Radio Union (SARU). Accordingly, the admission of SARU is proposed for approval by the IARU member-societies.

SARU was founded on August 6, 2021 with 54 licensed amateurs as members. There are 59 licensed amateurs in the country. Office bearers are:

President: Ahmed Abdelrahman Abuzeid Ahmed, ST2BZ

Secretary: Magdi Osman Ahmed Abdelrahim, ST2M

Additional Board Members: Nadir Zaki Ali Khalil, ST2NZ, Mustafa Seed Ahmed

Ibrahim Eltinay, ST2ME, Nadir Abedelhamed Ali Omer ST2NH

IARU Liaison: ST2M

The address of SARU is Khartoum Airport P.O. Box 2 Code 11112-Sudan; Tel: +249 9 1296 3115; Whatsapp: +249 9 2654 0764; email SudanARU@outlook.com; website www.qrz.com/db/st0hq

In compliance with the Bylaws pertaining to applications for membership the following proposal is presented to member societies for consideration.

Proposal No. 263: The Executive Committee of IARU Region 1 has forwarded to the Administrative Council an application for membership submitted by the Sudan Amateur Radio Union (SARU). Region 1 reports that it has examined the application and has made a favorable finding. Therefore, in accordance with Bylaw 3, it is proposed that SARU be elected to membership to represent the amateurs of Sudan.

Voting Procedure

Member-societies will find a vote sheet for Proposal No. 263 accompanying this *Calendar*. The closing date for receipt by the International Secretariat of votes on Proposal No. 263 is five months after the date of this *Calendar*, or **18 July 2022**. Please note that **votes received after this date cannot be counted**.

The preferred method for return of a vote sheet is by scanned email attachment to secretary@iaru.org. Return by fax to +1 860 594 0259 or by mail to IARU International Secretariat, PO Box 310905, Newington, CT 06131-0905 USA are also acceptable.

QSL Bureau Mailings

IARU has received several reports of packages of QSL cards addressed to QSL bureaus being returned to the senders. We ask for your assistance in determining the extent of the problem.

If your member-society operates a QSL bureau, either incoming, outgoing, or both, please answer the following questions:

1. Have you received reports of packages sent to you being returned undelivered? If so, for each case please give the country of origin and the reason the package was returned, if known.
2. Have any packages you have sent to other countries been returned to you undelivered? If so, for each case please give the country to which it was sent and the reason it was returned, if known.
3. Are you having any other problems related to the international shipment of QSL cards?

A fast reply will be appreciated to secretary@iaru.org - Please reply even if you are having no problems with such shipments.

Youth Overlay to be Added to the IARU HF World Championship

Promotion of youth activities in amateur radiosport provides educational opportunities in many areas. Beginning with the 2022 IARU HF World Championship scheduled for July 9-10 a “Youth Overlay” category will be added. Rules for the event are located at <http://www.arrl.org/iaru-hf-world-championship>

Sincere 73 to all,



Joel Harrison, W5ZN
IARU Secretary