



International Amateur Radio Union – Region 1

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Permanent HF Committee C4



Interim Meeting Vienna 2016

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 16th and 17th of April 2016 at the InterCity Hotel in Vienna. The Austrian society, OEVSV, has kindly invited us to meet in Vienna.

Any contributions for this meeting shall be received by
ON4AVJ (VHF/UHF/MW),
DK4VW (HF) and
DL9KCE (EMC) no later than 16 January 2016.

The contributions and the draft meeting agenda will be distributed to you and the member societies before 6 February 2016.

OEVSV has drafted the following schedule:

Friday, 15th April 2016:

- 2000 - 2030 hrs: Welcome drink at the hotel (sponsored by OEVSV)
- 2030 - 2200 hrs: Dinner

Saturday, 16th April 2016:

- 0730 - 0830 hrs: Breakfast
- 0830 - 1000 hrs: Committee meeting C4 & C5
- 1000 - 1020 hrs: break
- 1020 - 1200 hrs: Committee meeting C4 & C5
- 1200 - 1330 hrs: Lunch
- 1330 - 1530 hrs: Committee meeting C4 , C5 & C7
- 1530 - 1600 hrs: break
- 1600 - 1900 hrs: Committee meeting C4 , C5 & C7
- 20:00 hrs: Dinner (hosted by OEVSV)

Sunday, 17 April 2016:

- 0800 - 0900 hrs: Breakfast
- 0900 - 1200 hrs: Committee meeting (C4 & C5, if necessary C7)
- 1200 - 1400 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 (Westbahnhof) and an underground station (U6), from where the city centre (St. Stephan's Cathedral) can be reached in a few minutes. The HQ of OEVSV lies within an eight minutes' walk from the hotel. We will use comfortable and quiet meeting rooms and enjoy the good catering provided by the hotel.

Costs package:

Conference package EUR 326 - includes:

- Accommodation in single room from Friday to Sunday with breakfast (high speed internet)
- Conference fee including refreshments during breaks
- Meals (1x dinner, 2x lunch)
- Public transport ticket

Additional information:

- Not included is the transfer from / to the Airport. Please see www.cityairporttrain.com or www.airportservices-vie.com for further information.
- Additional nights or room rate for 2 persons: please send a mail to OE1MCU

Please mail your hotel and conference reservations for Vienna to: oe1mcu@oevsv.at

Proposals for the conference and any other questions about the meeting to: DK4VW@darcd.de

DEADLINES:

- 16 January 2016 for contributions.
- 06 February 2016 binding registration of participants for the Sub Working Groups.
- 10 March 2016 for all payments.

Please help the organizational committee by observing the deadlines!

Contest free segments on some HF bands

I would like to ask member societies to consider incorporation into contests rules the recommendations below concerning contest free segments, if not already done:

It is recommended that within the chapter 'Guidelines for HF Contests' of the IARU Region 1 HF Manager's Handbook, a distinct recommendation to incorporate contest free segments in the rules of contests organized by national societies and its' subdivisions shall be given and made well known.

(Cavtat 2008 – CT08_C4_Rec_15)

It is recommended that Region 1 Member Societies check and put into effect rules that relate to frequency usage for the HF contests that they organize, and that the Region 1 Executive considers encouraging other IARU Regions to adopt a similar approach. (Cavtat 2008 – CT08_C4_Rec_16)

With both recommendations it is expected that contest rules give specific frequency ranges to be kept free of contest activity.

It is still time for your HF contest committee to check national rules whether an appropriate action has to be taken to follow the recommendations for contest events in 2016.

The next Interim Meeting might be a good possibility to discuss this matter further.

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