



**THE INTERNATIONAL AMATEUR RADIO UNION,
REGION 1
AMATEUR RADIO DIRECTION FINDING
WORKING GROUP**



**To: all members of the IARU Region1
ARDF Working Group**

**Cc: IARU Region 1 EC
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MINUTES

40th Plenary Meeting of the IARU Region 1 ARDF Working Group

**held at the IARU Region 1 General Conference, Landshut, Germany,
September 17th, 2017, 08:40 - 09:40**

The agenda:

1. The meeting was opened by the ARDF WG Chairman on September 17th, 2017 at 08:40.
2. The WG Chairman welcomed the guests
 - Ole Garpestad, LA2RR, IARU Vice-President
 - Oliver Tabakovski, Z32TO, IARU Region 1 Executive Committee Member
3. Introduction of the present WG members and their attendants
 - see the list of participants (Appendix A)
4. Proxies
 - Following proxies were presented and accepted:
 - PZK (Poland) holds the proxy for UARL (Ukraine)
 - SRS (Serbia) holds the proxy for KFRR (Kazakhstan)
5. The agenda of the 40th ARDF WG Plenary Meeting was approved unanimously.
6. The 39th ARDF WG Plenary Meeting was held in Druskininkai, Lithuania and its minutes were already approved. These minutes and the minutes of the 40th Plenary Meeting will become the content of the Conference Document LA17_C3_12 b.
The meeting confirmed that all decisions of the 39th IARU Region 1 ARDF WG Plenary Meeting are respected.

7. According to the EC, the WG Vice-Chairman shall be elected by the WG itself, so Kai Pastor, DG0YT is elected as the ARDF WG Vice-Chairman for the forthcoming period (item 9.2 of the 39th ARDF WG PM Minutes).
8. Dusan, YU1EA, presented the bid for hosting the IARU ARDF World Championship 2020. As to the question which arose at the previous ARDF WG meeting he explained that although SRS is a candidate to host the IARU R1 GC2020 as well, the dates of both events are more than two weeks apart, events shall be organized by two separate groups of personnel and shall not complicate the organisation of each other. The presentation was accepted and the ARDF WG will decide in the beginning of October 2017 by e-mail voting.
9. Any other business, courtesies
 - Responsibilities of organizing societies
The Chairman asked all societies applying for organizing to realize that by their application, they commit to provide an event according the ARDF rules. Problems caused by lack of personnel, equipment or knowledge are not acceptable. The participants deserve nothing less than the high standard which is defined in the ARDF rules. ARDF WG will provide any requested assistance.
 - Responsibilities of International Class Referees
Similar to organizing societies, International class referees – acting as members of the Jury - need to be aware of their duties. They must be – and stay – familiar with all current rules, regulations and guidelines, and with latest development in ARDF. ARDF WG will look into conducting examinations and training at the beginning of every IARU ARDF Championship to ensure that all International referees realize their responsibility.
 - In a short discussion the importance of English speaking abilities and knowledge of the Rules was highlighted. The members of the International Jury shall be selected by the ARDF WG and International Jury Chairmen.
10. To close the meeting
 - The WG Chairman passed his thanks to all ARDF WG members for their work and expressed hope for the fruitful cooperation in the future.
 - Z32TO passed his thanks to the ARDF WG Chairman for his effort and for the productive cooperation in the past period.
 - The WG Chairman closed the meeting at 9:40.



Jiří Mareček, OK2BWN

IARU Region 1 ARDF Working Group Chairman

Minute taker: Kai Pastor, DG0YT

Recommendations for the IARU Region 1 General Conference:

Recommendation 1: To approve the documents LA17_C3_12, 12a, 12b

Recommendation 2: To appoint the proposed candidate, Jiří Mareček, OK2BWN as the IARU Region 1 ARDF WG Chairman.

APPENDIX A:

List of participants of the 40th IARU R1 ARDF WG Plenary Meeting

name, callsign	society
Jiří Mareček, OK2BWN	Chairman
Ole Garpestad, LA2RR	IARU
Oliver Tabakovski, Z32TO	IARU R1 EC
Peter Young, VK3MV	IARU R3
Panayot Danev, LZ1US	BFRA
Jiří Šanda, OK1RI	CRC
Kai Pastor, DG0YT	DARC
Gheorghe Paisa, YO3CZW	FRR
Dieter Kritzer, OE8KDK	OeVSV
Tomasz Ciepielowski, SP5CCC	PZK
Jacques Sager, F6BEE	REF
David Lauder, G0SNO	RSGB
Roman Kudláč, OM3EI	SARA
Marko Wirtanen, OH8WM	SRAL
Dusan Čeha, YU1EA	SRS
Claude van Pottelsberghe, ON7TK	UBA