European Radio Amateurs' Organization: what is this and why?

EURAO is intended to be a meeting point for all independent radio amateurs' associations around the world, mainly from Europe, interested in sharing their activities and experiences, making up common services, working together in new projects and, of course, lobbying Public Administrations.

Also individual members from any country are welcome. In fact, they are for whom this project makes sense.

Federation of associations will be, finally, the legal form of EURAO. Meanwhile, all member associations established the Promoters Committee, whose mission is to take steps to fully legalize the organization. To be part of this Committee, the joining agreement should be signed. More than one association per country is allowed.

As usual, daily management is carried out by an elected Board of Directors and some simple operating rules approved, including annual fees for associations and individuals.

This leaflet is trying to explain the benefits you will get as a member of EURAO.

Amateur Radio News...

EURAO at HAM RADIO 2012: thank you all for your support

European Radio Amateurs' Organization was officially presented at the HAM RADIO fair this year with a great success and a very warm welcome.

A lot of visitors showed a high interest in our project: grouping alternative radio amateur associations and individuals from all over Europe, and beyond, with no limits, and willing to work together.

Thanks to all those that give us their support in some way. You are invited to know us a little bit better...

Milestones in the history of EURAO

Despite being so young, European Radio Amateurs' Organization already has a history behind that could be summarized as follows:

- **2005**: F5RCS, Vincent, proposed the idea of creating an European association of radio amateurs for those (>60%) out of the only one existing internationally.
- **2009**: the Promoters Committee was created by the first member associations, it operates like an assembly: one member, one vote; decisions taken by half plus one.
- **2010**: starting EuroBureauQSL like a coordinated network of bureaus members run.
- **2011**: first face to face Meeting, in Barcelona.
- **2012**: official presentation at HAM RADIO, Friedrichshafen.

Come to be part of the history, share with us the next steps...

**EuroBureauQSL: the EURAO's QSL Bureaus Network**

The European Radio Amateurs' Organization, and its members, concerned about the growing problem of QSL cards not delivered to the addressees by some IARU member-societies, launch their own QSL Bureaus Network with the strong commitment to make available, whenever possible, to all radio amateurs their QSLs at no extra cost other than shipping and handling, without any kind of restriction.

Currently **EBQ** has entry points in: Argentina, Belgium, Chile, France, Greece, Portugal, Spain and Andorra, United Kingdom, Uruguay, Venezuela, ...
EURAO Individual Membership: What else?

Becoming individual member of EURAO costs only 10 EUR/year and in return you will get:

- a Welcome Pack with:
  - a Welcome letter signed by the President and/or Secretary-General
  - your European Radio Amateur Card, plastified with your picture and data
  - a Presentation leaflet
- a quarterly Newsletter sent home
- with also your received QSLs (if any, up to 20 gr)
- the right to full use International QSL Service extra options at special prices
- access to the EURAO Member Benefits Program
- info about EURAO TV Channel programming
- opportunity to participate in the fate of the Organization and European amateur radio
- ...

And the honor of being part of the first radio amateurs’ federation across Europe borders.

Payment can be done to PayPal account: eurao@eurao.org or by credit card. Enroll here.

EURAO Association Membership: the pride of making the future

Associations are the cornerstones of EURAO. They have the responsibility but also the great privilege of being pioneers in this collaborative project, building up this Organization.

From small radio clubs to large national associations, everyone can belong to this fantastic community, of about 8,000 radio amateurs, designing and participating in new projects.

For an annual fee of 100 EUR, member associations will get access to common benefits and shared services for all their members, such as: EuroBureauQSL, TV Channel, etc.

Ready to join?

EURAO Promoters Committee and its Joining Agreement

Created in 2009, Promoters Committee has the mission of managing and guiding the organization to its full constitution and includes all associations interested in this project.

Promoters Committee operates as an assembly: one member, one vote; decisions are taken democratically by half plus one of members; all members have the right to speak; only members abreast of their fee have voting right; etc.

To be part of Promoters Committee signing the Joining Agreement is a must, which content is as follows:

Constitution of the European Radio Amateurs’ Organization (EURAO)

I, the undersigned, fully capable of proceeding and duly authorized by my respective association, agree with the constitution of the “European Radio Amateurs’ Organization (EURAO)” and apply to join the Promoters Committee, who will study and generate the necessary by-laws to legalize this organization, involving the widest number of interested associations.

At ____________, on the ___th of ____________, ____,

(Signature)

Name and surname: __________________________________________
Callsign: _______________
Charge: ____________________________
Association: _____________________________________________
Country: ___________________________

Amateur Radio News... (cont.)

EURAO in the Transparency Register of European Union

Lobbying is “a necessary and legitimate task of interaction with public institutions, healthy for the quality of democracy, for their capacity to deliver adequate policies, matching needs and reality” according to the Transparency Register of European Union whose Code of Conduct EURAO agrees and defends. See more details.

EURAO Newsletter issue dates

- 15 February
- 15 June
- 15 September
- 1 December

EURAO Newsletter, quarterly and in two formats: pdf and web.

International QSL Service: prices

- Sending:
  - 0,50 €/QSL (*)
- Receiving (**):
  - 1,50 € ($2) 20 gr.
  - 2,00 € ($2.75) 50 gr.
  - 3,00 € ($4) 100 gr.

(*) 50% off with label+web, free exchange between members.
(**) extra shipping or overweight.

EuroBureauQSL: statistics

- QSLs: 16204
- Shipping: 4214
- Callsigns: 5805
- Users: 1310
- EURAO: 1095
- IARU: 571
- Direct: 1228
- eQSL: 810
- LoTWF: 343
- GlobalQSL: 133
- Countries: 62
- Continents: 6
- Languages: 13

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EURAO booth few minutes before opening HAM RADIO 2012.

Check your log and do QSL

Upload your ADIF file and get the callsigns able to receive cards via EuroBureauQSL. It’s free!