United Nations granted EURAO special consultative status

Last May, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations recommended special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations to EURAO.

In July, at its Coordination and Management Meeting, ECOSOC endorsed this recommendation, communicating its final decision in early August.

EURAO started the application process four years ago, in 2014, having to provide a lot of information about its organisation: legal aspects, finances, structure, membership, tasks done, etc.

With this recognition, EURAO can be heard in the subsidiary bodies of the UN and even participate in its meetings in person, although its initial intention is just to make itself available to them (QRV) and collect information.

Amateur radio is of great help in developing countries, emergency communications, health, education, etc. Some of EURAO members carry out an outstanding work in this sense: with children, with indigenous communities, with migrants, etc.

To know more about benefits of the consultative status, there is this interesting booklet, in several languages, entitled "Working with ECOSOC".

On the personalized confirmation letter, you can also find a short list of privileges and obligations that organizations with consultative status have to take into account.

This grant is really a great honor for EURAO, as well as a responsibility before the global radio amateurs community.

Amateur Radio News...

EANET Sprint Contest 2018: for international clubs and hams

On November 4, from 08:00 to 12:00 UTC, it will be held the next edition of the "sprint contest" version of the same name Award, devoted to the "Radio Clubs of the World".

In just four hours you can win original and funny prizes that you can share with your mate or friends: hotels, restaurants, wellness or adventures.

Moreover, you will have the opportunity to contact those radio clubs you still needed to complete the EANET Award.

Exempt Radio Amateur aerials from requiring planning permission

M0PLT, member of UKQRM and EURAO, started a Petition on the UK Government and Parliament website asking to amend the law to exempt all licensed Radio Amateurs (and C.B. radio users) from requiring planning permission for their aerials, because current regulations severely restrict their ability to erect experimental aerial systems. Help him get it!
EURAO Party - Autumn 2018: discover the 60m band

The European Radio Amateurs’ Organization announces a new party on the air, this time with the motto: “discover the 60m band”. Remember this is not a contest, it is just a radio meeting with a few simple ‘rules’, better to call them recommendations.

Purpose: 60m/5MHz is a quite new band just approved in WRC-15: 5.351–5.366,5 KHz. It is in between 80m and 40m bands and it is ideal for local-to-medium distance and NVIS communications. The best and magical moment is at twilight. The goal of this party is to promote the band, have fun and meet other hams. Of course also SWLing is welcome.

Date & time: October 13th and 14th, 2018, Saturday and Sunday, 00:00-24:00 UTC.

Bands & modes: these are the recommended modes/frequencies (+/-) for 60m: CW+digital/5.351–5.354, USB/5.354,0–5.366,0 and weak signal/5.366,0–5.366,5 KHz.

Call: “CQ EURAO Party”.

Exchange: because this is a QSO event, not a contest, you can talk about whatever you want, in any language, and for as long as you like. Here are some topic suggestions to get the conversation going: name, city, locator, weather, antennas, rigs, etc. Also talk about QSL interchange. Tell the truth. Say “no, thanks” if you are not interested. Also talk about QSOs, countries, callsigns, OMs/YLs/Clubs, etc.

About our members...

Union of Radio Amateurs of the DPR

SRDNR was founded in 2016 for hams around Donetsk (a territory of Ukraine in conflict) in order to promote their hobby and provide representation before public authorities.

Hope that becoming member club of EURAO will contribute to peace.

http://www.d1dnr.ru/soyuz/

Kempische Amateur Radioclub

KAR, PI4KAR was founded in 1993 in Bladel, with the ideal goal to bring together the radio amateurs and those interested in technology in the Kempen.

Share this with others is the main reason to become member club of EURAO. https://www.pi4kar.net

News in brief

• 90 years of the Kharkov short wave club: July 1-October 1, 2018, SES EM90L, EN90L and E090L will be on air in occasion of this celebration. A pdf Diploma will be available via email: E090L.diplom@gmail.com

• OS20VRA: September 28-November 4, 2018, celebrating 20 years of VRA. Special QSL available. http://www.vra.be

• JOTA 2018: Jamboree on the Air will be held on October 19-21. https://www.jotajoti.info

• VRA Activity Day: October 20, 2018, on 2m band in SSB and FM. http://www.vra.be

• Asia Pacific DX Convention 2018: on November 16-18, in Osaka, Japan. http://apdx.org

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