



Letter of Understanding regarding co-operation between CEPT/ ECC and IARU Region 1

Letter of Understanding made on the 30-10-2003

The Parties,

the Electronic Communications Committee (ECC) of the Conférence Européenne des Administrations des Postes et des Télécommunications (CEPT) ,

and

the International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 (IARU R1), representing the Amateur Service and the Amateur-Satellite Service for the ITU-R Region 1,

having noted:

the need of structuring and strengthening their relationship and fostering their co-operation,

recognising that:

CEPT/ ECC is an organisation of governmental bodies, hence with limited possibilities to enter binding agreements with other organisations;

and that

IARU R 1 is an autonomous sub-organisation of the IARU, registered in Geneva, Switzerland as a non-governmental, non-commercial, non-profit international organisation. IARU R1 federates amateur radio member-societies in the ITU Region 1 area, e.g. Europe, Africa, the Middle East and Northern Asia,

and considering that:


- CEPT/ ECC is the recognised organisation in Europe responsible for the development of common regulatory policies, especially for allocation of spectrum at European level in the field of radiocommunications;
- IARU R1 has the statutory objective to represent the amateur and amateur-satellite services at the international intergovernmental forum;
- CEPT/ ECC and IARU R1 have a common interest and objective both in ensuring the most efficient use and management of the Frequency Spectrum for all Radio applications, and the development of radiocommunication and enhancement of the radio art,

agree to co-operate as follows:

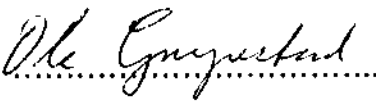
1. CEPT/ ECC and IARU R1 agree to exchange information and seek, to the maximum extent possible, a common European approach concerning radio matters. The two parties may exchange as they may agree, free of charge, any information on programmes of work in areas of mutual interest.
2. Copies of relevant working documents from either Party shall be made available to the other Party on request. The dissemination by one Party of the documents received from the other party will be limited to the members of the relevant part of the receiving Party, and solely for the purpose of the activities relating to the Party's work programme.
3. All copyright, and other intellectual and industrial rights embodied in documents exchanged between CEPT/ ECC and IARU R1 and any copies thereof, remain with the originating party and extend to all media in which the information may be embodied. Any reference to these documents shall be submitted to the agreement of the originating party prior communication to other bodies.
4. The CEPT/ ECC Chairman and the IARU R1 Chairman, or their authorised representatives, having lead responsibility for radio regulatory and spectrum issues should meet periodically at their convenience, but at least once a year.
5. Participation of one nominated Observer, or a substitute, from IARU R1 is normally permitted at meetings of the CEPT/ ECC, its Working Groups, Project Teams and Task Groups.
6. Participation of one nominated Observer, or a substitute, from CEPT/ ECC is normally permitted at meetings of the IARU R1, its Working Groups, Project Teams and Task Groups.
7. Observers shall, to the extent permitted by the relevant Party's organisational statutes and rules, be entitled to participate fully in discussions on relevant work items, and may submit written contributions, but shall not be party in the decision making process.

- 8 IARU R1 may submit proposals to the relevant CEPT/ ECC Body. These shall be adopted subject to the normal CEPT/ ECC process for approval of new work items and outputs.
- 9 This Agreement shall last for three years and may be renewed by mutual consent. On its expiry, the Agreement shall be automatically renewed for further one-year periods unless otherwise agreed by the Parties. The Agreement can be terminated by either Party on giving three months' written notice before the expiry date.
- 10 The practical contacts and decisions for the application of this Agreement will be taken between the CEPT/ ECC Chairman and the IARU R1 Chairman.

Agreed for CEPT/ ECC by

Signature  Chairman CEPT/ ECC
Name: Chris van Diepenbeek
Date: 30-10-03

Agreed for IARU R1 by

Signature:  Chairman IARU Region 1
Name: Ole Garpestad
Date: 06-11-03
