NRAU meeting 2025 minutes

Time: 13.4.2025 at 0800 - 1150 UTC **Place:** Virtual meeting / Google meet

Participants:

EDR: Arne (OZ4VW)
IRA: Kristjan (TF3KB)

NRRL: Ole (LA2RR), Pål (LA6CSA), Frode (LA6VQ)

SSA: Mats (SM6EAN), Thomas (SM0KBD), Eric (SM1TDE)

SRAL: Henri (OH3JR), Mikael (OH3BHX), Markku (OH2BQZ), Jussi (OH5LK)

1. Official opening of the meeting

Markku (OH2BQZ) welcomed all participants to the meeting on behalf of SRAL.

2. Presentation of all participants

3. Short presentation from each Society, max 10 minutes ("State of the union")'

Presentations are attached to the minutes.

4. IARU R1 news (SM6EAN)

Presentation is attached to the minutes.

5. NRAU topics

Organizing NRAU- Baltic Contest (NRRL proposal):

To set up a small working group to go through and document the procedure for the organizing society when organizing the NRAU-Baltic Contest. The group should consist of only 3 members: one representative from the Baltic societies, one "contest specialist" like Ingo SM5AJV and the NRRL HF contest manager Sanimir LB6VI.

Decision: Markku will contact Ingo to see if he is willing to join the group and ask Ingo for a proper candidate from the Baltic countries. Results to be distributed to NRAU societies.

Exchange of magazines:

EDR reported that there have been delays in getting the latest magazines for distribution. Issues identified were manual upload of files and missing notification on newly added material.

Decision: Mikael will collect a group to discuss how to improve the process.

6. IARU R1 Interim meeting proposals (https://conf.iaru-r1.org/documents/)

C5 (VHF+):

PA25_C5_03	23cm Band considerations	For information	SRI	_C G4SJH
PA25_C5_04	Addressing risks of losing portions of the 23cm band	For decision	UBA	A ON6TI
PA25_C5_04a	BIPT_raadpleging_ram_2024-03-27	For information	UBA	A ON6TI
PA25_C5_04b	UBA-response consultation 2024-B1	For information	UBA	A ON6TI
PA25_C5_05	Review of the 23cm band plan	For decision	UBA	A ON6TI
PA25_C5_06	Minimum requirements for a valid QSO	For decision	SRA	AL OH5LK
PA25_C5_07	Use of public SDR receiver sites on QO-100 satellite	For decision	SRA	AL OH5LK
PA25_C5_08	Requirements for a valid contact on satellite contacts between Regions	For decision	SRA	AL OH5LK
PA25_C5_09	Innovation & Opportunities above 275GHz	For decision	RSG	BB G6JYB
PA25_C5_10	1.3GHz Background and Options	For decision	RSG	B G6JYB
PA25_C5_11	1.3 GHz Band – Additional Information (Update)	For information	RSG	BB G6JYB
PA25_C5_12	Wideband FMATV in 1.3GHz	For decision	RSG	B G6JYB
PA25_C5_13	IARU Region 1 Satellite Coordinator's Report Dec 2024	For information	IARU-R	R1 G3VZV
PA25_C5_14	Establish a working group to propose update of the CEPT HAREC Radio Amateur License syllabus	For decision	NRRL	LA6VQ

NRAU view: Supported / Neutral / Rejected

Many of the proposals concern 1.3 GHz band plans. However, it was noted that there is a CEPT ECC vote in June on this topic. Any band plan should be agreed only after knowing CEPT decision so related proposals should be discuss-only items in the Paris meeting. Also, local regulators will still have much freedom to deviate from the CEPT decision based on interpretation of local conditions. CEPT will address only frequencies over 1258 MHz, an opportunity to ham radio?

C4 (HF):

PA25_C4_03	HF Harmonisation and Digital Voice	For decision	RSGB	G6JYB
PA25_C4_04	HF Harmonisation and Emergency Centres of Activity (CoA)	For decision	RSGB	G6JYB
PA25_C4_05r1	Radio Sport Promotion Group	For decision	IARU-R1	F6BEE
PA25_C4_06	IARU-R1 and the adjudication of the IARU HF World Championshi	p For decision	REF	F6BEE
PA25_C4_07	Establish a working group to propose update of the CEPT HAREC Radio Amateur License syllabus	For decision	NRRL	LA6VQ

NRAU view: Supported / Neutral / Rejected

Views were mixed on Radio Sports Promotion Group: It was seen good to have promotion on this part of the hobby, but mixing totally different kinds of activities (HF/VHF/ARDF/HST) with on overlay layer was not seen feasible.

IARU HF Championship is a IARU contest organized by ARRL. Which role R1 should have is not so clear.

C7 (EMC):

PA25_C7_03	ENAMS 2.0 Promotions	For decision DARC DL6SES, DG8AL
PA25_C7_04	Newsletter to promote greater participation in IARU EMC and RF Noise initiatives	For decision SARL ZS6QL, ZS6YZ, ZS6AKV

ENAMS 2.0 is a valuable project, SSA has already ordered 3 units. However, roles of C7 and DARC in unit production and distribution should be made clearer.

Newsletter is a good idea but needs a committed person to publish it regularly. ZS6AKV to take the role?

C8 (Youth):

PA25_C8_03	New License and Education System in Germany as a Blueprint for Future Harmonization	For decision	DARG	DL9MJ
PA25_C8_04	Establish quarterly online meetings for closer collaboration between YOTA managers	For decision	UBA	ON4CKM
PA25 C8 05	Improve the YOTA website	For decision	UBA	ON4CKM

For the "New License and Education System" it is OK to have a group work on this, but the work should be separate from the HAREC WG proposed by NRRL.

NRRL's proposal "Establish a working group to propose update of the CEPT HAREC Radio Amateur License syllabus" will be added also to C8 agenda.

IARUMS/Satellite/Technology WG:

Documents/reports submitted "For information" only.

7. Any other business

None

8. Next meeting

Preliminary reservation for a virtual meeting on Saturday September 5, 2026 (preparation for the Vienna GC on 18.-23.9.2026)