SUBJECT	Exchanging ATV contest logs		
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1.   Introduction

To allow judging the IARU Region 1 ATV contest as well as the sub-regional ATV contests in March, June and December of each year, and aligning to the proposition to collect logs for other V/U/SHF contests, we do propose to collect ATV contest logs on a central repository (e.g. FTP Server).

In a later phase, a "robot" can be implemented and made available to the contest managers.

2.   Background

Although ATV contests are quite "local" compared to VHF contests, a lot of contacts are performed into neighbouring countries, and it is very difficult, especially for small countries, to perform cross-checks on ATV contest logs.

Countries with lot of participants usually have enough data to cross-check even with foreign stations, but countries where the number of participants is low will have no visibility on the majority of contacts performed across the border.

The organising society for the IARU region 1 ATV contest will also have the opportunity to correct all submitted logs across the region.

Note that a common log format, (c.f. the electronic worksheet proposed separately in this meeting) would facilitate the processing of the logs.

3.   Key points and proposal

Logs should be made available by each society in electronic format to other societies.

The repository (FTP server) is accessible according to the same protocol as defined for the V/U/SHF contests.

The log repository should be organised to restrict write access only to folders allocated to individual societies. Sub-folders should be created for each contest date. Entries should use a common naming convention and format.

4.   Recommendation

Each society participating to the IARU Region 1 ATV contest, as well as each society organising sub-regional ATV contests, should be invited to deposit all log entries on the central repository, no later that 1 month after the contest (or weeks after the deadline for submitting the log entries to the contest manager).

The repository should be available to all participating contest managers from that date on for cross-checking purposes.