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1. Introduction

We need to actualise the way of organisation of the IARU Region 1 VHF Contests (50/70 MHz/144 MHz and UHF & up).

2. Background

In the actual VHF Handbook (7.51) it is stipulated that a MS is responsible for the organisation of these contests, and this is changing every year (see page 142). This was good in a time that the contest evaluation was done without contest robot.

Now we use our IARU Region 1 contest robot for the evaluation. During the last 4 years, it was the DARC (DL5NAH) who did this work.

Managing the contest by this robot for evaluation means a good knowledge of the software that is been used and a good cooperation with the software developers. This cannot be organized if every year there is another MS responsible.

3. Key points and proposal

Seen the actual evolution of organizing the contests we need a Contest manager/coordinator, like we have other coordinators (see point 1.6). This manager will be responsible for organizing the 3 contests:

- Encouraging participation by making publicity to the MS the IARU-Region 1 website and other means
- Contest evaluation and judging
- Coordinate the development of the contest robot
- Responsible for awards and certificates
- Responsible for making a yearly budget, in cooperation with the C5 Chairman. This budget need to be approved by the EC.

4. Recommendations

For the organisation of the different IARU Region 1 VHF contests (except ATV) the VHF/UHF/ μ Waves Committee will appoint a Contest manager as coordinator with following tasks:

- Encouraging participation by making publicity to the MS the IARU Region 1 website and other means
- Contest evaluation and judging
- Coordinate the development of the contest robot

- Responsible for awards and certificates
- Responsible for making a yearly budget, in cooperation with the C5 Chairman. This budget need to be approved by the EC.

This means IARU Region 1 will be accountable for organizing the contests. From 2018, we will have no more MS responsible for the organization of the VHF contests.

5. Remark

If it is possible to do the same for the ATV contest it would be great.