

CROATIAN AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION



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15th ARDF World Championships 13-18 September 2010 Opatija, Croatia

CROATIAN AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION (HRS) is pleased to invite ARDF teams, individual competitors, visitors and guest from all over the world to the 15th ARDF World Championships to be held in Croatia during September 2010.

Venue:

OPATIJA - is the most popular sea resort in Croatia, at the Adriatic coast, 175km far away from Zagreb.

Opatija, often called the Nice of the Adriatic, is one of the most popular and the oldest tourist summer and winter destination in Croatia, and a place with the longest tourist tradition on the eastern coast of the Adriatic and one of the most elite resort in Croatia today.

OPATIJA - this elegant tourist destination, lies at the centre of the Riviera with the longest tradition of tourism in Croatia. The very attractive geographic position, enabling its warm seas to be quickly reached from many cities in **Central Europe** (only about 90 km from Trieste in Italy, 500 km from Milan, Vienna and Munich), lush green scenery and a pleasant climate (45° 20' north latitude) were some of the main reasons for its beginning and the quick development of its tourism at the end of the 19th century. It became a fashionable destination for the Austrian imperial family and Austrian nobility, especially for the Austrian emperor Franz Joseph I who used to spend a several months in Opatija during a winter period and enjoyed it's mild, favorable climate. Built mainly at

the turn of the 20th century, but many of late 19th-century luxury hotels and villas have survived to present times. **Opatija** has remained in complete harmony with Nature right up until the present day.

Well-maintained public gardens, the illuminated **12-km-long coastal promenade** known as the **"Lungomare"** (from **Volosko, via Opatija, to Lovran**). Well-kept beaches and fountains provide a stunning backdrop for the villas and hotels that cater comfortably for up to **6.000 guests**. Due to a relatively constant temperature (**winter average 7.0 °C, summer average 21.9 °C**), high air pressure and constant circulation of air, the climate in **Opatija** is relaxing and refreshing. The contrasts of sea and mountains, green parks and blue ocean, old buildings and modern comforts, noisy entertainment venues and quiet destinations for excursions all combine to make **Opatija** and its surroundings a very attractive tourist resort at any time of the year.

The tourist offering of Opatija includes its **congress centre** (with space for 500 to 800 delegates), **11 indoor swimming pools, wellness programmes, a casino, discotheques, a summer theatre with seating for 2.000, carnivals, festivals**, and opportunities for shorter trips to nearby surroundings or all-day excursions to the **Brijuni National Park, or Risnjak National Park, Plitvice Lakes, or even to Trieste or Venice in Italy**.

The characteristics of the climate have all the traits of a gentle Mediterranean climate with a warm sea, lots of sun and lush vegetation which paints a picture of **Opatija** as a kind of green oasis. Summer temperatures are relatively low because of the cool breezes to come from the Učka mountain while in winter, the temperature is relatively high. **Opatija** is also a place for business meetings throughout the entire year, as well as a center for convention tourism, scientific gatherings and congresses.

The Pearl of Kvarner, Opatija is an ideal starting point for an inspired walk through the past of this region, as well as for taking pleasure in the intimacy of the still untouched present.

In behalf of Organizing Committee we are promising to do our best to make this event unforgettable for all of you.

Letter of Intent

We have received Letter of intent from the following countries:

Albania(AARA), Australia (WIA), Austria (OEVS), Belarus (BLR), Belgium (UBA), Bosnia & Herzegovina (ARABH), Canada (RAC), China (CRSA), Czech Republic (CRC), Denmark (EDR), Estonia (ERAU), France (REF), Great Britain (RSG), Hungary (MRASZ), Israel (IARC), Japan (JARL), Kazakhstan (KFRR), Lithuania (LRMD), Moldova (FRRM), Netherlands (VERON), Nigeria (NARS), Norway (NRRL), Poland (PZK), Russia (SRR), S. Korea (KARL), Slovakia (SARA), Slovenia (ZRS), Spain (URE), Serbia (SRS), Sweden (SSA), Ukraine (UARL), USA (ARRL).

From the above list citizens of **Albania, Belarus, China, Kazakhstan, Moldova, Nigeria, Russia and Ukraine** must have visas for Croatia.

Process of getting Croatian visa

You must go to the embassy **in person** and get your visa there. To the visa application you shall enclose the **Letter of invitation** and the **Letter of guarantee**.

For that HRS must send to you **by post**, not by e - mail, at the postal address of your Society, **Letter of invitation** and **Letter of guarantee**.

Please fill enclosed **Data Form for the Letter of guarantee**. Send the completed form for all participants of your Society **as soon as possible** to e-mail: hqs-hq@hamradio.hr

According to the Croatian law (because you must have *original documents*), HRS will send to you **by post**, not by e - mail, at the *postal address of your Society*, **Letter of invitation** and **Letter of guarantee for all participants**.

For data form for the letter of guarantee [see Appendix 1](#).

Venue of the Championships

Opatija and Gorski Kotar

Program of the Championships

13 September, Monday - Arrival, accommodation;
14 September, Tuesday - Training on both bands, competition blinds, official opening;
15 September, Wednesday - First competition, awarding;
16 September, Thursday - Day off, excursion;
17 September, Friday - Second competition, awarding, closing ceremony and banquet;
18 September, Saturday - Departure.

Please note that on 14th of September we will have 1st ARDF World Championships for the Blind.

Competition rules

IARU Region 1 ARDF rules (http://www.ardf-r1.org/ardf_rules) - version 2.8 will be valid for the Championships

International jury

Chairman: Ole Garpestad, LA2RR

Technical data

Technical data of transmitters

3.5 MHz

RF output power	5 W
Modulation type	A1A
Frequency	3.580 MHz TX, 3.550 MHz beacon
Antenna	Vertical wire 6m

144 MHz

RF output power	1 W
Modulation type	A2A
Frequency	144.600 MHz TX, 144.850 MHz beacon
Antenna	Crossed dipole, 2m AGL

Terrain characteristics

Mid-difficult, with small hills, covered with forest.

Please note that there is big possibility of lower temperatures in competition area than those in Opatija, warmer clothes are preferred.

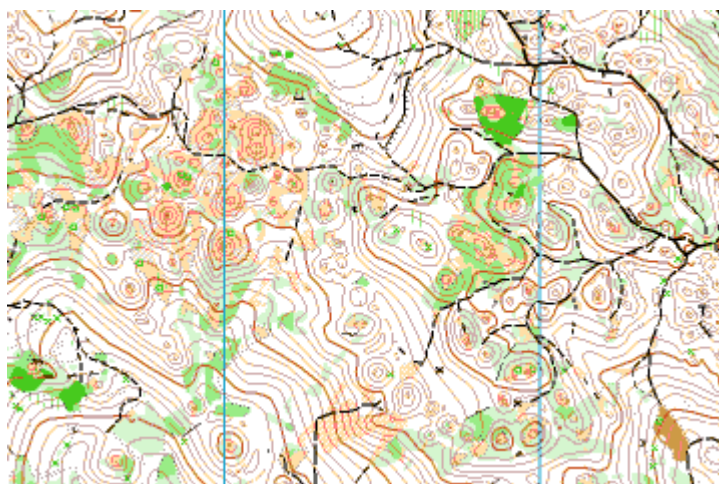
Marking devices

SPORTIdent system

Map

Scale 1:15000 and 1:10000, Size A3-A4, Color printing, IOF standard, Non waterproof

Map sample



Official Application

If your team wants to participate in the Championships and you have not sent the preliminary application - Letter of intent - yet, please send **Official Application** to the organizers address as soon as possible.

15th ARDF World Championships, 13th - 18th September 2010, Opatija, Croatia - Official Application

Please fill in the **Official Application** for the 15th ARDF World Championships in Croatia. You can find it in this document ([see Appendix 2](#)), and excel version is on www.ardf2010.com. An electronic version is preferred one, if possible.

1st ARDF World Championships for the Blind, 14th September 2010, Opatija, Croatia - Official Application

Please fill in the **Official Application** for the 1st ARDF World Championships for the Blind in Croatia. You can find it in this document ([see Appendix 3](#)), and excel version is on www.ardf2010.com. An electronic version is preferred one, if possible.

Arrival and departure

[See Appendix 4](#)

Transfers

AIRPORT PULA (IATA airport code PUY)

- Taxi Euro 65 OW (one way) (min. 2 pax)
- Mini bus /25 seats Euro 30 return transfer (min. 20 pax)
- Bus / 49 seats Euro 25 return transfer (min. 40 pax)

AIRPORT RIJEKA (IATA airport code RJK)

- Taxi Euro 50 OW (one way) (min. 2 pax)
- Mini bus /25 seats Euro 25 return transfer (min. 20 pax)
- Bus / 49 seats Euro 20 return transfer (min. 40 pax)

AIRPORT ZAGREB (IATA airport code ZAG)

- Taxi Euro 150 per way (min. 2 pax)
- Mini bus /25 seats Euro 55 return transfer (min. 20 pax)
- Bus / 49 seats Euro 40 return transfer (min. 40 pax)

All transfers from the airport to the hotel and v.v. will be arranged **upon request**.
Transfers are **not included** in the price of the package (Registration fee).

Information for the trainings before the Championships

A **training camp** will be organized during the week prior the Championships with trainings on both bands. Training dates are 8 / 9 September and 11 / 12 September. There are total of 4 trainings (2+2) with day off on 10th of September (Friday). If you're interested in trainings, you can get all details on ardf2010@ardf2010.com e-mail.

Basic trainings costs are 7 Euro per person per training - without accommodation and transportation to/from training areas.

Accommodation and transfer during the training prior the Championships can be arranged **upon request**.

15th ARDF World Championships Croatia, Opatija 13.-18. September 2010.			
Accommodation prices during a training week, prior to the Championships			
Opatija, 2* hotel	double/twin room	28 €	half board service
	single room	39 €	
Opatija, 3* hotel	double/twin room	35 €	half board service
	single room	43 €	
Hotel prices are quoted in EUR, per person per day, exclusive of accommodation tax (1 € per person per day)			
Availability and reservations upon request only!			

Entry fee and terms of payment

There are lots of options depending on the status of the participants, needs of accommodation/full board, and date of payment as follows:

a) Total package for competitors and Team officials (double/triple occupancy): Euro 320 if paid till 15 July or Euro 350 if paid after 15 July, includes accommodation on full board basis, free day excursion, transportation to the start and from the finish, maps, and banquet.

b) Total package for competitors and Team officials (single occupancy): Euro 415 if paid till 15 July or Euro 450 if paid after 15 July, includes accommodation on full board basis, free day excursion, transportation to the start and from the finish, maps, and banquet.

c) Total package for guests/visitors (out of participants and Team officials): Euro 270 if paid till 15 July or Euro 300 if paid after 15 July, includes accommodation a full board basis, free day excursion, transportation to the start and from the finish, and banquet.

Payment details

Payment by **bank transfer**. Bank transfer costs are covered by Society which makes the payment.

All payments must reach HRS by **15th July 2010**.

The funds should be transferred to the following bank account:

Name of Bank: **Zagrebacka banka d.d., Paromlinska 2, 10 000 Zagreb, Croatia**
Swift: **ZABHR2X**
Recipient: **Hrvatski radioamaterski savez (HRS)**
IBAN: **HR4323600001101561569**

Also note:

- ABBREVIATION OF YOUR SOCIETY (as the payment reference)
- Purpose of payment: Reg. fee - ARDF WCh. 2010.

Contact

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10 000 Zagreb
Croatia
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Appendix 1

DATA FORM FOR THE LETTER OF GUARANTEE (only for those countries who needed it)

Foreigner coming to the Republic of Croatia for a private visit shall enclose to the visa application the **Letter of guarantee**, as a proof of the purpose of his/her visit, filled out by a guarantor-natural person from Croatia.

Please send us following data **for each participant** (competitor, official, visitor etc.):

Name	
Family Name	
Private Address - Street/City/Country	
Place of Birth	
Date of Birth	
Nationality or citizenship	
Passport number	
Passport Date of Issue	
Passport Place of Issue	
Passport Date of Expiry	
Profession or occupation	
Period for which visa is required	
Name of your Society	
Postal address of your Society - Street/City/Country	

Please send the completed forms for all participants of your Society **as soon as possible** to e-mail: [hqs-
hq@hamradio.hr](mailto:hqs@hamradio.hr)

Important:

> According to the Croatian law (because you must have *original documents*), HRS will send to you **by post**, not by e - mail, at the *postal address of your Society*, **Letter of invitation** and **Letter of guarantee for all participants**.

Appendix 2

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CONTACT DATA	
1. Postal address of your Society	
2. Name of contact person	
3. Call sign	
4. Telephone No.	
5. Fax No.	
6. e-mail	

Date	
Signature	

Please, send the completed Official Application form until 15th July 2010.

Appendix 3

1st ARDF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR THE BLIND CROATIA, OPATIJA 14. SEPTEMBER 2010. - ARDF TEAM PARTICIPANT AND VISITOR LIST													
OFFICIAL APPLICATION													
Country													
Society name													
No	Team position (competitor, team leader, trainer, visitor, etc.)	Name	Family name	Gender (F or M)	Call Sign	Category		Date of birth (dd-mm-yyyy)	Passport No.	E-mail address (obligatory for team leaders and coaches)	Cell phone number (obligatory for team leaders and coaches)	Room No.	Vegetarian (yes or no)
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Appendix 4

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE DATA

Name of ARDF team society:

Name of arrival airport / bus station & date of arrival	Flight number & time of arrival	Name of departure airport / bus station & date of departure	Flight number & time of departure	Name and Family name of the participant	Passport No. of the participant

Postojna caves

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Half day tour

A pleasant ride to Postojna and a tour around one of the most beautiful and most popular caves in Europe. This impressive cave, 22 kilometres long with a number of halls with their magnificent stalactites and stalagmites, had been created by nature through millions of years. Proteus anguinus, or "man's fish", a rare and protected species of cave fauna, lives in its underground waters. The tour lasting an hour and a half includes a ride by an electric train, followed by a walk through the most attractive parts of the caves. There will be some leisure time for lunch and shopping for souvenirs.

Transfers, guide and entrance fees included.
Passport or equivalent document obligatory.

Tour of Istria

5

Full day tour

Discover Istria, Croatia's largest peninsula, its attractive coast with historic sites and picturesque landscape of its land part rich in vineyards, olive orchards and little medieval towns "sitting" on top of hillocks. This is an opportunity to encounter the natural and cultural diversity of different land regions of Istria, namely the Red, the Grey and the White Istria. Tour of Pula with its monumental Amphitheatre built by the Emperor Vespasian in the 1st century, the Roman Forum with Augustus's temple, Sergius triumphal arch and other cultural monuments. We depart to the charming town of Rovinj, tour its stone-paved streets up to the church of St Euphemia. Continue to Poreč, renowned for its basilica of St Eufrasius, enlisted in UNESCO World Heritage, and visit its old town centre with stone-built squares and palaces.

Transfers and guide included.



Canoe safari

6



Half day tour

A pleasant ride along the picturesque landscape of Gorski kotar renowned for its dense coniferous forests to the River Kupa on the border between Croatia and Slovenia. We start our canoe safari in the magnificent intact natural surroundings of this eco - preserved river system. An expert in canoeing will give us the necessary instructions, in preparation for our 10 kilometre long descent down the clear green waters of this river. The Krka is tame, with mild rapids ideal for enjoyment of the beautiful landscape we sail by. A rest on the river banks, followed by lunch of local specialities and drinks will round off this river adventure.

Transfers, guide, instructor, canoes with equipment and lunch included.

Tour not recommended to non-swimmers. A change of clothes and footwear recommended.
Passport or equivalent document obligatory.

Krk tour

7

Full day tour

Visit the largest island in the Adriatic, with a bridge linking it with the mainland. We start our tour of the island from the bay of Punat where we embark a boat for the islet of Košljun. Visit its Franciscan monastery, built on the remains of a Roman villa, a valuable library and Ethnographic Museum. We proceed to Vrbnik, a picturesque little town on a slope overlooking the sea, giving us a magnificent view of the mountain masiff of Velebit. Vrbnik is renowned for one of the best Croatian wines, "Vrbnička Žlahtina". Proceed towards Krk, town of rich history, surrounded by walls and city gates, and on to the central square, the Town Hall and the renowned Cathedral of St Mary's Assumption.

Transfers, guide, boat ride and entrance fees included.



INFORMATION & BOOKING:

Tel: 051/ 271 032, 271 155

Fax: 051/ 271 562

TOLL FREE NUMBER: 0800 44 22 44

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DESTINATION MANAGEMENT COMPANY

OPATIJA

M. Tita 116/2

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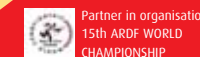
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EXCURSIONS from Kvarner



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1

Venice

Full day tour

A pleasant cruise to Venice, lasting around 2 and a half hours, will take us to one of the most beautiful and the most romantic cities in the world. A great maritime power in the past, called "Serenissima" and "The Queen of the Adriatic", Venice grew on 118 islands and lagoons intersected by canals, linked by some 400 bridges. During the cruise, an Atlas guide will give you details of the day's programme. Sightseeing Venice includes St Mark's square, with its basilica - the best example of Byzantine architecture with its



Bell Tower and the magnificent Doge's Palace. We continue our tour crossing the Accademia Bridge admiring the luxurious beauty of its palaces. Time at leisure to explore this legendary city.

Boat ride, Atlas escort and local guide included. Passport or an equivalent travel document obligatory.



2

Plitvice lakes National park



Full day tour

Plitvice Lakes, surrounded by dense beech and fir forest, is considered one of the most beautiful natural phenomena in the world. Sixteen lakes, connected by 92 waterfalls flow into one another in an incessant play of water and light. Plitvice Lakes, as a protected eco-system, were declared a National Park in 1949, and since 1979 they have been on the UNESCO List of World Natural Heritage. Forests in the National Park are the habitat of various animal



species such as the wolf, the fox, the rabbit, the lynx, the wild boar, the deer and the brown bear. A guided tour of about three hours includes a drive aboard an electric mini train, a boat ride on the lake and a walk.

Transfers, guide and entrance fees to the National Park included. Sportswear recommended.



3

Brijuni islands National park



Full day tour

The Brijuni Archipelago consists of 14 islands and islets of unrivaled beauty, renowned for their preserved Mediterranean vegetation and archaeological sites. They were declared a National Park in 1983. We shall visit the island of Veli Brijun (Large Brijun), the largest island in the archipelago, which was tuned into an aristocratic summer resort for the European jet set of the time by an Austrian industrialist, P. Kuperweisser, at the end of the 19th century. A four hour sightseeing tour includes an hour's ride by a tourist train to the bay of Verige and its remains of a Roman rustic villa, a tour of a safari park with various exotic animals such as zebras, camels, Indian cattle, llamas, and elephants, live free in the open air. We continue our tour with a visit to the photo-exhibition "Tito on Brijuni", the Archaeological Museum and the church of St Germain from the 15th century.

Transfers, guide and entrance fees included.

