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## Golden Globe Race 2018 and radio amateurs



**GGR** is a non-stop solo around the world yacht race that will celebrate its 50th anniversary next year. For this occasion the sailors aim to do things like in the old times, i.e., without modern technology or benefit of satellite based navigation aids.

That's the reason radio amateurs become necessary to keep in touch with skippers and provide them with weather reports. Hams from any country interested in being volunteers for this event, please contact our member association **URC**: [terremer@urc.asso.fr](mailto:terremer@urc.asso.fr)

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### EURAO, a CEPT stakeholder



### EURAO member associations

- **URC**: Union des Radio-Clubs et des Radioamateurs (France)
- **CISAR**: Centro Italiano di Sperimentazione ed Attività Radiantistiche (Italy)
- **FEDI-EA**: Federación Digital EA (Spain)
- **VRA**: Vlaamse RadioAmateurs (Belgium)
- **UFRC**: Union Francophone des Radio Clubs (Belgium)
- **HAG**: Ham Association of Greece
- **FEDERACHI**: Federación Clubes de Radioaficionados de Chile
- **FeRaCat**: Federació de Radioaficionats de Catalunya (Spain)
- **ARR**: Asociația Radioclubul României (Romania)
- **RCL**: Radioamador Clube de Loulé (Portugal)
- **RNRE**: Raggruppamento Nazionale Radiocomunicazioni di Emergenza (Italy)
- **UNGO UARL**: UNGO Ukrainian Amateur Radio League (Ukraine)
- **TRGM**: Tertulia Rádioamadorística Guglielmo Marconi (Portugal)
- **ARRLx**: Associação de Rádio-amadores da Região de Lisboa (Portugal)
- **LigaCBR**: Liga Española de Asociaciones CB y Radioaficionados (Spain)

## Amateur Radio News...

### First IARU-EURAO formal meeting: a firm step forward nuevo



Both organizations met in Barcelona on December 2, 2017, with a complete agenda of the whole day to discuss areas of common interest. Almost all subjects were addressed, although with different intensity.

Special attention was focused on topics that involve **CEPT**, where both are observers, agreeing some actions for the coming months.

In the picture: YO9RIJ, G3BJ, EI3IO and EA3CIW at the meeting facilities **FEDI-EA** provided.

### ARR in GAUDEAMUS 2017: "Pages in the History of the Radio" nuevo



This was the motto of the exhibition our member association **ARR** presented in its booth of the last **GAUDEAMUS International Book and Education Fair 2017**, that took place between November 22-26, organized by **Radio Romania**.

Lots of visitors and curious of all ages, but also old friends, went there to see what's going on.

An excellent opportunity to show the public what amateur radio is and how fun it can be. See you next year!

### Image archive



**FEDI-EA** at HAM RADIO 2017.

### EURAO projects ongoing

- [EuroBureauQSL: the EURAO's QSL Bureaus Global Network](#)
- [EURAO TV Channel](#)
- [European Radio Amateur Card](#)
- [Member Benefits Program](#)
- [EURAO Newsletter](#)
- [EURAO Awards](#)
- [EURAO Parties](#)
- [EECE: EmerComms](#)

**Time to renew EURAO membership**

## EURAO Party - Autumn 2017: FT8, a brand new mode

The **European Radio Amateurs' Organization** announces a new party on the air, this time with the motto: "*FT8, a brand new mode*". Remember this is not a contest, it is just a radio meeting with a few simple 'rules', better to call them recommendations.

**Purpose:** to spread FT8 (Franke-Taylor design, 8-FSK modulation), a new mode just launched last summer, designed for situations like multi-hop Es where signals may be weak and fading, openings may be short, and you want fast completion of reliable, confirmable QSOs. It is included in [WSJT-X Version 1.8.0](#) program.

**Date & time:** December 16th and 17th, 2017, Saturday and Sunday, 00:00-24:00 UTC.

**Bands & modes:** these are the recommended frequencies (+/-) for FT8: 1.840, 3.573, 7.074, 10.136, 14.074, 18.100, 21.074, 24.915, 28.074, 50.313 and 70.100 MHz.

**Call:** "CQ EURAO Party".

**Exchange:** because this is a QSO event, not a contest, you can talk about whatever you want, in any language, and for as long as you like. Here are some topic suggestions to get the conversation going: name, city, locator, weather, antennas, rigs, etc. **callsign, locator and signal report, the only data that FT8 allows to exchange.**

Also talk about QSL interchange. Tell the truth. Say "no, thanks" if you are not interested in QSL cards. But if you would like to have a memory of your contact, feel free to use our **EuroBureauQSL** (see below).

**Logs:** for statistic purposes only, we ask participants to submit their logs to [party@eurao.org](mailto:party@eurao.org) in ADIF format, where the filename should be your callsign (e.g. EA3RKF.ADI).

There will be no results or league tables, only statistical information about number of QSOs, countries, callsigns, OMs/YLs/Clubs, etc.

**Certificate of Participation:** for those sending the log and with a minimum of 10% QSOs confirmed.

**EuroBureauQSL:** you can use it to interchange QSLs even if you are not member. In this case, just send the QSL to the entry point in the country of the station you have contacted.

**More than 42.000 QSL cards !!!  
have been already managed by EuroBureauQSL**

## Amateur Radio News... (cont.)

### [Radio Clubs of the World Sprint Contest 2017: final results](#) nuevo



The so-called **EANET Sprint Contest**, for short, was held last **November 5** for the seventh time. The lack of propagation did not discourage the participants, who increased slightly in number.

In *radio club* category the winners have been: **EA1RCM**, **EA1RKS** and **EA3RKM**; and in the *radio amateur* category: **EA7YV**, **EA4RY** and **IK1GPG**.

All of them will receive the deserved prizes before Christmas. Congratulations and hope to hear you next year!



## EURAO Newsletter: issue dates

- 15 February
- 15 June
- 15 September
- 1 December

## Image archive



## International QSL Service.

### EuroBureauQSL: entry points

- **Algeria:** 7X2JV - Noury B.M. - P.O. Box 87 - Bouarfa 09019 Blida
- **Belgium:** FRA - P.O. Box 393 - B-1000 Brussels 1
- **Chile:** CE3FED - FEDERACHI - P.O. Box 9570 - Santiago 21
- **Costa Rica:** TI2WMP - Waldyn Murillo Pérez - P.O. Box 117-1450 - 10601 San José
- **France:** F8URC - URC - 3 rue Saint Lugle - F-62190 Lillers
- **Greece:** HAG - 22, Kassandras Str. - GR-10447 Votanikos - Athens (Attika)
- **India:** VU2BK - MHRC - Brahma Kumaris, Shantivan Campus - Dist. Sirohi, 307510 Rajasthan
- **Italy:** IW2ETR - Paolo Fiorelli - Via Monsignor Danieli, 34 - 23017 Morbegno, SO
- **Portugal:** CT1TGM - TRGM - P.O. Box 497 - P-3001-906 Coimbra
- **Romania:** YO9KYO - ARR - Str. Stelica Berechet, 23 - RO-087070 Comuna Daia, Judetul Giurgiu
- **Spain and Andorra:** EA3RKF - FEDI-EA - P.O. Box 3050 - E-08200 Sabadell (Barcelona)
- **Ukraine:** UNGO-UARL - P.O. Box 33 - 01001 Kyiv
- **Uruguay:** CX3CCC - Radiogrupo Sur - P.O. Box 950 - 11000 Montevideo
- **USA:** W2EN - Douglas Rue - 21 Jeffrey Court - Somerville, NJ 08876
- **Venezuela:** YV4VV - Radio Club Valencia - P.O. Box 510 - 2001 Valencia, CA



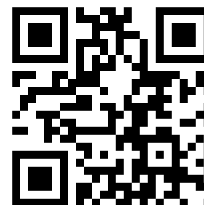
## News in brief

- **100 years of the WW1 armistice:** November 2017-November 2018, partnership between schools and radio clubs from 60 countries. <http://www.news.urb.asso.fr>
- **YP2XMAS, YP3XMAS, YP4XMAS, YP5XMAS, YP6XMAS, YP7XMAS, YP8XMAS, YP9XMAS and YP0XMAS:** will be on air during December 2017, helping Santa from Romania. Event and Award sponsored by **ARR**. More info on: <http://www.qrz.com>
- **EuroBureauQSL live in Italy:** December 16, 2017, at Electronics and Amateur Radio Fair in Santa Lucia di Piave (TV), the Manager **IW2ETR** will be ready at **MDXC** stand. Contact him before. <https://eurobureauqsl-it.jimdo.com>



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