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European Radio Amateurs' Organization: what is this and why?



EURAO was born in 2005 with the aim of being a meeting point for all those independent radio amateurs' associations around the world, mainly from Europe, interested in: sharing their activities and experiences, making up common services, working together in new projects and, of course, lobbying Public Administrations.

So far **EURAO** has become a member of the **International Telecommunication Union (ITU)**, an observer in the **European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations (CEPT)**, it has also achieved the *special consultative status* as NGO at the **United Nations (UN)**, and, since the beginning, appears in the **Transparency Register** of the **European Union (EU)**.

EURAO is present in more than 70 countries on 6 continents. Also individual members (natural persons) from any country are welcome. In fact, they are for whom this project makes sense.

The legal form adopted for **EURAO** is: *international federation of associations*, allowing more than one association per country. In 2014 it settled its headquarter in France.

As usual, daily management is carried out by a **Board of Directors** elected by the **General Assembly** in accordance with its own **Statutes**.

This leaflet is trying to explain the benefits you will get becoming member of **EURAO**. Join us or feel free to ask us any doubt you may have.



EURAO is stakeholder of:



United Nations
Department of Economic and Social Affairs



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Milestones in the history of EURAO

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Despite being so young, the **European Radio Amateurs' Organization** already has a history behind that could be summarized as follows:

- **2005:** F5RCS, Vincent, proposed the idea of creating an European association of radio amateurs for those (>60%) out of the only one existing internationally then;
- **2009:** a **Promoters Committee** was created by the first member associations;
- **2010:** starting **EuroBureauQSL** like a coordinated network of bureaus members run;
- **2011:** first face to face **Meeting**, in Barcelona (Spain);
- **2012:** official presentation at **HAM RADIO** exhibition, Friedrichshafen (Germany);
- **2013:** the first **Statutes** were approved and a **Board of Directors** elected;
- **2014:** headquarter settled in France, becoming registered/declared association under the French law of 1st July 1901;
- **2015:** agreement (LoU) signed with **CEPT/ECC**;
- **2016:** participation in several CEPT/ECC meetings;
- **2017:** configure the **EURAO Boulevard** at **HAM RADIO** exhibition;
- **2017:** first formal meeting with **IARU Region 1**;
- **2018:** **ECOSOC** of the **United Nations** endorsed *special consultative status*;
- **2019:** admitted as a Radiocommunications Sector member of **ITU**;
- **2020:** launch of a new global service: the **Radio Amateur Insurance**;
- **2023:** participation in the Dubai **World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-23)** of **ITU**;
- ...

Come to be part of the history, share with us the next steps...

EuroBureauQSL: the EURAO's QSL Bureaus Global Network

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The **European Radio Amateurs' Organization**, and its members, concerned about the growing problem of QSL cards not delivered to the addressees by some IARU member-societies, launched their own **QSL Bureaus Network** with the strong commitment to make available, whenever possible, to all radio amateurs their QSLs at no extra cost other than shipping and handling, without any kind of restriction.

You can check on its website the current **EBQ** entry points in different countries.

EURAO member associations

- **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)
- **FeRaCat:** Federació de Radioaficionats de Catalunya (Spain)
- **RCL:** Radioamador Clube de Loulé (Portugal)
- **ARRLx:** Associação de Radioamadores da Região de Lisboa (Portugal)
- **LigaCBR:** Liga Española de Asociaciones CB y Radioaficionados (Spain)
- **RFDX:** Romeo Foxtrot International DX Club (The Netherlands)
- **NRSI:** National Radio Society of Ireland
- **773RG:** 773 Radio Group (Italy)
- **AOT:** Associazione Onda Telematica (Italy)
- **ARLC:** Associação de Radioamadores da Linha de Cascais (Portugal)
- **ARS:** Asociația Radioștiintă (Romania)



European Radio Amateurs' Organization
open to the world wide amateur radio community

EURAO Individual Membership: What else?

Becoming *individual member* of **EURAO** costs only **10 EUR**/year and in return you will get:

- a **Welcome Pack** with:
 - a **Welcome letter** signed by the President and/or Secretary-General
 - your **European Radio Amateur Card**, plastified with your picture and data
 - a **Presentation leaflet**
- a quarterly **Newsletter** sent home (four times a year)
- with also your received **QSLs** (if any, up to 20 gr)
- the right to full use **International QSL Service** extra options at special prices
- access to the **EURAO Member Benefits Program**
- a **Radio Amateur Insurance** with a guarantee of EUR 9.000.000 for the civil liability of our activities (*)
- opportunity to participate in the fate of the Organization and European amateur radio
- ...

And the honor of being part of the first radio amateurs' federation across Europe borders.

Payment can be done to **PayPal** account: **eurao@eurao.org**, by credit card, bank transfer or direct debit. Enroll [here](#).

EURAO Association Membership: the pride of making the future

Associations are the cornerstones of **EURAO**. They have the responsibility but also the great privilege of being pioneers in this collaborative project, building up this Organization.

From small radio clubs to large national associations, everyone can belong to this fantastic community, designing and participating in new projects.

For an annual fee of **150 EUR**, *member associations* will get access to common benefits and shared services for all their members, such as: **EuroBureauQSL**, **Newsletter**, etc.

Member associations are the only ones with right of vote and advertising.

Ready to join? Fill and sign the **Joining Application**  and send it to: **eurao@eurao.org**.

EURAO 'Clubs&Groups' Membership: the most suitable solution

Local radio clubs and specialized ham groups around the world are so important to **EURAO** that it was considered they also must be taken into account and with special conditions.

For this reason, a new membership category is defined: '**Clubs&Groups**'. The idea is to help them to provide to ALL their members, through the club, a wide range of collective services, such as these:



- **International QSL Service** (*)
- **European Radio Amateur Card**
- **EURAO Member Benefits Program**
- **EURAO Newsletter**
- **Representation** before international institutions
- ...

Sounds interesting, doesn't it? Contact us for [more details](#). You will not regret!

This is our proposal of fee depending on your own "size":

Size	XS	S	M	L	XL
Number of members	1	3-25	20-45	35-85	>100
QSL weight per quarter	20gr	20gr	50gr	100gr	any
Annual fee	10 €	30 €	40 €	50 €	150 €
Radio Amateur Insurances	1	5	5	5	5
Extra insurances (EUR/each)	10	6	6	6	5

Notice that **XS** corresponds to *individual membership* and **XL** to *member associations*, which also have other rights: to vote, to appear in the list of members, etc.

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The European Radio Amateur Card

EURAO Newsletter: issue dates

- February
- June
- September
- December



EURAO Newsletter, quarterly and in two formats: **pdf** and **web**.

International QSL Service: prices

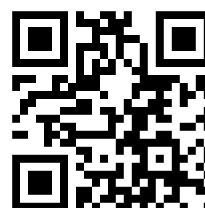
- Sending:
 - 0,50 €/QSL (*)
- Receiving (**):
 - 1,50 € (\$2) 20 gr.
 - 2,00 € (\$2.75) 50 gr.
 - 3,00 € (\$4) 100 gr.

(*) 50% off with label+web, free exchange between members.
(**) extra shipping or overweight.



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[EURAO in the Transparency Register of European Union](#)

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Lobbying is "a necessary and legitimate task of interaction with public institutions, healthy for the quality of democracy, for their capacity to deliver adequate policies, matching needs and reality" according to the Transparency Register of European Union whose Code of Conduct **EURAO** agrees and defends. [See more details](#).

