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Society	HRS	Country:	Croatia
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Dear members of IARU Region 1

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We wish to organize General Conference in Croatia, at the Adriatic coast in picturesque town Cavtat near Dubrovnik

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Croatian Amateur Radio Association HRS and President of HRS have enough experience to organize international meetings, such as General conference. We organized IARU Region 1 ARDF championship with big success and many international workshops. HRS organized in April 2005 Preparatory Central European IARU R1 meeting. We have support from Croatian Ministry of school, Ministry of telecommunication, Croatian National Tourist Board and local authorities.

Croatian Amateur Radio Association HRS declares that we can and will meet the technical and organizational logistic requirements.

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SUBJECT: Cavtat (Croatia) Candidate for the Region 1 IARU General Conference

SOCIETY: Croatian Amateur Radio Association HRS

Committee: C 3

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General information:

Country:	Croatia
Town:	Cavtat (Dubrovnik area)
Hotel	Hotel CROATIA, Cavtat - meeting rooms and accommodation
Location	Situated in Cavtat Bay, part of the world famous Dubrovnik Riviera.
Traffic connections	By car or bus: 5 min to the Dubrovnik international airport, 20 min to the bus terminal, 25 min to the harbor Dubrovnik, 20 min to the Old Town.
Capacity	480 rooms, 1.080 beds; 7 suites
Restaurants	Main restaurant, National restaurant, Tavern, Restaurants on the beaches, Snack-bar on the pool, Coffee Shop
Parking	Parking lot by the hotel
Foreign languages	Front-desk staff fluent in major world languages, other personnel able to use them.
Sports and leisure	Water sports, two tennis courts, table tennis, darts, indoor, outdoor and children's swimming-pools, gym, sauna, massage, snooker.
Entertainment	Piano bar, discotheque, occasional folk and other shows, a rocky beach on the southern side and a man-made one (concrete and pebbles) in the Bay towards Cavtat place.
Credit cards	Visa, Diners, American express
Other hotel facilities	Exhibition areas

Croatian Amateur Radio Association **Hrvatski radioamaterski savez HRS**

Croatian Amateur Radio Association HRS was established in 1949 and operated within the Yugoslav Association of Radio Amateurs as a voluntary and active member until December 1991, when it withdrew from membership. In February 1992 HRS began the procedure for admission into the International Amateur Radio Union and was admitted into full membership in December 1992. When Croatia became a member of United Nation and the International Telecommunications Union, Croatian radio amateurs obtained new call signs – 9A, which began to be used on 1992. Root of HRS is Radio club Zagreb and Radio club Vinkovci both organized 1924, and last year we had celebration of 80 years of radio amateurs in Croatia. In 2004 we have after many years increase number of members. Very good cooperation with Agency for telecommunication and Ministry of telecommunication results benefit in radio amateur's law. From January 2004 we have 200 kHz on 40m band, 70 MHz band, 137 KHz band and all other IARU bands.

Croatian Amateur Radio Association HRS unites more than 2,100 members (of total 4,000) organized in 92 radio clubs. In end of 2004 there were more than 2,100 operators (members of HRS) of varying age and profession, among them 240 disabled persons (the blind, paraplegics, etc.) and over 300 old-timers (operators with at least 25 years' experience).

Croatian Amateur Radio Association HRS is a registered organization operating in the field of technical culture and functioning in accordance with its statute. Managing bodies typical in such organizations direct its activities. About 30% of the Association's budget is contributed by its members in the form of a full membership fee/operator license fee, which currently amounts 20 Euro per year. Other 70% of budget is contribute by Ministry of school and sponsors.

Croatian Amateur Radio Association HRS also issues its official journal Radio HRS in 1.500 copies (6 numbers in year). Its contents are, adapted to suit the interests of members: internal news, operator techniques and DX information, HF and VHF/UHF/SHF contests, amateur radio direction finding, techniques and design, ham exchange, and all what our radio amateurs need. We have very popular WEB page: www.hamradio.hr and we have e-mail address as call@hamradio.hr.

Croatian radio amateurs are very active and have a best results in international competitions and we will certainly do our best at major contests to improve our standings on the top lists. The best contest Radio club is **Croatian DX club, 9A1A**, but there are also many very good contest teams such as 9A5Y, 9A7A, 9A3B, 9A1P, etc. In many HF and VHF contest we have many world champions, even in multi-multi category (9A1A in WPX, ARRL and WW contests).

The Croatian packet radio network operates through whole country and we have BBS and DX clusters. Most are home made (broad - band stations, up to 1.2288 Mbps, operating on 2m, 70 cm, 23 cm, 13 cm and 9 cm). We have 2m and 70cm repeater network in all main mountains and whole Croatia is covered with repeaters signal. HRS has very good organized QSL Bureau with traffic about 1000kg of QSL cards per year.

Croatia

Croatia is a Central European and Mediterranean country, bordering Slovenia in the west, Hungary in the north and Serbia in the east and Bosnia and Herzegovina in the south. Croatia also has a long maritime border with Italy in the Adriatic Sea. These borders total 2,028 km altogether. Croatia has a strange shape (similar to a croissant) - similar to no other country in the world - that comes as a result of five centuries of expansion by the Ottoman (Turkish) empire towards Central Europe (although Croatia was never conquered by the Turks).

Croatia covers a land area of 56,691 square kilometers and has a population of about 4.4 million people (2001 census). Over 90% of the population is Croat (the majority of whom are Roman Catholics), but there are also Serbian, Bosnian, Hungarian and Italian minorities. The main population centers are Zagreb, the capital (with a population of just under 800,000), Osijek in the northwest, and the ports of Rijeka, and Split in the south. The official language is Croatian, which is written in the Latin script.

Croatia has an amazing 5,835km of coastline, 4,057km of which belongs to islands, cliffs and reefs. There are 1,185 islands in the Adriatic, but only about 50 are populated. The largest island is Krk (near Rijeka), which has a land area of 462 square km.

The climate is Mediterranean along the Adriatic coast, meaning warm dry summers and mild winters, with 2,600 hours of sunlight on average yearly - it is one of the sunniest coastlines in Europe! In the interior of the country, the climate is continental with hot summers and cold, snowy winters.

Croatia is on a first place in the world on Lonely planet's top destinations search for season 2005.

As Lonely Planet said: Croatia soared to the top of this year's poll after a fourth-place finish last year. Croatia's appeal was its unique combination of culture, history, cuisine, accessibility and affordability. As one staffer wrote, "This is Croatia's year. It appeals to a wide range of travellers with its rich diversity of attractions. And it has not yet been over-touristed, but it has developed an excellent tourism infrastructure -- so that it suits both adventurous travellers and those who need a degree of comfort in their planning." Another staffer wrote, "Croatia's combination of easy accessibility (it's within driving distance of a large chunk of Europe), relative affordability (especially compared to the beach countries like Spain and Italy), and high quality will mean that it will be a 'hot' destination again this year." Other staffers lauded its "stunning beaches and islands," "magnificent food" and "wonderfully preserved towns such as Dubrovnik." Congratulations, Croatia!

Cavtat

A unique town on the Adriatic, an old city situated on the hilly part of the wooded peninsula Rat. There are new settlements along the coast, and the whole of Cavtat is overgrown by Mediterranean vegetation, with the evergreen pine and cypress trees. There are more than 5 miles (7 km) of sandbanks, clean sea water, sand beaches and bays, fine new hotels of high and luxury class, and all this has made Cavtat one of the most sought after and visited tourist resorts in the Dubrovnik area. The special charm of this old city is the buildings that have remained from the time of the old Dubrovnik Republic.

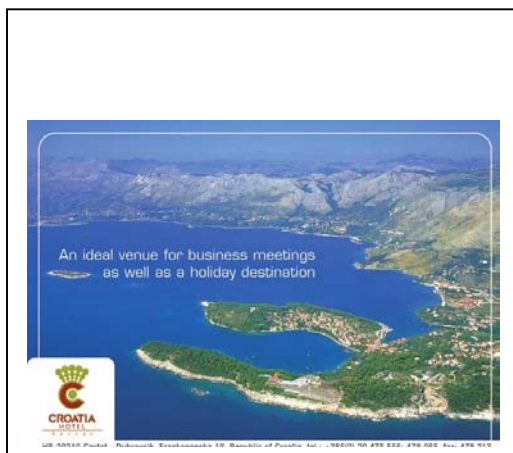
This city was also built according to the regulation plans prescribed by the Republic, and the result was the present-day look of the old part of Cavtat. A larger part of the monuments of history and culture belong to the fine but modest Renaissance architecture with some traces of the Gothic style: the Rector's palace, fortifications, city walls round the city, squares, St. Nicholas' church, the church dedicated to Our Lady of Cavtat and the Franciscan monastery.

Climate

The geographical position of the area is typical of the classic Mediterranean or 'estasian' climate with mild and damp winters, and hot dry summers at quite low air humidity (approx. 2.600 sunny hours). The annual average of rainfall is 1.250 mm. The average air temperature is 17°C and the summer sea temperature is 21°C approx. A maximum variation of 4°C is very beneficial to the nervous system and general health. There are many sunny days during the winter months. The gentle Maestral - the messenger of lovely weather, refreshes the average summer temperature of 25°C, whereas during the cooler months, the Bura and Jugo winds prevail.



HOTEL CROATIA, CAVTAT



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the Šipun cave etc. Cavtat also offers a 7 km promenade by pine forests paths only a few meters from the sea. Cavtat is one of the rare places on the Croatian coast that can offer such harmony.

THE CROATIA HOTEL lies in a beautiful position on a peninsula overlooking the Adriatic on one side and the picturesque old City of Cavtat on the other. The world famous medieval walled City Dubrovnik can be seen from some hotel terraces.

This five star comfortable hotel with air-conditioned premises, spacious rooms, facilities for business and meetings but also holidays.

THE CROATIA HOTEL has 11 floors with total of 480 rooms and 7 suites. Every room in the Croatia Hotel has a balcony with furniture, full size bath with hairdryer, satellite TV, radio, air conditioning, bathrobe, safe deposit box, mini-bar and direct-dial telephone; no-smoking rooms are available. 302 of the rooms are twin rooms with extra bed and a sea view, 180 are twin rooms with bay view and park view. 5 suites are standard consisting of one bedroom, lounge, full-size bath, large terrace and sea view or bay view, and 2 are presidential suites, one consisting of 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, the other consisting of 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, both suites with large lounge and large terrace with sea view.

THE CROATIA HOTEL has two large restaurants: Cavtat (for 800 people) where guests will enjoy a rich buffet-style breakfast and a regular evening meal, plus a gala dinner once a week Konavle Restaurant (for 200 people), two beach restaurants, the Tavern Dubrovnik (85 people), Lido snack-bar (in the swimming pool area), a coffee shop, a piano bar and an aperitif bar; room service; no-smoking sections in restaurants.



Two tennis courts, table tennis, a modern equipped gymnasium, darts, billiards, beach volley-ball, French balls, target shooting (rifle and archery), massage, indoor and outdoor swimming pools and a children's pool, all with sea water, two beaches, walking and jogging paths near the shoreline and sun terraces, sun chairs and umbrellas at the swimming pool and beach Cavtat; water sports are available locally.

OTHER SERVICES: airport transfers, shopping center, hairdresser, beauty salon, children's playground, children's club, baby cots, baby chairs in restaurants, car parking spaces, safe deposit boxes.

Hotel Croatia and Cavtat has all possibilities for different religions. As Croatia is multi religion country, all main religion can make different religious events (Muslims, Orthodox, Jewish, Catholic). It is possible to offer for delegations different meals or meals at different times.

The Croatia Hotel's conferences and seminars can be arranged in one of six conference rooms (30-800 people), four smaller meeting rooms (10-15 people), an exhibitions area of 300 sq m and salons and terraces for receptions and cocktails.

Hotel Croatia Cavtat Conference equipment:

Congress hall Ragusa	550 - 800 persons
Congress Hall Bobara	200 persons
Salon Orlando	150 persons
Conference hall Libertas	60 persons
Salon Šipun	60 persons
For AC working groups	5 salons for about 25 persons
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Congress hall Ragusa

Floor Area in m2	Conference Theatre	Conference Classroom	Cocktail	Banquet
635	700-800	550	800-1000	450-500



Ground Plan



Estimate prices:

1. PERIOD OF STAY / ACCOMODATION CAPACITY / ROOM RESERVATION PROCEDURE

- Arrival: 1st October 2008 (earlier arrivals possible)
- Working days: from 2nd till 4th October
- Departure: 5th October (later departures possible)

1.1. Accommodation could be arranged in 250 rooms according to following details:

- 150 sea view rooms (75 double and 75 double 'solo use')
- 100 park view rooms (50 double and 50 double 'solo use')

1.2. Participants will make their reservations directly through Hotel by using Hotel Reservation Form which will be compiled especially for this conference and the organiser will be responsible to make it available through conference web site.

Please find enclosed a copy of such a Form.

The organiser is responsible to provide hotel with the list of Organising Committee and eventually the guests of the congress who will not be making their reservations directly through the Hotel.

2. ACCOMODATION PRICE:

This is preliminary price and final price will be fixed by 31.03.2006
Per person, per day in EUR (bed & breakfast included):

	Sea view	Park view
- In double room	75,00	65,00
- In double room solo use	145,00	125,00

Tourist tax: is not included in price; and it will be fixed during 2007 (for your information, in 2005 it is EUR 1,00 per person daily).

There are possibilities to accommodate in private chipper apartments in city Cavtat.

3. FOOD AND BEVERAGE SERVICES:

- Please find options for coffee, cocktail, business lunch, welcome reception and gala dinner attached (for gala dinner we suggest our Restaurant Cavtat (separate section that can accommodate 250 persons) and the prices would be like in 2005).
- By the 2008 the prices would increase ca. 15%, and the final price would be fixed by 31st March 2006.

4. CONFERENCE HALLS:

The overview of conference halls at present time is as following:

4.1. Congress hall Ragusa:

- Congress hall Ragusa can be used for opening ceremony (200-250 persons), final plenary session (200 persons) and for C3 meeting (125 persons)

4.2. Congress hall Bobara:

- Congress hall Bobara can be used for C4 meeting (125 persons)

4.3. Salon Orlando:

- Salon Orlando can be used for C5 meeting (75 persons)

4.4. Congress room Libertas: gratis

- Congress room Libertas can be used for C2 meeting (60 persons)

4.5. Small committees meeting rooms:

a) for 25 persons: Salon 5, Salon 6, Salon 7 i Salon 8

b) for 50 persons: Salon Šipun

4.6. Executive Committee meeting room (20 persons): Salon 4

4.7. Info desks: gratis

By 2008 we expect to have 2 additional congress halls at least.

The price of conference halls includes: arrangement (classroom or theatre style, presidential table, lectern), one flower arrangement in each congress hall, sound system with 2 microphones in Ragusa and Bobara Hall.

4.8. Poster boards – there are ca. 50 poster boards

4.9. Conference equipment:

- Overhead projector (there are 4)
- Slide projector (there are 4)
- LCD projector (there are 4)
- Flip chart (there are 4)
- Plasma monitor 32 inch (1 piece) – in Ragusa Hall
- DVD player (1 piece) – in Ragusa Hall
- CD player (2 pieces) – in Ragusa Hall
- Video top (1 piece)
- Tables and chairs are included in the price of the congress hall, and there are enough for all the halls
- PC-s: enough PC-s with software (Word, Power Point, Excel) and possibility to connect to Internet
- Extra microphones
- Telephones: unlimited number of phone lines and the costs will be charged by according to valid hotel prices; installation of direct phone lines will not be charged
- Internet: access from every room and wireless access in each congress hall and at the lobby

- Photocopying: we have our own machines

5. OTHER CONDITIONS

- Gratis welcome drink for all participants (1 domestic drink per person)
- 2 standard suites will be at your disposal at the same price like the price of the room

6. PAYING

- Participants will pay for accommodation directly at the hotel on departure day and the deposit (EUR 150,00 per person) they should pay in advance when making a reservation for the room
- The organisers IARU and HRS pay for: congress halls, equipment, equipment and all food and beverage arrangements:
 - By 31st March 2008, latest, 30% value of all arranged services should be paid for
 - Next 50% should be paid for 30 days before the beginning of the congress
 - The rest should be paid in the hotel after the conference or after receiving an invoice, the latest 15 days after the date the conference has finished with the credit card guarantee

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Our project to host General conference will cover HRS, many sponsors and volunteer work of Croatian radio amateurs.

Croatian Amateur Radio Association HRS declares that we can and will meet the technical and organizational logistic requirements listed in Annex A.

Best regards,

Croatian Amateur Radio Association

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HOTEL RESERVATION FORM

IARU REGION 1 2008

01ST - 05TH OCTOBER 2008, HOTEL CROATIA, CAVTAT-DUBROVNIK, CROATIA

SURNAME:				TITLE:	
FIRST NAME:		INITIALS:		MALE/ FEMALE:	
AFFILIATION:					
MAILING ADDRESS:					
POSTAL CODE:		CITY:		COUNTRY:	
PHONE:		FAX:		E-MAIL:	
ACCOMPANYING PERSON (s):	SURNAME:			FIRST NAME:	

SPECIAL RATES FOR PARTICIPANTS AND ACCOMPANYING PERSONS ARE: in DM per person per day (breakfast included)

HOTEL CROATIA

	SEA VIEW		PARK VIEW	
IN DOUBLE ROOM				
IN DOUBLE ROOM 'SOLO USE'				

CITY TAX IS NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE: PER PERSON PER DAY

PLEASE MARK WITH 'X' YOUR ROOM CHOICE WITH RATE

FOR PRE/POST STAY HOTEL WILL CHARGE SAME SPECIAL CONFERENCE RATE

ARRIVAL / DEPARTURE

DATE OF ARRIVAL:		FLIGHT NUMBER:		TIME:	
DATE OF DEPARTURE:		FLIGHT NUMBER:		TIME:	
REMARKS:					

CONFIRMATION:

- DEAD LINE FOR HOTEL RESERVATION IS 15TH AUGUST 2008; AFTER THIS DATE RESERVATION WILL BE ACCEPTED
- ON A ROOMS-AVAILABLE BASIS ONLY BUT AT THE SAME (ABOVE MENTIONED) RATES
- A GUARANTEE VIA CREDIT CARD OR DEPOSIT OF EUR..... PER PERSON IS REQUIRED
- NO ROOM CAN BE CONFIRMED UNTIL HOTEL RECEIVES DEPOSIT OR CREDIT CARD INFORMATION

METHOD OF PAYMENT:

A) GUARANTEED BY CREDIT CARD: AMEX ☐ DINERS ☒ MASTER ☐ VISA ☐

NAME ON CARD:	
CREDIT CARD NUMBER:	
EXPIRATION DATE:	
SIGNATURE:	

B) BANK TRANSFER

BANK DETAILS: PRIVREDNA BANKA ZAGREB (RACKOGA 6, 10000 ZAGREB, CROATIA)

ACCOUNT NAME: HOTELI CROATIA D.D. CAVTAT

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 70010 - 978 - 134087

SWIFT: PBZGHR2X

WITH THE FOLLOWING REMARK: IARU 2008 - HOTEL CROATIA CAVTAT

NET PAYMENT SHOULD BE DONE IN EUR AND PARTICIPANT'S NAME MUST BE CLEARLY SPECIFIED.

RETURN THIS FORM TO:

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