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Considering

Financial support by national and international organizations for Amateur Radio is an area where IARU has not been too active. In practice it means the loss of possible sources for the future building of our hobby. Radio amateurs are known as pioneers of radio technology, as skilled users of radios, as persons who know how to build up a contact in difficult circumstances etc. Today we also are better prepared for emergency communications both on national and international levels. Radio amateur is always been a person who has proved by a test his skills and knowledge to authorities for getting a license to use radio transmitters. There are very many reasons why the financial support for our hobby by national and international organizations can be justified.

Resolving

Searching financial support is a long term project. It is realistic to think that first results will occur after 2-3 years work and for being successful a big amount of paperwork must be achieved. Once the basic documents are done it is relatively easy to create modifications for different kind of purposes.

The work of this WG could also produce documents for IARU Societies in their own search for financial support.

I would like to propose IARU Region 1 to nominate a WG for the financial support to

- 1) define together with the EC Amateur Radio activities/projects needing financial support,
- 2) write basic documents for money applying,
- 3) search proper national and international organizations as possible sponsors
- 4) contact possible sponsors
- 5) follow up the handling of our requests for financial support and actively take part into decision making process (if possible),
- 6) learn, estimate and write documents of the request processes (pro's and con's)

The WG should be small – maximum four persons – chaired by the person who has a background as a high level international actor. Also members should have same kind of experience.

The WG will be nominated for three years.

Terms of Reference

The WG for the search of financial support should start January 2009 with one full day meeting with at least a couple of Region 1 EC members (e.g. President + 1). A second meeting should be 2-3 months later where basic documents and possible sponsoring organizations are chosen, follow up responsibilities are decided between WG members etc. WG members must have an opportunity by the acceptance of the Region 1 President e.g. to travel for the meeting with sponsor organization.