



**International Amateur Radio Union Region 1
Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs**



**World ARDF
Championships
Albena, Bulgaria, 2016**

September 3 - 9

Bulletin No 1

Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs (BFRA) is pleased to invite ARDF teams, individual competitors and visitors as well as guests from all over the world to the 18th World ARDF Championships that are to be held in Bulgaria in September 2016 (several pre-events are scheduled for the week before the Championships – see below).

Bulgaria and more specifically the Bulgarian seaside has been the host of numerous important international ARDF competitions and we, as organizers, have always done our best so that both competitors and guests leave our country with nothing but good memories. For the 2016 World Championship we have chosen new areas, where, until this moment, ARDF competitions haven't taken place.

We will make sure that the World Championship will be lead accordingly on the highest technological level and with excellence in what concerns attending to the participants' needs and questions that they might have.

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Venue:

The venue of the Championship will be Albena, near the city of Varna.

More detailed information about Albena can be found here:

<http://albena.bg/en/pages/about-albena.html>

Event center:

The accommodations will be the hotels Orchidea *** and Orchidea Park *** that are situated near the park in the hotel complex and 800 m away from the beach.

The stay in the hotels is all-inclusive basis, which means accommodation, three meals per day, free drinks (such as coffee, tea, beer, wine and other alcoholic beverages made in Bulgaria) from the hours of 07:30 until 23:00.

There is an open summer theatre within the hotel complex where the awarding ceremonies will take place.

Transportation to the venue:

Some of the teams travel, as tradition, with their own vehicles. The rest may select their final destination amongst Varna International Airport, Burgas International Airport, or the relevant Railway Station in these towns. Sofia International Airport is located relatively away from the venue (510 km) but the organisers will provide transfers to the venue and back **upon request**.

The prices of the transfers will be published In the next Bulletin These prices will depend on the number of people traveling as well as the place they are traveling from to reach the venue (meaning: are they coming from Sofia, Varna or Burgas)

Competitions:

Classic courses on both bands (2-band system), sprint and foxoring

During the competition SPORTIDENT system will be used. The software will be provided by the leader in that field Karl-Heinz Schade - DL7VDB <http://www.ardf-fjww.com> .

The organizers will provide GPS tracking on strongest competitors in the categories M19, W19, M21, W21.

Example for GPS tracking of ARDF competition can be seen from this year's international competitions in Primorsko in the following links:

FOXORING:

<http://tracksport.eu/map/map.html?id=954242512>

3.5 MHz CLASIC COMPETITION:

<http://tracksport.eu/map/map.html?id=954242513>

We will provide and LIVE RESULTS for all categories using long range radio controls.



Categories:

According to the Rules: W19, M19, W21, M21, W35, M40, W50, M50, W60, M60, and M70,

Schedule:

August 29 – September 03, 2016 - previously competition - ARDF WORD CUP 2016.

The competition will be prior to the World Championship (like in 2012 in Kopaonik, Serbia)

During the ARDF WORLD CUP 2016 four independent competitions will take place: Classic 3.5 MHZ, Classic 144 MHZ, foxoring and sprint.

The first three competitors in each category will be awarded with medals. All competitors will get a certificate.

The competitions will be held in four areas, different from the ones chosen for the World Championships. More detailed program for the ARDF WORLD CUP will be provided in the next bulletins.

September 03 – 09 18th ARDF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Saturday, September 03, 2016 — arrival, training (sprint + foxoring)

Sunday, September 04, 2016 — foxoring

Monday, September 05, 2016 — sprint, training (classics)

Tuesday, September 06, 2016 — first classic

Wednesday, September 07, 2016 — excursion

Thursday, September 08, 2016 — second classic, hamfest

Friday, September 09, 2016 — departure

Fees:

FOR ARDF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP:

Starting fees (including transportation to the start and from the finish, maps, hamfest):

50 EUR per competition - 200 EUR per whole event.

Accreditation fee for non-competitors (team officials, media etc.), including transportation to the start and from the finish, maps, hamfest

50 EUR per person for the entire duration of the competition.

Transport fee for guest:

5 EUR per competition

Accommodation for competitors, officials, guests:

Price on double accommodation base on all-inclusive (accommodation, three meals, drinks (tea, cafe, juices, beer!)

35 EUR per day per person (competitors, officials, media, guests).

210 EUR per whole event on double accommodation.

Single accommodation base on all-inclusive (accommodation, three meals, drinks (tea, cafe, juices, beer!)

50 EUR per day per person (competitors, officials, media, guests).

300 EUR per whole event on single accommodation.

FOR PREVIOUS COMPETITION - ARDF WORLD CUP 2016:

Starting fees (including transportation to the start and from the finish, maps):

10 EUR per competition, 40 EUR per whole event.

Transport fee for guest:

5 EURO per competition

Accommodation for competitors, officials, guests:

Price on double accommodation base on all-inclusive (accommodation, three meals, drinks (tea, cafe, juices, beer!)

35 EUR per day per person (competitors, officials, media, guests).

Single accommodation base on all-inclusive (accommodation, three meals, drinks (tea, cafe, juices, beer!)

50 EUR per day per person (competitors, officials, media, guests).

Early payment:

Organizers offer 10% discount for pre-payment until June 15, 2016 as follows:

FOR ARDF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS:

Starting fees (including transportation to the start and from the finish, maps, hamfest):

45 EUR per competition, 180 EUR per whole event.

Accreditation fee for non-competitors (team officials, media etc.), including transportation to the start and from the finish, maps, hamfest

45 EUR per person for all time of competition.

Accommodation for competitors, officials, guests:

Price on double accommodation base on all-inclusive (accommodation, three meals, drinks (tea, cafe, juices, beer!)

31.5 EUR per day per person (competitors, officials, media, guests).

189 EUR per whole event on double accommodation.

Single accommodation base on all-inclusive (accommodation, three meals, drinks (tea, cafe, juices, beer!)

45 EUR per day per person (competitors, officials, media, guests).

270 EUR per whole event on single accommodation.

FOR PREVIOUS COMPETITION - ARDF WORLD CUP 2016:

Starting fees (including transportation to the start and from the finish, maps):

9 EUR per competition - 36 EUR per whole event.

Accommodation for competitors, officials, guests:

Price on double accommodation base on all-inclusive (accommodation, three meals, drinks (tea, cafe, juices, beer!)

31.5 EUR per day per person (competitors, officials, media, guest).

Single accommodation base on all-inclusive (accommodation, three meals, drinks (tea, cafe, juices, beer!)

45 EUR per day per person (competitors, officials, media, guests).

Deadline for Letter of intent:

February 20, 2016.

Letter of intent (attached as a last page of this Bulletin) should be sent preferably by email.

Weather:

The weather in this period of the year is stable, usually sunny, with daily temperatures (both air and water) 23–25 degrees C, in other words – ideal for vacation and swimming.

Visa requirement:

The citizens of the majority of countries expected to take part in the Championships **do no need visa** to enter Bulgaria. Participants from few countries require visa to enter Bulgaria. BFRA will assist in obtaining **free** entry visas.

Map:

The **maps** (IOF standard) will be reambuluted in 2015/2016.

Embargoed area:

From the moment this Bulletin is published, it is forbidden to train or move around in any forested area in picture below. The allowed exceptions are official orienteering and ARDF events organized by the Bulgarian Orienteering Federation or by the BFRA.

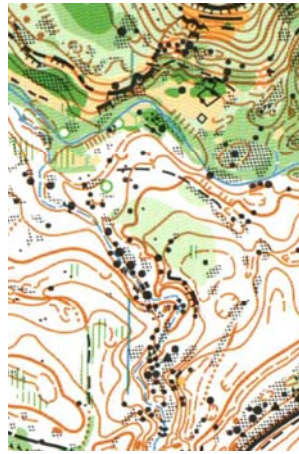


Terrains:

The terrains are located within 50-km range.
The relief is hilly and detailed, terraced and sliding.
In places there are deep ravines and shallow rivers.

Photos of the areas of competition and samples of maps.

Classic :



Sprint:



Foxoring:





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LETTER OF INTENT

We

(name of the society)

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(abbreviation)

hereby express our intention to participate in the 18th World ARDF Championships, September 03–09, 2016, Albena, Varna, Bulgaria.

1. The expected number of team members:

Competitors (according to the rules): persons.

Officials, Visitors, Media etc. (unlimited number): persons.

Total: persons.

2. Previously competition - ARDF WORD CUP 2016 (August 29 - September 03) :

We expect that persons will attend previously competition - ARDF WORLD CUP 2016 preceding the Championships (August 29 – September 03, 2016).

3. Team contact person

Name:

Phone:

E mail:

Deadline for the letter of intent — February 20, 2016.

Please, send the letter of intent by e-mail to: lz3nn@abv.bg



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