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15th ARDF World Championships

1st ARDF World Championships for the blind

13-18 September 2010

Opatija, Croatia

Venue of the Championships

Opatija and Gorski Kotar

Accommodation

The main accommodation will be organised in [Hotel Opatija**](#)

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The HRS staff will be available at the above address, telephone and fax from 12th September.

In case of late application or registering more participants than stated in Letter of intent, accommodation in other hotels will be arranged. Those hotels are HOTEL VILLA AMALIA**, HOTEL RESIDENZ**, HOTEL IMPERIAL***, HOTEL KVARNER*** and HOTEL ISTRA***. Some of these are accommodation during the training prior to the Championships. All hotels are within 500 meters from the main accommodation hotel.

Welcome letter with info about accommodation for their society team will be sent to contact person listed in Official application for the Championships.

Very important information



All IARU Region 1 member societies must have fulfilled all their financial obligations to Region 1 till the end of August 2010. Otherwise they will be allowed to participate in the Championship unofficially only (i.e. not to be ranked and not to be awarded medals).

Marking system

SPORTident system - BSF7 and BSF8 control stations will be used (accepts all SPORTident cards).

HRS will supply enough number **SPORTident chips**, but will be grateful to all competitors that will use their own **chips**.

Terrain and map information for the 15th world ARDF championships

The maps for both competitions are IOF standard, A3 size (297 x 420 mm) – one map in landscape and one in portrait orientation, scale 1:10000, contour interval 5 meters, waterproof. Almost all of the map is terrain (all is usable!).

Terrain is mid-difficult, with small hills, mostly covered with forest.



Competition areas are at height 500 to 1000 meters ASL, there is a big possibility of lower temperatures in competition area than those in Opatija (at sea level), warmer clothes are preferred.



It's mandatory to use official transport to and from competition areas.



On competition start and finish areas any type of shelters other than those provided by the organiser (i.e. team tents) are prohibited.

On the day of the competition, the use of any telecommunication device by competitors or team officials is prohibited until permitted by the organiser. The penalty for this shall be disqualification. If the team official breaks this rule, the whole team shall be disqualified.

Transportation by own bus/car

- Opatija is situated next to port city of Rijeka. Rijeka is connected to the north-east by highway A6 Zagreb-Rijeka. On the north of Rijeka there is a highway to border crossings Rupa (to mainland Slovenia) and Pasjak (with Slovenia, in direction of Italy). To the west Rijeka has a fast motorway through Istra to Italy.
- From Rijeka to Opatija there are traffic signs.
- Hotel Opatija (main accommodation and Championship office) is situated in the middle of the town Opatija, just north of main bus station (bus parking Slatina). Approach is possible from the south side by the road "Maršala Tita", or north side by the road "Nova cesta". Hotel's parking can accommodate private cars.



Hotel Opatija parking is small and cannot accommodate buses. Town Opatija has an organised service and parking places for parking tourist buses. Please visit their web page at: <http://www.opatija-parking.com/index-e.html>



Parking fee for cars at hotel Opatija parking place is 5 EUR per day.

Transportation by regular international and national bus lines

Hotel Opatija (main accommodation and championship office) is situated in the middle of the town Opatija, just north of main bus station. Approach from main bus station is possible.

Transportation from airport or railroad stations

Transportation from airports or railroad station can be arranged. Possible locations and prices for transfer to Opatija can be found in [Bulletin 2](#). If such transportation is needed, please fill [Appendix 4](#) of [Bulletin 2](#) and send it to ardf2010@ardf2010.com.

Program of the Championships

13.09.2010., Monday

08.00 – Arrival of participants, registration at Championship office at Hotel Opatija.

14.00 – Check-in at participant's hotel.

19.00 – 21.00 Dinner. (Hotel Restaurant).

14.09.2010., Tuesday

07.00 – 09.00 Breakfast. (Hotel Restaurant).

09.00 – 13.00 Model Event (Official Training) > Competitors go to training area by buses which will cruise from hotel Opatija to model event grounds and back.

13.00 – 15.00 Lunch. (Hotel Restaurant)

15.00 – 18.00 Competition of the Blinds

15.00 – 16.00 Meeting of the WG (can last longer if needed!) > Hotel Opatija

16.00 - 17.00 Meeting of the International Jury and team leaders (can last longer if needed!) > Hotel Opatija

18.00 - 19.00 Dinner. (Hotel Restaurant)

20.00 – 22.00 Official opening > „Kristalna dvorana“ ("Crystal Ballroom"), Hotel Kvarner, awarding ceremony for the winners of competition for the blinds.

22.00 Cocktail – only for team leaders, VIP & press > „Kristalna dvorana“, Hotel Kvarner

15.09.2010., Wednesday

05.00– 06.00 Breakfast. (Hotel Restaurant)

06.30 Buses leave for the start of first competition

10.00 First start

12.00 – 16.00 Lunch at the finish area

From 13.00 Return to the hotel.

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch for blind competitors (Hotel Restaurant)

Around 16:00 – 16:30 (after the race) Jury meeting at the finish area

18.00 – 19.00 Meeting of the WG (Hotel)

18.00 - 20.00 Dinner. (Hotel Restaurant)

21.00 – 22.30 Awarding Ceremony > on the terrace of the Hotel Opatija

22.30 Party

16.09.2010., Thursday

07.00 – 09.00 Breakfast. (Hotel Restaurant)

09.00 – 17.00 Day off – day trip with lunch

17.00 – 19.00 Meeting of the WG + Meeting of the International Jury and team leaders > Hotel Opatija

19.00 - 21.00 Dinner. (Hotel Restaurant).

17.09.2010., Friday

05.00– 06.00 Breakfast. (Hotel Restaurant)

06.30 Buses leave for the start of second competition

10.00 First start

12.00 – 16.00 Lunch at the finish area

From 13.00 Return to the hotel.

Around 16:00 – 16:30 (after the race) Jury meeting at the finish area

18.00 – 19.00 Meeting of the WG

19.00 Awarding Ceremony > on the terrace of the Hotel Opatija

21.00 Gala Dinner + Closing Ceremony > „Kristalna dvorana“, Hotel Kvarner

23.00 - Farewell Party > „Kristalna dvorana“, Hotel Kvarner

18.09.2010., Saturday

07.00 – 09.00 Breakfast. (Hotel Restaurant)

09.00 – Departure (Hotel check-out by 12.00)

If not otherwise noted, Hotel is the hotel where participants stay during the Championships. From hotel Opatija there is a short walk to hotel Kvarner for opening and closing ceremonies.

Training prior the Championships

A training camp will be organized during the week prior the Championships with trainings on both bands. Training dates are **8 / 9 September** and **11 / 12 September**. There are total of 4 trainings (2 + 2) with day off on 10th of September (Friday). 3.5 MHz trainings will be organised on 8th and 11th of September, while 144 MHz trainings on 9th and 12th.

If you're interested in trainings, please ask for additional informations on ardf2010@ardf2010.com. Official application for trainings must be done till 22nd of August by [sending application](#) (XLS document available at ardf2010.com webpage) to ardf2010@ardf2010.com

Basic trainings costs are **7 Euro** per person per training, without accommodation and transportation to/from training areas. Organised transfer from Opatija to training grounds and back cost **125 kuna** (around 18 euro).

Please note that due to various variables (number of maps, reservations for transportation to/from the training etc.), number of possible competitors for trainings will be restricted after 22nd of August. Please, register before 22nd of August.

For accomodation prices during the training week, please check [Bulletin 2](#). Airtours can provide you the answers regarding other accommodation facilities for the training before the Championships. Please contact Atlas Airtours: duska@adriatica.net and igor.auferber@atlasairtours.com

Hotels for training week: [Kvarner & Villa Amalia](#); [Istra](#).