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Recommendations by the last Varna General Conference were introduced into the IARU Region 1 band plan and the HF Manager Handbook Version 8.1.

Since in the preparation process of WRC-15 IARU Region 1 was going to propose as new agenda item for WRC-19 to CEPT, the allocation of the band 1800 kHz to 2000 kHz to the amateur service, a request was started via our yahoo group and e-mail reflector IARUR1HF. Any change of conditions in Region 1 countries for using the 160m band were requested to be reported. Based on the replies an update of the 160m survey has been produced and distributed.

Some correspondence took place with representatives of Member Societies, respectively with amateurs about various issues, for example beacons, AM on HF bands, and remote operation on HF; the latter, in order to answer questions about the interpretation of the recommendation decided by the Varna conference.

During HF contests the bands were checked for violations such as 'out of band operation'. Another check was done to see whether the 'contest-free segments' were respected, if a Member Society as organiser requested the participants by the contest rules to avoid any contest activity within these segments.

In order to get a better harmonisation of band plans in all IARU regions, some Member Societies and the Secretary of IARU Region 3 were addressed before the last Region 3 Conference.

The major job in 2015 and the years before has been the participation in the preparation of WRC-15, either on the national level as national coordinator for agenda item 1.4 (5 MHz) and for the same on the European level at CEPT meetings or on the worldwide level at ITU. During WRC-15 itself I have been member of the German delegation.