International Amateur Radio Union Region 1
Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs

11th World High Speed Telegraphy Championship
22-26 September 2013
Borovets, Bulgaria

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Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs (BFRA) is pleased to invite High Speed Telegraphy (HST) teams, individual competitors and visitors/guests from all over the world to 11th World HST Championship to be held in Bulgaria in September 2013.

Venue:
The Championship will be held in **Borovets**, 70 km south of Sofia (60 km from Sofia Airport). Borovets is one of well known Bulgarian mountain resorts situated in Rila Mountain at height 1200 m above see level.

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Transportation to the venue:
Some of the teams travel, as tradition, by their own bus/cars. Suitable transportation will be organized for the rest, who will arrive at Sofia Airport or Sofia Railway Station.

Accommodation:
The accommodation and the competition will be organized at hotel Rila, a luxury four-star hotel.
http://www.rilaborovets.com/en

Double and triple rooms with WC, bath, TV and Wi-Fi Internet are provided. Single accommodation is available upon request (see bellow). **Accommodation prior and post Championship is also available upon request.**

Weather:
The weather in this period of the year is stable, usually sunny, with daily temperatures 18-19 degrees C, early in the morning down to 8 degrees C.

Visa requirement:

The citizens of majority countries expected to take part in the Championship **do no need visa** to enter Bulgaria. Those societies that need visa will be informed accordingly after receiving their Letter of Intent.

Program of the Championship:

22 September, Sunday – Arrival, accommodation, official opening;
23 September, Monday – Competition, awarding;
24 September, Tuesday – Competition, awarding;
25 September, Wednesday – Day off, excursion, awarding, closing ceremony and banquet;
26 September, Thursday – Departure.

Entry fee and terms of payment:

There are lots of options depending on the status of the participants, needs of accommodation/full board, and date of payment as follows:

Description	***Premium fee*** *(payment till 30 June 2013) per person*	***Late fee*** *(payment upon arrival) per person*
Full package for competitors and team leaders *including accommodation, all-inclusive full board, participation fee, excursion, banquet*	EUR **290,-**	EUR **315,-**
Reduced package for competitors and team leaders *including participation fee, excursion, banquet*	EUR **160,-**	EUR **175,-**
Full package for visitors *including accommodation, all-inclusive full board, excursion, banquet*	EUR **140,-**	EUR **165,-**
Reduced package for visitors *including excursion and banquet*	EUR **70,-**	EUR **80,-**
Special package for newcomer societies *(participating for first time in World/Regional Championship) including accommodation, all-inclusive board, participation fee, excursion, banquet*	EUR **245,-**	EUR **260,-**
Single accommodation – the relevant price above plus EUR **50,-** per person.		

Transfer:

The price from Sofia Airport (or Railway Station) to Borovets and back is EUR **20,-** per person.

Important notes:

1. Please find enclosed a **LETTER OF INTENT.** It must be fulfilled and sent back to reach the organisers at least on **28 March 2013.**
2. All additional information and next Bulletins will be distributed only to **societies that have responded** and only to the contact person regarding the Championship.
3. Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs would like to draw your attention on the fact that **the Championship will be held in a season** when all the hotel reservations must be made in advance. Therefore BFRA will consider all late entries (received after 28 March 2013) with a willingness to help but **without any guarantee that they will be satisfied and participants accepted**.

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LETTER OF INTENT

We:

(Full name of the society) (Official abbreviation)

intend to take part in the **11th World Championship in Borovets, Bulgaria, 22 – 26 September 2013** and would like to apply for participation. Our delegation will consist of:

1. Number of competitors:

2. Number of officials (if not competitors):

3. Number of guests/visitors:

TOTAL NUMBER of participants in this event (1+2+3):

Note: The referees of the International Jury shall not be included in the above number. They will be personally invited.

Contact person regarding the Championships (responsible for the correspondence with BFRA)

Name and Family Name, Callsign:

Telephone number (including country and area codes):

E-mail:

On behalf of the society:

(Name and Family name, Position in the society, Signature)

Date:

Please fulfill and send back this Letter of Intent (to reach BFRA on **28 March 2013 at latest**) to:

BULGARIAN FEDERATION OF RADIO AMATEURS
P.O.BOX 830
BG-1000 SOFIA, BULGARIA

or (**preferably**) by e-mail to: **bfra_hq@hotmail.com**

We are looking forward to meeting you in September.

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