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Subject: Decision about the VHF manager handbook.

Committee(s): C5

Summary:

During our interim meeting in Vienna 2016 we agreed to reorganize the VHF managers handbook to make it more readable for all interested users. The content was reorganized in function of the customer (user of our bands, VHF managers, technical information).

The General Conference in Landshut 2017 decided that the partitioning should be changed in a clearly part about contesting, bandplanning and other, rather than to focus on the customer. In the meantime the actual version would be the reference (version 8.02).

The version 8.02 was divided in 4 parts:

- **PART 1:** this is mend for all the users who are interested in the practical use of the our bands above 30 MHz and more specific about bandplanning, contesting and operating practice
- **PART 2:** contains technical information for developers, technical guidelines and details about research.
- **PART 3:** is mend for all readers who want to know more about the organisation and the working of IARU-R1; specific for VHF managers of the member societies
- **PART 4:** contains historical data, to keep track about the evolution from this handbook.

Although there was not a formal recommendation during the General Conference in Landshut the C5 concluded to have another partition, about bandplanning and contesting.

I redesigned this in version 8.12. I tried to do this, but there are not only items about contesting and bandplanning. So this new division is now:

- **PART 1:** IARU-R1 VHF& up Organisation
- **PART 2:** Bandplanning
- **PART 3:** Contesting
- **PART 4:** Technical and operational references
- **PART 5:** archive

Both versions are identical, nothing has been changed in the content. It was just being reorganised, like some people wanted during our Conference in Landshut 2017. You can find both versions on the IARU-R1 website on following links on the website of our Interim meeting and on the IARU-R1 website

(<https://www.iaru-r1.org/index.php/vhfuhsshf/vhf-uhf-shf-resources>)

Doing this work I saw that many of the items described in section 1 and 4 from the version 8.12 are outdated.

Proposal:

1. That the interim meeting chooses the final format of the VHF handbook between 8.02 or 8.12.
If none of both versions are suitable for the meeting, we should invite a new redactor to do this work in cooperation with the C5 chairman.
2. To encourage MS to update the actual handbook taking into consideration the outdated parts and replace them with more actual data, especially about technical and operational references.

Financial Implications: none for the IARU-R1 budget