

DARF:
Defense of Amateur Radio Fund

World Radio Conferences

- ITU sets international regulations for the use of the radio spectrum
- WRC review spectrum allocations and can make changes in allocations to the different services
- WRC are attended by national delegations
- National delegations have specialists in technology, regulatory practices and specific industry expertise

Canada's delegation

- Led by Industry Canada
- IC has agreed to include an amateur representative to the delegation
- The delegate is nominated by RAC
- The delegate must be formally appointed by IC
- IC does not pay the delegate's expenses
- DARF Trust role is to fund the ham delegate's expenses

DARF

- A legal trust registered in Alberta
- Trust funds may only be used for WRC and preparatory expenses
- Originally created to support the delegate expenses for the WARC 1993
- Three volunteer trustees
- Separate from RAC

Preparatory Expenses

- RABC and Industry Canada Meetings
- ITU Working Party Meetings
- Key CITELE Meetings

CITELE = Comision Interamericana de
Telecomunicaciones/Inter-American
Telecommunications Commission

Why support DARF?

- Ensures Canada's WRC delegation has full-time delegate focused on amateur issues
- Raises visibility of ham radio to IC and world
- Establishes Canada as a leader in the international ham community
- Liaison with hams and other delegates in other delegations
- WRC is expensive – 4 weeks accommodation and living expenses in a major city plus travel

More Information

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