

# YOTA 2016

# AUSTRIA



Please read the entirety of this bulletin, it contains **IMPORTANT** information about the YOTA camp!

BULLETIN NO. 1

## WELCOME ON BOARD

Youngsters On The Air started in 2011 in Romania. Florin Predescu, YO9CNU, invited about 10 European youth teams to gather together in the beautiful place of Campina. This was the early beginning of YOTA. Within a few years, YOTA has grown exponentially. YOTA went to The Netherlands-Belgium, Estonia, Finland and Italy. We are happy to say that, since the conference in Varna-Bulgaria 2014, YOTA is officially part of the International Amateur Radio Region 1 and mainly funded by IARU R1 budget. But also the inviting society and sponsors contribute to YOTA.

The future programmes contain all kind of amateur radio activities. However, a cultural aspect will be part of the program. This new version of YOTA was held for the first time in Italy (ARI), with not only European teams, but also teams from Middle-East and even Africa. Now going to Austria it's even getting bigger! We have invited teams from Region 2 and 3.

Let's make sure that the youngsters will get an unforgettable time, learn a lot about amateur radio and make many new worldwide friends!

**Lisa Leenders, PA2LS**

**Youth WG Chair of IARU R1**

## WELCOME TO AUSTRIA

Dear fellow young amateurs!

The time for the biggest YOTA camp ever has come closer and we are already very excited.

We all agree, that it is vital for the future of Amateur Radio Service to attract and promote young operators into our societies.

Therefore, IARU Region1 has implemented a Youth Coordinator (Lisa, PA2LS) and is organizing YOTA month and funding YOTA summer camp

with growing success every year. Last year our son Florian, OE3FTA, had the chance to join the fun in Italy. So we got infected by the idea.

This year the Austrian Amateur Radio Society OeVSV-celebrating its 90yrs anniversary is hosting YOTA2016 summer camp near Salzburg from 16.-23rd July 2016.

About 110 young ham operators in age between 15 to 25 years from 30 countries are invited to spend one week of holiday in Austrian mountains, having fun with Amateur Radio activities and practical workshops, optimizing their skills in electronics and contesting, but also building bridges in international friendship of Amateur Radio Service and Ham Spirit.

In order to spread the seeds of this wonderful event to other regions, participants from America and Asia are expected for the first time, making this year's summer camp in Austria a really worldwide event!

So in the name of the Austrian Amateur Radio family, the organizing team and IARU R1. we would like to welcome you to this event and are looking forward to get to know your personality, your ideas and passion for the future of Amateur Radio.

Let's have fun and good DX!

**vy 73 de Barbara, OE3YCB, Florian OE3FTA**

**and Mike, OE3MZC**

**President of OeVSV**



## FRIEDRICHSHAFEN HAM RADIO MESSE

Members of the YOTA Austria team will be at the well-known Ham Radio Messe in Friedrichshafen (DL) that takes place 24-26 June. OeVSV Stand (A1-145) will be our base and all youngsters are welcome to meet each other there. We can collect things from the teams to bring to the camp. It could be useful for teams that come to Austria by plane. Example: Things like food & drinks for intercultural evenings takes a lot of space which is expensive on the plane. We set an appointment at OeVSV Stand at A1-145 for Saturday at 16:30 for a ceremony with ARI to hand over YOTA key and official YOTA flag. If all Youngsters/Teams who have the possibility to go to FHN could meet us at the OeVSV stand, that would be great!

## CAMP LOCATION

### ON THE MAP

#### WAGRAIN

south of SALZBURG (OE2), in Austrian Alps about 1 hour by bus from international airport SALZBURG.

At goom above sea level it offers a number of attractions and activities such as hiking, mountain biking and rafting.



## ACCOMMODATION

#### Youth Hotel OBERWIMM

<http://oberwimm.com/en/hotels/jugendhotel-oberwimm/>

- Located in beautiful scenery on large open field outside of town
- Just 300m away from WaterWorld (outdoor/indoor pool and slide)
- Large seminar rooms (90+ people) for workshops and presentations
- Large indoor sport hall, football field, beach volleyball, basketball, sport grounds, etc.
- Fire place for evening events and BBQ
- 200m away from a cable car
- Excellent food on all-inclusive basis with free non-alcoholic drinks all day
- Teams will reside in modern 2-6 bed rooms each including shower/WC & TV.
- Air-conditioned room for radio station and plenty of space for antennas
- The hotel resides next to a forest, which is available to hold an ARDF event.



## ATTRACTIONS NEARBY/EXCURSIONS

### FORTRESS HOHENWERFEN, COTA

The former fortification was built between 1075 and 1078 by the order of Archbishop Gebhard of Salzburg as a strategic bulwark atop a 155m high rock.



Impressive falconry flight displays at the historical falconry centre: Vultures, red kites, falcons and other birds of prey display their airborne grace several times a day. We will make a COTA activation.



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## SOTA SUMMIT GRAFENBERG/GREISKAR/GERNKOGEL

Using the cable car next to the hotel we'll move up to an 1800 to 2000m high summit with beautiful view and mountain top lakes. Perfect to make a long distance VHF/UHF-QSO with hand-held or to test the HAMNET link on 2,4 or 5GHz from summit to summit or well into Germany. We will use our self-made Hf-antenna for SOTA contacts!



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## EISRIESENWELT – ICE CAVE

### World largest frozen ice cave

<http://www.eisriesenwelt.at/en/home.html>

We will be able to experiment with propagation underground using our VHF/UHF radios while exploring the cave labyrinth with a total length of more than 40 kilometres.






## TIMETABLE

We have a preliminary timetable at the moment. We are still preparing some workshops, so they could be changed. We'll spend one full day (Tuesday) on a trip to Fortress Hohenwerfen and into the Ice Cave and one day out in the mountains with all of you. **One important thing: we are in the mountains! So please bring some good shoes and warm jacket.** Don't forget, it will be cold in the Ice Cave! So activities will be "weather" compatible, usually in July temperatures are between 10°C and 30°C and rain is not uncommon. Be prepared!

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### YOTA 2016 WEEK SCHEDULE



	Fr	Sa	So	Mo	Di	Mi	Do	Fr	Sa	
Preparation	Breakf	Breakf	Breakf	Breakf	Breakf	Breakf	Breakf	Breakf	Breakf	Stop
	Arrival	Ant VHF Ant HF	Ant HF Ant VHF	HAMNET APRS	COTA Burg Hohenwerfen	Digital Voice EMCOM	trip on mountains SOTA	ARDF Foxoring	Departure	HF/VHF/Station
	official WELCOME	Ant HF Ant VHF	Ant VHF Ant HF							Stop
	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	FM-VHF-Contest	Lunch	Hütte	Lunch		OE2YOTA
	introduction Special Event Station OE2YOTA	METEOR	WSPR	APRS HAMNET	ICE CAVE	EMCOMM	Digital Voice	Satellite		Stop
	SDR	WSPR	METEOR		New Radio		LTE/GSM Telekom	ceremony Foxoring	Dismantling	
	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner		active
	Get to know Games	Intercultural evening	Dxpedition Film	prepare presentation	demonstrate Hamradio to public	OFF-Air Contest	Good Bye			
	Team Meeting	DISCO		Evening at Campfire						

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During all times keep the YOTA-Special Event Station OE2YOTA up and running on HF and VHF! ...and HAVE FUN!

## PARTICIPANTS

30 Teams from different member societies of IARU R1 and one team from Region2 (USA), with a total of 114 youngsters joining us at YOTA AUSTRIA. Every team consists of one team leader and up to 3 members between 15 and 25 years old. This year the following countries are participating:

OE	Austria
I	Italy
ES	Estonia
G	UK
PA	The Netherlands
ON	Belgium
HA	Hungary
SP	Poland
9A	Croatia
ET	Ethiopia
OK	Czech Republic
HB9	Switzerland
OM	Slovakia
ZS	South Africa
DL	Germany
SM	Sweden
LZ	Bulgaria
YU	Serbia
S5	Slovenia
OH	Finland
Z6	Kosovo
3V	Tunisia
LY	Lithuania
EA	Spain
YO	Romania
E7	Bosnia and Herzegovina
4O	Montenegro
A4	Oman
W	USA
OZ	Denmark

## CHECKLIST (PROPOSED THINGS TO BRING)

- Passport or ID card
- Travel and health insurance (obligatory!)
- Necessary medicines if needed
- Amateur Radio License (if you have one)
- Mobile Phone with a charger
- Shampoo and shower gel
- Toothbrush and paste
- Beach Towel and swimming suit
- Extra underwear and a lot of T-shirts (one official tshirt will be provided to each participant)
- Sun Cream – good protection & Sunglasses (if you use)
- Cap to protect from the sun (take a look at [www.ham-yota.org/shop](http://www.ham-yota.org/shop))
- **Good Sport shoes and warm clothes for some activities on mountains & in ice cave (cold!)**
- Waterproof raincoat (Just in case it starts raining)
- QSL cards (if you have any)
- VHF/UHF Handheld radio
- Laptop (at least 1/team)
- Torch/headlamp
- Permission from parents in the form of parental consent letter (if under 18)
- Your national flag (at least 1/team)
- Clothes from your country (like national t-shirt)

## INTERCULTURAL EVENING

Tradition since the first YOTA is the Intercultural evening. All teams are asked to bring local food and drinks from their home country. This is the chance to show your country to the participants, everyone will taste the local foods and drinks brought by you. You will get a table where you can place food/drinks and other attributes to show your host country. Recommended is to bring a country flag.

**Prepare a short (max. 1 minute) presentation about the things you brought.**

This evening is one of the most requested evenings of all the participants. Give it your best!

## RADIO STATION

We will have a super radio station in Wagrain. Thanky to our sponsors there will be 3-4 HF-Stations and a VHF/UHF All-Mode Station with PA (1kW) and hopefully really big antennas. The requested special callsign is OE2YOTA and we plan do be on air also with Meteor Scatter! Each team should make reservations and use the station several times! Rules of the station will be explained on location. We should try to be "on air" as much as possible to spread awareness of our activity and YOTA.

## HOMEWORK

There is one task for all teams. It's the team leader's job to make sure everyone is involved: PREPARE ENERGIZER / ICE BREAKING GAMES Every team should prepare some small games that we can play (inside or outside). The games should be easy to explain and take 10, 15 minutes max. Remember we have our private sport ground, and games could be take place there! Some small equipment (ball, sticks, paper/pens etc.) can be used, but please contact us in advance if you need anything. The times for every team can be checked from the schedule.

## PAYMENT

As you already know, every participant has to pay a sum of 25 euros. You can either:

1. Pay cash on arrival
2. Credit transfer

Credit transfer information:

IBAN: AT46 3241 3000 0011 9313

BIN: RLNWATWWLAA

Message: Please include your name and callsign as payment message

## AIRPORT PICKUP/DROP OFF

### Pickup and drop off airport or train station SALZBURG

We will arrange the transfer from Salzburg to the camp in Wagrain for all attendees which arrive on Saturday. We ask all attendees to inform us about the scheduled arrival time two weeks (latest 04 of July) in advance.

We then plan the exact time for pickup and will inform you via mail. We also will drop you off if needed, details will be planned during the camp.

**Please also inform us about early arrival (before Saturday) and late departures to plan pickup and hotel.**

Use the following form:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/15C94WoKm2ID4ziuwKGEzZ\\_36bwnC3N7mWSdbAamoiM8/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/15C94WoKm2ID4ziuwKGEzZ_36bwnC3N7mWSdbAamoiM8/viewform)

## ALCOHOL & SMOKING POLICY

In Austria, people under 18 years are not allowed to buy and consume any kind of alcoholic drinks or buy cigarettes. This rule also counts for our event and it is the team leader's responsibility to make sure that participants obey this. We don't control alcohol consumption but please notice that the event site does not allow it. The hotel is NON-SMOKING in all rooms.

## FAQ

If any of you have any question: we are going to create an FAQ document that will be available on the YOTA web site. So feel free to send your question to [austria@ham-yota.com](mailto:austria@ham-yota.com) (or directly to [oe3seu@oevsv.at](mailto:oe3seu@oevsv.at)).

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## WEBPAGE

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