

21st Conference of COPEAM and 20th General Assembly

RADIO COMMISSION

RESOLUTION SCHEME

The Radio Commission met in Tunis on 11 April 2014, under the presidency of Mr. Hervé De Haro. The meeting was very rich in projects and new products.

Presentation and approval of Kantara in Arabic language, weekly 52'-long magazine on cultural and social current affairs in the participating countries. This version is promoted by MC Doualiya and the Algerian Radio through Jill FM, its youth channel. A pilot episode was realized and presented; discussions took place so to extend the programme to Morocco and Tunisia.

Presentation of a new weekly magazine (26 minutes long) devoted to current, identity Mediterranean music. Mainly a musical programme, this magazine aims at facilitating a better circulation of products with no access to the music global market. It also wishes to encourage a better understanding of language-related issues. 6 countries (Algeria – France – Italy – Morocco – Spain – Tunisia) have already joined the project. Discussions have been undertaken with e view to engaging in the coproduction other countries of the eastern Mediterranean basin. Broadcasting is expected to start in September.

Mediterranean Marine Parks, stories of men and fish is in its final phase. This series of 12 episodes of 10' each brings together Albania, Algeria, Croatia, France, Italy, Morocco, Palestine, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, Tunisia and Turkey. Further to two successful workshops - in Marseille, with the support of the Agency for Marine Protected Areas; in Madrid with the contribution of RNE and France Bleu RCFM (the Corsican branch of Radio France) - we are preparing the third and final workshop, to be held in Ajaccio with the support of the Corsican Tourism Agency. This season 1 will be broadcast as from September. We already encourage candidatures for the second season.

Mediterradio, the current affairs magazine in Corsican and Italian language, is stronger: only 1 year after the Cagliari agreement between RAI and Radio France, Tunisia and Malta officially join the team.

The always-successful Kantara enters its 15th year. This weekly magazine remains, at present, the only cross-border radio magazine in the Mediterranean region.

The 2nd edition of the Mediterranean Binmen will be held next 24 May, a popular beach-cleaning operation initiated by the Algerian Radio, setting up a long process to bring together all COPEAM actors around this beautiful initiative which, as a reminder, gathered thousands of volunteers.

With regard to organizational matters, COPEAM Radio Commission proposes appointing delegates with cross-cutting competences. For example, since last year, we entrusted the Algerian Radio with the coordination of the operation the Mediterranean Binmen. In this sense, we wish to consider delegating to one of the radio members a reflection on radio and new media. We will also work more closely with the Training Commission. To this end, the Radio Commission will assess current training needs and intends to present them on the occasion of the Training Commission next meeting.