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Background

The first weekend of March, May and July are defined as sub regional contests. This to promote the use of our bands.

Current situation

Although different countries in Europe use those sub-regional contests dates as national contests, there are different restrictions in use some bands. As example:

- PA is limited to 144 MHz and up,
- In F and G there are band restrictions for certain contests dates

This is discouraging the activity on our bands.

Proposal

IARU shall promote for the countries using the first weekends of March, May and July to open their contests for all bands higher than 50 MHz. This is the correct interpretation of the term sub regional.