



**Technical Naval Museum  
of La Spezia**



**Cultural Association  
"Rover Joe"**



**A.R.M.I.  
Marine Radio Amateur Association**



**A.R.I. Fidenza  
Italian Radio Amateur League**

# ENIGMA RELOADED

## INTERNATIONAL EVENT

4<sup>TH</sup> EDITION - FROM SEPTEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup> TO SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2017

### **GENERAL SUMMARY**

The Enigma Event started in 2014, originated from an idea jointly developed by the Marine Museum of La Spezia, Italy, and the Cultural Association "Rover Joe" (Fidenza, PR, Italy), as an international event linked to an Encryption exhibition organized in conjunction with another cultural event, the "European Researchers Night" (see Attachment 4)

A significant support in the organization of this event was given by A.R.I., the Italian Radio Amateur League .

The event was also supported by other Italian and foreign associations and cultural institutions, and was widely followed in terms of international participation and interest.

The main idea behind the Enigma event is to involve people all over the world, and specifically young people, in focusing their attention on the importance of the scientific research in general and specifically on cryptography, as main driver of most of the crucial events at the end of World War II, even considering their impact both on history and on the present world's life.

The tool chosen to make this event happen is Radio, operated by international amateur radio stations.

### **Project and implementation**

*Coordination and governance :*

## Technical Naval Museum of La Spezia

### *Organization:*

- Technical Naval Museum of La Spezia - Italy
- Cultural Association Rover Joe – Fidenza (PR) - Italy
- A.R.I. Fidenza Radio Club - Italian Amateur Radio League
- A.R.M.I. – Marine Radio Amateur Association

### ***DESCRIPTION OF THE EVENT***

The main goal of the Enigma Event is to promote as much radioamateur's activity as possible all over the world, celebrating the history of the Enigma cipher machine and its crucial role in the final outcome of World War II, spreading the knowledge of those key people, who contributed to the decryption of secret, encrypted messages transmitted by the German army during WW II.

The organizers encourage the participation of as many radioamateur stations in the world as possible, and promote the organization of conferences, seminars and cultural activities to achieve the core objectives of the event.

As "Activating Stations" are meant those radio stations, installed by the organizers and combined with a real Enigma machine, which will have been registered on the official event website : [www.enigma-reloaded.it](http://www.enigma-reloaded.it) (List A) as described below.

The Enigma Event 2017 will take place in two steps :

Step 1 : From September 22<sup>nd</sup> September 29<sup>th</sup> 2017, an amateur radio contest in "clear" (e.g. : with messages in plain text exchanged via Radio) will take place, during which the Activating Stations will make known the event taking place on September 30<sup>th</sup>;

Step 2 : On September 30<sup>th</sup>, the Activating Stations and the other participating amateur stations, having applied and registered themselves on the official event website [www.enigma-reloaded.it](http://www.enigma-reloaded.it) (list B), will exchange each other messages in CW mode (Morse Telegraphy), previously encrypted by a real or emulated Enigma machine. The coordination of the event has been appointed to A.R.I. Fidenza Radio Club.

As in the past editions, and in compliance with the Italian Code of Electronic Communications ruling the amateur radio, namely Article. 134 of the Legislative Decree n. 259/2003 and following amendments, due notice and public evidence of the message will be given in advance on the official event's website : [www.enigma-reloaded.it](http://www.enigma-reloaded.it).

This way, the content of the encoded message and the settings of the encrypting Enigma machine will be made of public domain and known, resulting in a transmitted message being "pseudo encrypted", that is, in clarified code, and therefore intelligible to anyone listening on the air simply accessing to any Enigma emulator available on the Internet.

The list of the Internet Websites where the Enigma emulating softwares and the relevant instructions for use can be downloaded will also be published on the net.

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A legal permission for the event running in the current year has already been released by the Italian Ministry of Economic Development.

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## **ATTACHMENTS :**

### **ATTACHMENT 1**

Organizational Procedures

The official event website is [www.enigma-reloaded.it](http://www.enigma-reloaded.it), where all relevant information related to the event and the final score ranking will be published.

The Technical Naval Museum will play the role of general coordination and governance on all co-organizers, will lead the organization and the realization of the event, and will host an amateur radio station in its seat. .

The Cultural Association “Rover Joe” will define the settings of the ciphering machine and will supply a real Enigma machine for the Radio amateur station located at the Maritime Technical Museum.

The ARI Fidenza Radio Club will define the amateur radio procedures and will manage the official event’s website, acting as collector of all relevant information.

All other participating groups will collaborate in the promotion and management of the event, in close cooperation with the Technical Naval Museum for the general aspects and with ARI Fidenza Radio Club as the amateur radio activities concerns.

A.R.M.I. will be responsible for the score calculations and for the ranking list, as well as for realizing the graphic certificate’s layout.

A copy of the participation certificate will be sent electronically to all participants upon request.

To the top three winners of each category, a special certificate will be sent electronically.

Italian and foreign Amateur radio stations who apply for being registered as "Activating stations" will ensure the activation of their radio stations from September 22<sup>nd</sup> th to September 29<sup>th</sup> 2017, in order to allow to the participants getting their scores for the final ranking (see Annex 2).

On September 30<sup>th</sup>, , the final event's day, the exchange of messages in telegraphy mode (CW) will take place between the Activating Stations and the participating amateur radio stations officially subscribed on the official website [www.enigma-reloaded.it](http://www.enigma-reloaded.it). (List B)

The body of the messages to be exchanged will consist of :

Name of the official event's website, followed by the phrase "European Researchers Night" and the acronym of the rotors and riflessors used (A, B or other).

An encrypted text will follow, beginning with the word in plain text "start" in capital letters, followed by the coded text "EVENT ENIGMA 2017 - INTERNATIONAL – FOURTH EDITION ITALY", followed by 55 characters, grouped in 11 groups of five letters each in mode PARIS, and ending with the word in "end" in plain text, as in the following example :

[www.enigma-reloaded.it](http://www.enigma-reloaded.it) - European Researchers' Night - xyz rotors  
- refl , ENIGMA EVENT 2017 - INTERNATIONAL – FOURTH EDITION ITALY  
where the only part in clarified code will be the one written in upper case in the example given above.

The event of September 30<sup>th</sup> will end with a greeting and thanking message in plain text, sent by the organizers to all participants and listening stations.

The organizers warmly invite all involved parties and institutions to give public evidence of the event directly to their contacts and reference sites, during the whole duration period of the event.

All Activating Stations are invited to organize seminars, conferences and public lectures on the Enigma machine, its history and encryption, indicating on the official website the locations where they will take place.

## **ATTACHMENT 2**

### **"ENIGMA AWARD" REGULATION**

#### **DATES**

The Enigma Award will start on friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 07.00 UTC, and will end on friday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 23:59 UTC, in conjunction with the EUROPEAN RESEARCHERS NIGHT. The complete program is available online at [www.enigma-reloaded.it](http://www.enigma-reloaded.it)

#### **PARTICIPATION**

All amateur radio stations in the world can participate, with the goal of collecting as many QSO as possible with Activating Stations, following the rules explained in this document.

The official list of Activating Stations (List A) will be published on [www.enigma-reloaded.it](http://www.enigma-reloaded.it) site by August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016.

The only participation Certificate categories are : OM category and SWL category, each having its own independent score ranking.

Activating Stations will not compete for the ranking, but will receive a special participation certificate.

As previously defined, each Activating Station requires the presence of an original Enigma machine (not necessarily functioning).

By the time of the registration application of the Activating Stations (List A), the name of the museum or cultural group hosting the machine associated with the radio station will be made known.

For amateur collectors or private owners, the province where the station is located will be considered as sufficient information.

Any additional detail, if any, will be welcome, but is not mandatory.

On September 30<sup>th</sup>, , the last event's day, the Activating's Stations will call one by one the stations equipped with one emulated / virtual machine listed in List B on the official website [www.enigma-reloaded.it](http://www.enigma-reloaded.it), and will exchange encoded messages.

## **QSO RULES**

QSOs are allowed on all HF bands 10-12-15-17-20-30-40-80-160 meters, in SSB, CW, RTTY, SSTV, PSK31 mode only.

QSOs via repeaters, transponders or other similar ways are NOT allowed and will NOT be accepted as valid.

The QSOs will be valid once exchanged the conventional RST report.

Each Activating Station can be contacted only once per day for each emission mode and for each band, throughout the whole contest.

Use of spots using Packet Cluster is allowed, but "self spotting" by the Activating Stations is NOT allowed.

## **POINTS FOR QSO / HRD AND MULTIPLIERS**

Each QSO with Activating stations worth 1 point. The individual callsigns of the Activating stations count as multipliers.

Example of scoring: 10 QSOs with IO4ENG, 25 QSOs with I12ENG, 7 QSO with SP0ENIGMA: Total points / QSO 42, multipliers 3, then 126 points in total.

## **SCORES**

To obtain the certificate, OM and SWL participants must reach the following minimum score:

Italian and other European stations: 16 x (n. of Activating Stations) points;

DX stations: 8 x (n. of Activating Stations) points;

## **SCORE RANKING AND AWARDS**

The final results will be published after the end of the event on the website [www.enigma-reloaded.it](http://www.enigma-reloaded.it).

The first three stations classified in the OM and SWL categories will receive a special certificate via email.

Each station having achieved the minimum score (see above) will receive the Enigma Award via email.

The decisions of the judging Committee will be final and undisputable.

All participants not complying with the rules stated in this document will be disqualified.

## **HOW TO SEND LOGS**

The logs must be sent by email within October 30 th, 2017 to the following e mail address:

[award@enigma-reloaded.it](mailto:award@enigma-reloaded.it)

The log must be sent using the electronic log downloadable from [www.enigma-reloaded.it](http://www.enigma-reloaded.it) site under "Enigma Award Log", in download area.

## **FINAL REMARKS**

Anything not specifically mentioned in this Regulation and its amendments, as well as any additional information will be published on the official web site [www.enigma-reloaded.it](http://www.enigma-reloaded.it), to which as any request for additional information should be addressed.

As general ruling system, the common practice, customs and conventions usually adopted within the amateur radio competitions hold.

## **ATTACHMENT 3**

### **ENIGMA MACHINE SETTINGS**

The purpose of this note is to define the mode of use of the Enigma machines on the final event's day.

This note has been written taking into account the most common machine types hosted in museums and owned by privates, as well as the emulators available on the net. It is also considered the case of by hand coding and decoding of the messages, without using any real or emulated cipher machine.

With only rare exceptions, most of the original machines owned by institutions or privates belong to the types I, M3 and M4, which were designed and built to allow communication compatibility between the German Army and its supporting groups.

These machines are typically equipped with 3 or 4 rotors, and are mutually compatible.

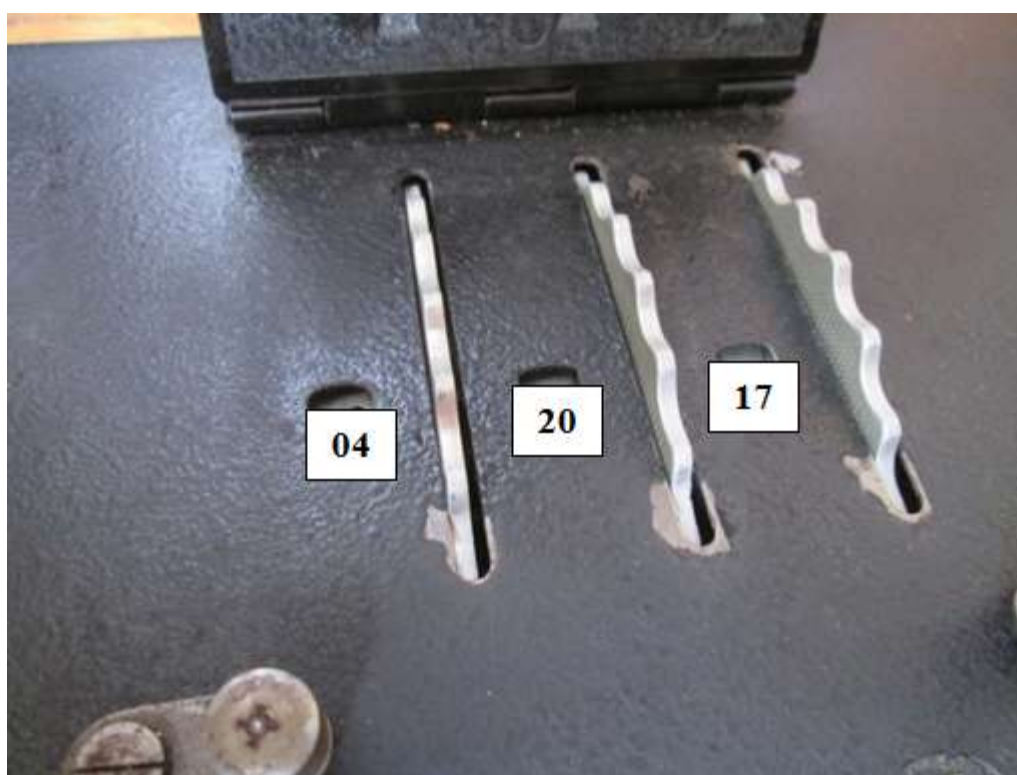
Each station participating to the Enigma final day will be host an amateur radio station and equipped with a real or emulated Enigma machine.

For the reasons explained in the following, it is recommended to operate with the availability of a computer having access to Internet.

A simplified setting compared to the original procedure followed by the German Army will be adopted.

The initial rotor positioning code (Grundstellung) will be the same for all machines, as well as the date of the Enigma Event : Fourth edition 2017, namely 04 – 20 – 17 for numeric rotors, and D – T – Q in the case of alphabetic rotors (according to the date format in use in Italy, see photo 1).

Photo 1



Real Enigma machine

In the encoding procedure the rotors will be positioned in ascending numerical order from left to right, (for example : II, IV, V or I, III, IV, ....), see photo 2.

The rotors will be previously pre set by acting on the “Ringstellung” ring, bringing the characters “01” or “A” of the alphanumeric ring (depending on the machine type) to the position corresponding to the eagle’s symbol on the outer ring.

Photo 2



After closing the door, rotate the rotor rings in such a way to read, from the left to the right, the values 04,20,17,or D - T- Q (photo 1, Grundstellung).

In machines equipped with four rotors, set the first rotor on the on "01" or "A".

Do not connect any electric wire to the pins (Stecker), present only in military type machines.

Composition of the encoded message:

The letters obtained as a result of the encoding of a plaintext message will be transmitted in groups of letters in PARIS mode (also called "AGREED" = coded message consists of five - letter groups).

## ENCODING AND DECODING

If the rotors on the receiving machine are identical to those of the transmitting one, the machine settings to be used in order to convert the encoded message into plain text is exactly the one described above.

As already explained in this document, the messages originated by the transmitting stations will be encoded with the available rotors, whose number will be reported as plain text in each message, as well as the reflector (ETW) type : (A, B etc.).

For decoding messages with a real Enigma machine, if the transmitter and receiver machines are not equipped with the same rotors, one among the many Enigma emulators available on the internet can be used.

Useful technical information about the Enigma rotors details, as well as instructions about how to manually decode the messages, even by means of paper based simulators, will be available on the Internet : for the latter, please refer to "Paper Enigma".



## ATTACHMENT 4 - General information about the "European Researchers Night"



Research Executive Agency

P3-Marie Curie Reintegration Grants and Researchers' Night

### HORIZON 2020

### Call H2020-MSCA-NIGHT-2014 (Researchers' night 2014 - 2015)

## PRESENTATION NOTE

### What is the European Researchers' night all about?

European Researcher's' night, as from its first edition in 2006, is a Marie Skłodowska-Curie (MSCA) action, under the Horizon 2020 specific programme "Excellent science"; it consists of a pan-European event taking place on the last Friday night of September. For the first time, proposals for the European Researchers' nights should cover 2 successive years, i.e. 2014 and 2015. In other words, they will cover two events, respectively taking place on Friday 26 September 2014 and 25 September 2015. Proposals covering one single year may also be considered.

Its **objective**, as described in the Work Programme for 2014-2015, consists of:

*"Bringing the researchers closer to the general public and increasing awareness of the research and innovation activities with a view to supporting the public recognition of researchers, creating an understanding of the impact of researchers' work on daily life and encouraging young people to embark on scientific careers".*

Several main features result from such definition:

□ ***"Bringing the researchers closer to the general public"***

- Focus on the researchers themselves, appearing as well as professionals and as human beings;
- Activities addressing all components of the public at large, whichever the age and social or scientific background;

□ ***"Increasing awareness of the research and innovation activities with a view to supporting the public recognition of researchers, creating an understanding of the impact of researchers' work on daily life"***

- Presentation and explanation of the research's results, whichever the topic, from fundamental to applied/industrial research;
- Clear illustration of such results through examples that can "hit" the visitors and show the influence on their daily lives;
- Illustration of the potential influence of research works on territory planning, health policies, urban management, environmental choices..., e.g. of the interaction between research and strategic orientations for the management of territories;
- Illustration of the possible transfer of research results into industrial processes or products, also pointing out the research's contribution to economic growth, employment and technological progress;

□ ***"Encouraging young people to embark on scientific careers"***

- Activities addressing young people, in particular when about choosing a career orientation;
- Direct witnesses by researchers, pointing out the fascination of their job as well as the possibility of combining job and private life;
- Illustration of the various possibilities offered to scientists, both in academic and industrial circles;

## Which messages to convey?

It's up to the applicants identifying the mottos of their event, based on the specificities of their activities, geographical territory, specific public components addressed... Nevertheless, some examples can be provided, based on the experiences conducted under Framework Programme 7:

- Researchers are amongst us (= researchers are ordinary people with an extraordinary job, one can be a researcher and have a balanced life);
- Research is fascinating and fun;
- Your life would be much more difficult without research (pointing out the impact on daily lives);
- Research is a challenging and interesting career orientation...

## Which kind of activities to plan?

### General features

**Whichever the type of activities and their internal combination, whichever the type of partners/sponsors involved in the action, the researchers have to be the focus as well as the "motors" of the activities; in other terms, it must remain clear that the purpose of the action consists of promoting researchers and research careers towards the general public. Promoting specific companies, institutions, political orientations should be totally excluded.**

- Range of activities likely to attract/entertain all components of the public at large;
- Activities addressing the visitors whichever their level of scientific background;
- "Edutaining" activities (since having to compete with more traditional Friday night activities);
- Activities linked to research work and results, to researchers' hobbies, to visitors' daily lives and interaction with research...;
- Whichever the activities, researchers have to play an essential role and be as much as possible in constant interaction with the audience;

### Examples based on previous experiences

- Hands-on experiments, with help/accompaniment of researchers;
- Science demos and shows;
- Display of science films, comments and debates;
- Simulations, presentation of prototypes;
- Games, quizzes, competitions with researchers (whichever topic: scientific, sport, cooking, music, dance, painting...);
- Rallies based on enigmas, solved with assistance of specialised researchers;
- Researchers' dating;
- Live digging (archaeology);
- Crime investigation;

### Most effective activities have proven to be those:

- Directly and actively involving the audience;
- Linked to "hot" topics (likely mobilising the attention of any visitor as being very close to their concerns);
- Linked to popular characters or formats (TV shows, TV programmes, and popular characters, magic...)

## What kind of target audience?

- As referred to above, public at large in all its components;
- Focus on pupils and students with regard to the promotion of research careers;

## How pointing out the action's European dimension?

- Whichever the acronym chosen for the action, it will have to be preceded or **followed by the mention "European Researchers 'night"** (police and format to be determined and circulated by REA on due time) and the European flag;
- Each project will have to set up **at least one "European corner"**, meeting point where people can at least get information on European programmes and support in favour of research and researchers, policies, achievements and breakthroughs;
- **Each** European corner will **have to offer**:
- A European flag;
- A European Researchers' Night roll-up, complying with the following requirements:
  - Placed at the event's entrance;
  - Complying with the following content and format requirements:  
200 X 85cm and the mentions "European Researchers' Night", "Marie Skłodowska-Curie: an inspiration to follow", as well as an image to be provided by the European Commission;
- Promotional material bearing the mention "This European Researchers' Night project is funded by the European Commission under the Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions"
- Direct computer link with European websites (list to be provided by REA on due time) and promotional videos;
- Permanence of Marie Curie fellows/ researchers having benefited from a European support witnessing their concrete experience (nationals having carried out research abroad or foreign fellows carrying out research on national territory) and also taking part in the activities organised outside the European Corner;
- Demonstration about at least one research project supported at EU level and involving the area;
- Interactive activities such as games, competitions, quizzes, related to Europe, European programmes and namely research at European level.

## Further information

- Guide for applicants;
- Frequently asked questions about European Researchers' night;
- Colette Renier, [Colette.renier@ec.europa.eu](mailto:Colette.renier@ec.europa.eu).