

Webs Review

The World of Radio

In this issue, *Webs Review* presents a selection of links on the radio sector and in particular on digital and Internet-based radio.

World DAB Forum

Fòrum Mundial de la Ràdio Digital

www.worlddab.org/

The WorldDAB Forum is a non-governmental international organisation that coordinates the implementation of DAB (digital audio broadcast) services. It represents more than 100 companies and organisations from all sectors of the audiovisual industry in 30 countries, including public and private operators, manufacturers, providers, regulatory organisations and government bodies. The Forum's website can be used to consult regulatory documentation, articles and other technical and trade texts on DAB.

Foro de la Radio Digital

www.radiodigitaldab.com/index.htm

Forum de la Radio Digital is a member of the WorldDAB Forum. It was established in 1998 with the aim of promoting digital radio in Spain. It is made up of public and private broadcasters, network operators and transmitter and receiver manufacturers. Its work is articulated around three main areas: technological, legal and commercial. The website, in Spanish, reports on the practical details surrounding digital radio transmissions: where to buy a receiver, current coverage, models for computers, cars, homes, etc.

Annuaire de la radio

www.annuairedelaradio.com/

An exhaustive directory of French radio stations, listing all the stations with a website, classified by type (public, private, local, online, digital, satellite, pirate, etc.). It includes resources on broadcasting in France, such as institutions, associations, history, archives and radio presenters and has links to information on the international radio scene.

What you need to know about radio ***radio.about.com***

A virtual community by About.com devoted to radio and coordinated by Corey Deitz, a US radio broadcaster. The website features the most up-to-date news and a great many radio-related links, including a glossary, directories, history, publications, etc. In English.

Super Radio - Guide to Radio Stations in Spain ***www.guiadelaradio.com/***

The online version is a summarised publication of the guide of the same name. This directory classifies all the radio stations in Spain by province, regardless of whether they are on the Internet or not. It also offers other resources, such as links to programme websites and the sites of radio stars, articles, etc. It has daily updated news reports, an archive for the past five weeks and online broadcasts.

BBC Radio

www.bbc.co.uk/radio/

The website of the radio section of the BBC makes it possible to listen live, or for up to a week following a broadcast, to a number of programmes classified by genre. It also facilitates access to all its stations, e.g., Radio 1 and the BBC World Service and has a section devoted to digital radio.

Media UK Internet Directory: Radio

www.mediauk.com/directory/radio/index.html

This website includes a list in alphabetic order of the different radio stations in the United Kingdom. It includes information on each registered station, including contact information, coverage area, frequencies, schedules, etc. There is also a list of the most recent news stories concerning the radio sector.

Live365.com
www.live365.com

Live365, which began in 1999, is a major network of online broadcasters created by users and structured by music genre. It broadcasts from 100 different countries and has millions of listeners. For a monthly fee, Live365 provides the software and infrastructure so that anyone with a computer and Internet access can listen to an Internet station.

Web Radio
www.web-radio.fm

An online radio service. This site provides access to a list of 10,000 radio stations, 4,000 of which also broadcast online. They are classified by alphabetic order, format, state (US and Canada) and country. There is also a section with a list of broadcasters that transmit only over the Internet. It also includes the biggest news headlines on radio-related issues.

OneWorld Radio
radio.oneworld.net

International community of radio presenters and producers who share programmes for development. The OneWorld network is made up of 1,500 organisations from over 80 countries. These organisations work for sustainable development, peace and human rights and are the main sources of information on the network. The site contains a radio search service.

ClandestineRadio.com
www.clandestineradio.com

ClandestineRadio.com was established in 1996 and is defined as the only online portal devoted to the study of clandestine and subversive radio. As well as a directory of clandestine broadcasters across the world, the site includes an interesting sound library and information on the broadcasters, whether currently active or not. Each fortnight it publishes a bulletin called Clandestine Radio Watch which gathers information for tracking psywar developments across the globe.

Ranet
www.ranetproject.net

Ranet is a consortium formed by different organisations. It is a project that combines radio and the Internet to disseminate information on the weather and climatology of the whole of Africa. Ranet helps marginal communities interpret weather forecasts and meteorological and environmental information. As weather plays a fundamental role in the communities of nearly all Africa with regards agriculture, health or migrations due to natural disasters, Ranet is an essential tool for helping in these areas.

Radio Directory
www.radiodirectory.com/

Radio Directory is a specialised search engine for the world of radio. The thousands of links are classified by topics, including broadcasters, programming, music, research, advertising, etc. It also sends out a weekly newsletter that includes some of the most interesting links.

World Association of Community Radio Broadcasters (AMARC)
www.amarc.org/

AMARC is a non-governmental organisation at the service of the community radio movement, which brings together nearly 3,000 members and associate members from 106 countries. Community radio is characterised by the active participation of the community in the creative processes in generating news, information, entertainment and culturally relevant material, focusing on local topics and concerns. AMARC aims to support and contribute to the development of community and participative radio in line with the principles of solidarity and international cooperation. The International Board includes representatives from each continent.