



## Licence Notice of « Toots » program

### Preface

The HARMONICA (HARMOnised Noise Information for Citizens and Authorities) project, co-funded through the Life 2010 programme, has developed an innovative, easy-to-understand, noise index (the Harmonica Index) in order to:

- facilitate the understanding of noise in different European cities ;
- increase the assimilation of the noise issue by the general public and public authorities ;
- promote the development of environmental noise policies.

The Harmonica Index is calculated on an hourly basis and requires at least 80% of available LAeq,1s noise values to be calculated. Average values of the Harmonica Index are then calculated for day-time, night-time and 24 hours periods.

Bruitparif set up [www.noiseineu.eu](http://www.noiseineu.eu) website to provide noise information from major cities and regions and to share and disseminate new approaches, tools and informations between them.

To make participation and dissemination as broad and easy as possible, all European cities and organisations are encouraged to calculate the Harmonica index on their own noise measurements data and to send them into [www.noiseineu.eu](http://www.noiseineu.eu).

To facilitate the implementation and the dissemination of the Harmonica Index, Bruitparif has developed a Windows program named « Toots ».

Whilst people are encouraged to use the « Toots » program in order to test the Harmonica Index, the use of the « Toots » program is subject to certain conditions to ascertain consistency now and in the future between the various users. This agreement/license is meant to assure this.

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