# **INSTRUCTION MANUAL**

# AR1400 Audio & Event Recorder

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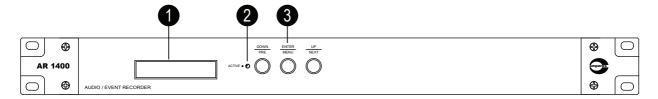
AR1400 is developed from the extensive research and requirement from installer for event loggings for paging or voice alarm activation in their PA system, which also records the audio in the same time. Though it is primary used for PA installation, it can also be used as an audio recorder for capturing audio during meetings or conference.

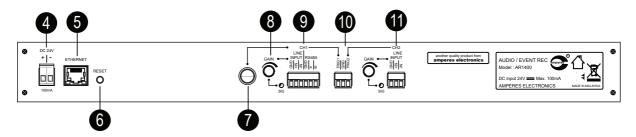
It is developed around web technology, doing away with downloads of software to access the unit. Setup and access are made easier by using browser, through a PC or tablet.

With its large memory capacity, AR1400 shall be able to record tenth of thousands of messages and events, therefore, it shall be able to remain functional for years to come.



# **Parts Identifications**





#### 1. LCD

Displays current activity / event of the unit

#### 2. ACTIVE LED INDICATOR

It shall lit when there is an activity / recording in progress

#### 3. MENU BUTTONS

They are used to scroll the menus / information at LCD. All settings or configurations shall be done through web browser

#### 4. DC POWER INPUT

Connect to 24V DC with 0.5A rating for powering the unit. Use only regulated power source. (power consumption 900 mA)

#### 5. LAN PORT

Connect to network switch and thereafter accessible by remote PC for settings and retrieval of files / logs.

#### 6. RESET BUTTON

Press momentarily to reset the unit. All previously save configurations shall be affected.

#### 7. AUDIO INPUT PHONE JACK

Line level audio input for channel 1 in balanced 0 dBu

#### 8. GAIN CONTROL

Input level control for phone jack and mini phoenix connectors with LED signal indicator

#### 9. AUDIO INPUT AND RS485 CONTROLS

Audio input for recording purpose in CH 1 with balanced line level. RS485 terminal is to connect to device with data controls such as paging mic. Recording shall detect the device type of the activated input and the audio and corresponding device shall be named accordingly in the file.

#### 10. RECORDING TRIGGER CONTACTS

Triggering ports for initiating recordings in Channel 1 and 2. Dry contact is required. Both recordings can be done simultaneously.

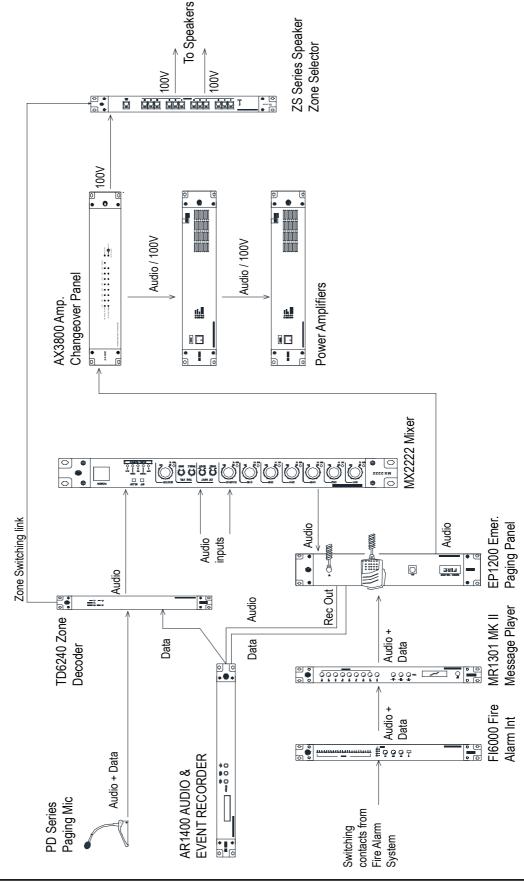
#### 11. CHANNEL 2 AUDIO INPUT

Audio recording of CH 2 with line balanced signal. The input level is controlled by the gain controller. It has input gain control and LED signal indicator.

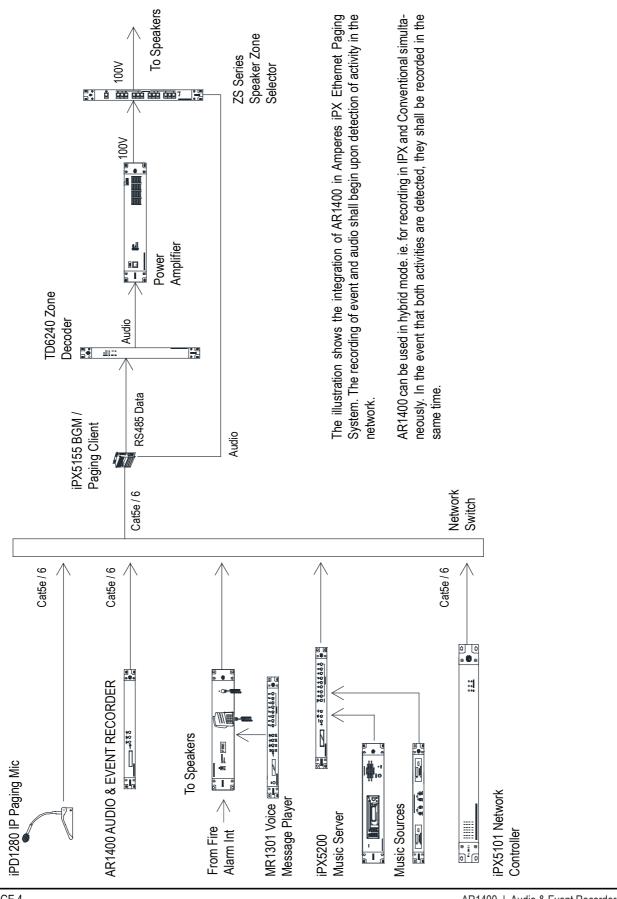
# **Application Schematic (Conventional)**

The illustration below is a typical schematic for integrating AR1400 to conventional system. The recording will start whenever there is an activity detected at Paging Microphone, MR1301 and Emergency Paging Mic through RS485. Event activity through FI6000 can also be recorded.

Alternatively, the audio recording can also begin through dry contact. Please refer to connecting the unit section.

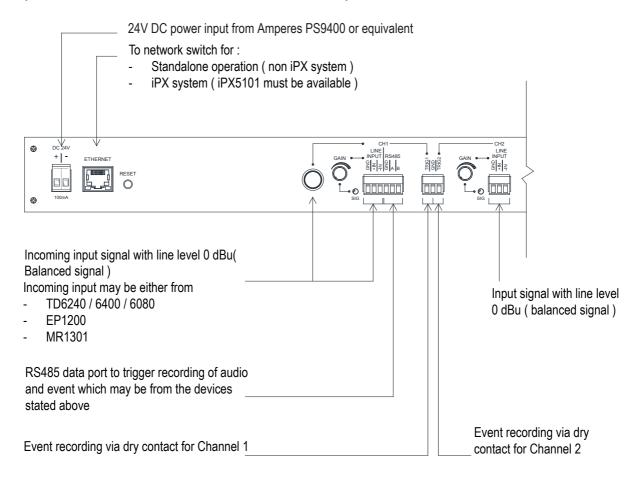


# Application Schematic ( iPX System )



# Connecting the Unit

Illustration below shows the connections of incoming sources and triggering method to activate event and audio recordings. In any incident, AR1400 is able to record three sources simultaneously.



#### Note:

Only Channel 1 has dual event / audio recording triggering method, either from RS485 or dry contact. Both can be used simultaneously. However the source name shall not be available in the logs for activity without RS485.

There are 4 ways to make a recording:

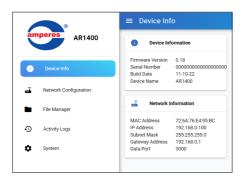
- 1. iPX recording: Paging / siren / messaging from iEP / iPD devices via ethernet
- 2. AMP recording: Paging / siren / messaging from EP / PD series of devices via RS485 port
- 3. User recording: Activated via front buttons
- 4. Remote Trigger: Activated via dry contact ports located at the rear of the device

CH 1 accepts the 2/3/4 triggering sources where AMP has the highest priority followed by User and lastly Remote Trigger. Example: While a User recording is ongoing, and a PD mic is activated, it will stop User recording and starts AMP activity. Likewise, CH 2 accepts User and Remote Trigger recording with User has higher priority over Remote Trigger.

iPX recording can be done simultaneously with other recordings. If concurrent paging mode is enabled,AR1400 able to record 4 iPD recordings simultaneously.

## **Device Setup via Browser**

AR1400 requires some basic setup and is done via web browser. The default IP address is 192.168.0.100. The login page shall appear with User ID and Passwords as "admin"



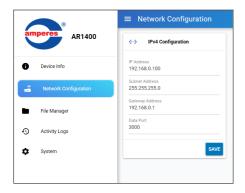
#### **IMPORTANT NOTE**

Gateway IP address of PC and AR1400 must be the same. Please set it to 192.168.0.1 ( default ) before trying to communicate with AR1400.

#### **Device Info**

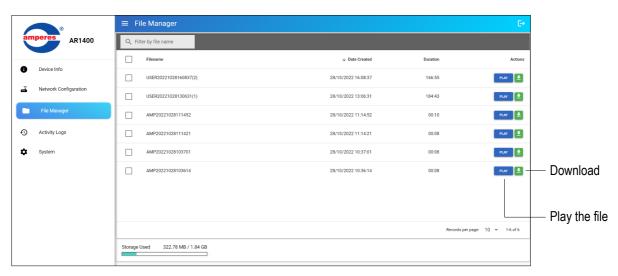
Once login into AR1400, this shall be the first page showing the device information such as Firmware version and the network information.

It is required to change the default IP address to another unique address to avoid network conflict.



#### **Network Configuration**

Edit the IP address to another unique address to suit the network setup. Leave the data port unchanged and click "Save".

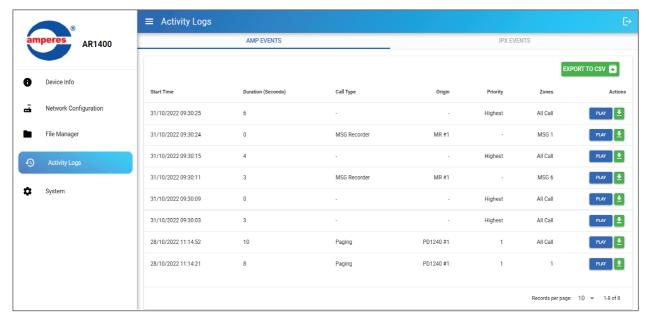


#### File Manager

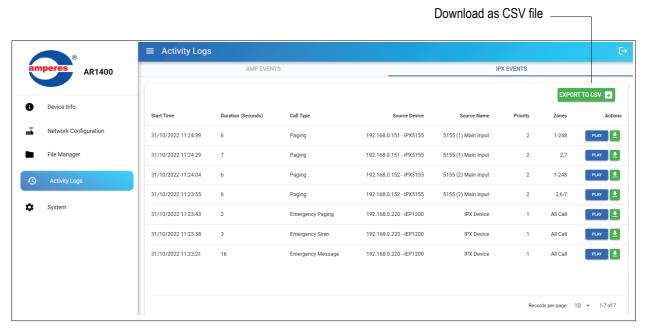
This page lists down all the recorded files and each file can be played directly from the PC or downloaded as .wav file type.

If the memory is full, the first recorded file will be overrided - FIFO sequence.

## **Device Setup via Browser**



Activity logs for conventional devices

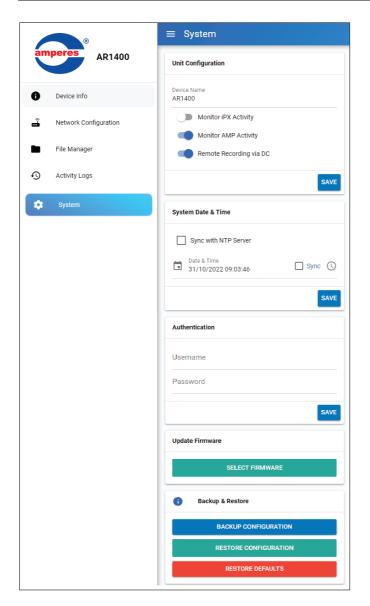


Activity logs for iPX devices (in Amperes iPX Ethernet Paging System)

Activity logs page consists of 2 sets of activities from conventional and iPX devices. Both would list down the type of devices , its origin, time stamps and affected zones.

The logs can be downloaded to CSV files. Audio source can be played at PC terminal or downloaded as .wav file.

# **Device Setup via Browser**



The unit shall be required to be configured to serve its function properly in the type of system employed.

#### **Unit Configuration**

Enable or disable if the unit is to be installed in :

- iPX Ethernet paging system
- AMP Activity which is conventional system
- Remote recording via Dry Contact which is to activate recording of audio using a switch or any dry contact

#### **System Date and Time**

The devices time and date can be manually entered or auto sync with NTP server or push sync with connected PC.

For auto sync with NTP server, Internet connection with the device connected to PC must be available.

#### Authentication

To prevent unauthorized access to the device, change the default Username and Password.

#### **Update Firmware**

Firmware updates can be done either through this selection or if the device malfunction, update it through Bootloader mode.

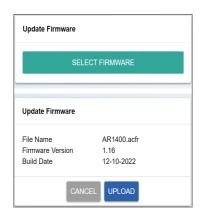
Please refer to section "Update Firmware"

#### **Backup & Restore**

This allows configurations to be save to a file and restore when it is required. All data or recorded files shall not be saved.

Restore defaults shall revert the device to factory default settings.

### **Update Firmware**



Update Firmware in Normal operation mode.

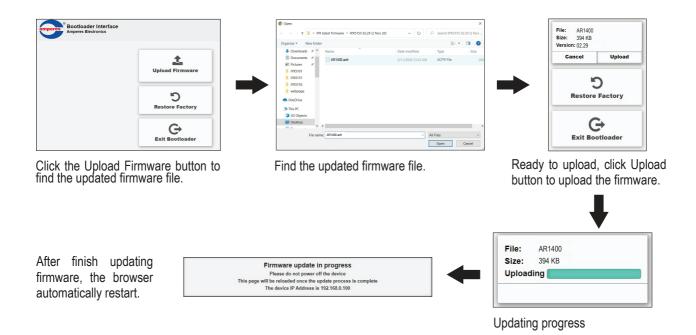
Click on "Select Firmware" tab to update firmware which is available from time to time. Check the version number of the existing unit against the latest available version in the website: www.ampereselectronics.com/downloads-amperes

- 1. Open browser with the unit's IP address
- Select the binary file with ".acfr" extension and click "Upload"
- 3. Once update is completed, the browser shall enter the login page.

#### **Update firmware in Bootloader Mode**

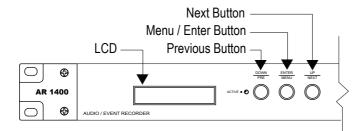
If it is required to update using bootloader mode, in situation such as device "hanged" or operating in abnormal mode:

- 1. Press & hold the reset button and this will set the IP address to default address 192.168.0.100.
- 2. Open a browser and enter the IP address 192.168.0.100. A web page as shown below shall appear.
- 3. Select "Upload Firmware", choose a binary file with ".acfr" extension and click "UPLOAD"
- 4. Once the uploading is completed, the browser shall enter the login page.



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## Operating the Unit (Front Buttons)



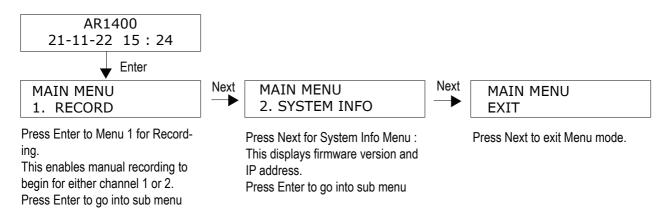
The front buttons can be used to check several informations as listed below as well as to perform manual recordings for both Channel 1 and 2.

To enter the Menu, press Menu button.

Any active recording shall be indicated by the LED, except iPX recording.

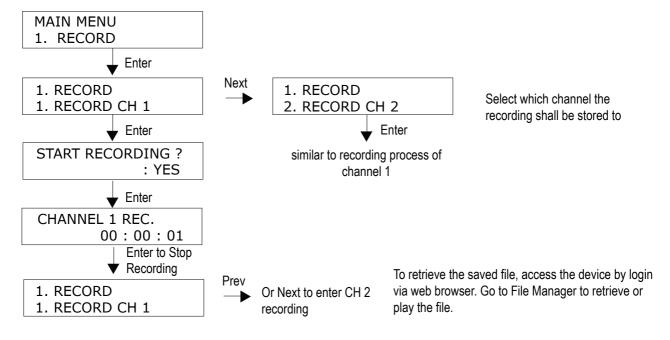
#### Main Menu

The front buttons are used to access the simple menus. Primary settings and other navigations are mainly available in the UI, accessible by web browser.



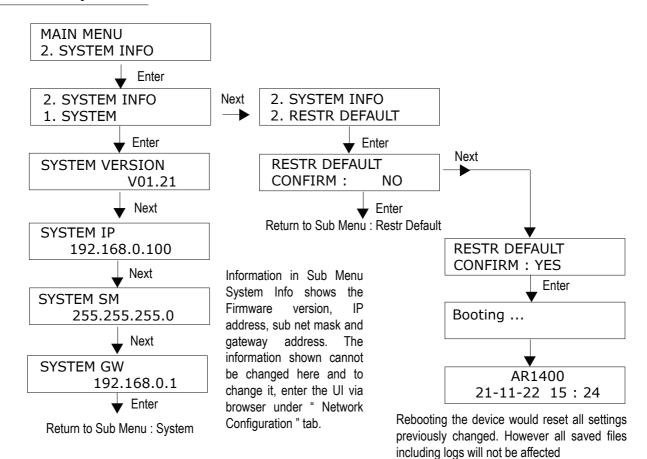
#### Sub Menu: Record

Manual recording through front button can be performed via this sub menu or through web interface. At any one time, recording can be performed one at a time via this menu. A continuous recording time of 6 hours is possible for each recording activity. Both Ch.1 and 2 recordings can be made.



# **Operating the Unit**

Sub Menu: System Info



# **Technical Specifications**

Input voltage	24 V DC ; 1 A
Power consumption ( all triggered )	2.1 W; (0.09 A)
Input channels	3 ( including iPX )
iPX record initiation	Via iPX5101
Analogue input record initiation	Dry contact and RS485
Input level	Line: Balanced Max +4dBU
Storage media	16 GB - Internal SD Card
Recording duration	500 hours min
Recording format	WAV, MP3
Indicators	LCD
Communications	RS485 ; 19.2 kbps
	LAN 10/100 Base T
User interface	Web browser : Google, Firefox
Dimensions	482 x 44 x 180 mm
Weight	1.9 kg

#### Note:

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