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PRACTICAL GUIDE

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Arriving in Vienna

For an interactive map which shows all of the information below, please click [here](#) or type “bit.ly/UNICA11” into your browser.

How to reach Your Hotel from Vienna Airport



Vienna Airport Lines Bus: The quickest way to get to your hotel is via the Airport Bus, which will drop you off at Schottentor U-Bahn (Liechtensteinstraße). *For Hotel Pension Museum, exit the bus at Volkstheater instead.* Busses run 24 hours a day every 30 minutes with a journey time of around 25 minutes. Your hotel will be a short walk from here. At the airport, follow signs to the bus station. A one-way ticket is 8 EUR and a return is 13 EUR. Tickets can be bought in advance or directly from the driver. See www.viennairportlines.at for more details.

City Airport Train (CAT): The CAT is a non-stop service from Vienna Airport to Wien Mitte. The journey will take 16 minutes. Once here, you will need to take the U-Bahn “Landstraße Wien Mitte” (U4) to Schottenring where you will switch to the U2 for one stop. At Schottentor you will be able to walk to your hotel within a few minutes. *For Hotel Pension Museum, take the U-Bahn “Landstraße Wien Mitte” (U3) to Volkstheater and walk a few minutes to the hotel.* Tickets for the CAT are 11 EUR single, and 17 EUR return. CAT tickets can be bought in the baggage area and on the train platform. You will also need to purchase an U-Bahn ticket for this journey, which can be purchased from Wien Mitte or the airport (CAT tickets and U-Bahn tickets are sold from different machines and take cash or card).

S-Bahn: The S7 is a regional train and will also take you to Wien Mitte in 25 minutes from the airport. Tickets cost 3.90 EUR one way. Ticket machines can be found on the platforms at the airport.

Taxi: Taxis are available from the airport. Please make sure to use a licensed taxi service. A taxi from the airport into the city costs around 35-40 EUR.

How to reach your hotel from Vienna Hauptbahnhof



If you are coming via train to Vienna Hauptbahnhof, you should take the U1 underground (red line) direction Leopoldau to Karlsplatz and then change to the U2 (purple line) until Schottentor.

Public transport tickets

All public transport in the area around Vienna (but excluding the airport) is part of the same fare union (Verkehrsverbund Ost-Region (VOR) and therefore any ticket bearing the VOR symbol can be used on every means of public transport in the area. You can use the same ticket for a journey of no more than an hour that involves trips by bus, tram, metro and/or train, and you can change as often as you have to without having to buy a new ticket. Single tickets are 2.20 EUR if bought in advance from the ticket machines at U-Bahn stations (or 2.30 EUR if bought on board a bus or tram). 24-, 48-, or 72-hour tickets are also available at machines in U-Bahn stations and from Wiener Linien Transport desks in some U-Bahn stations and train stations. Wiener Linien manages the public transport in Vienna and more information can be found here: <http://www.wienerlinien.at/eportal3/>

Hotels

Hotel Regina

Rooseveltplatz 15, 1090 Wien

Hotel de France

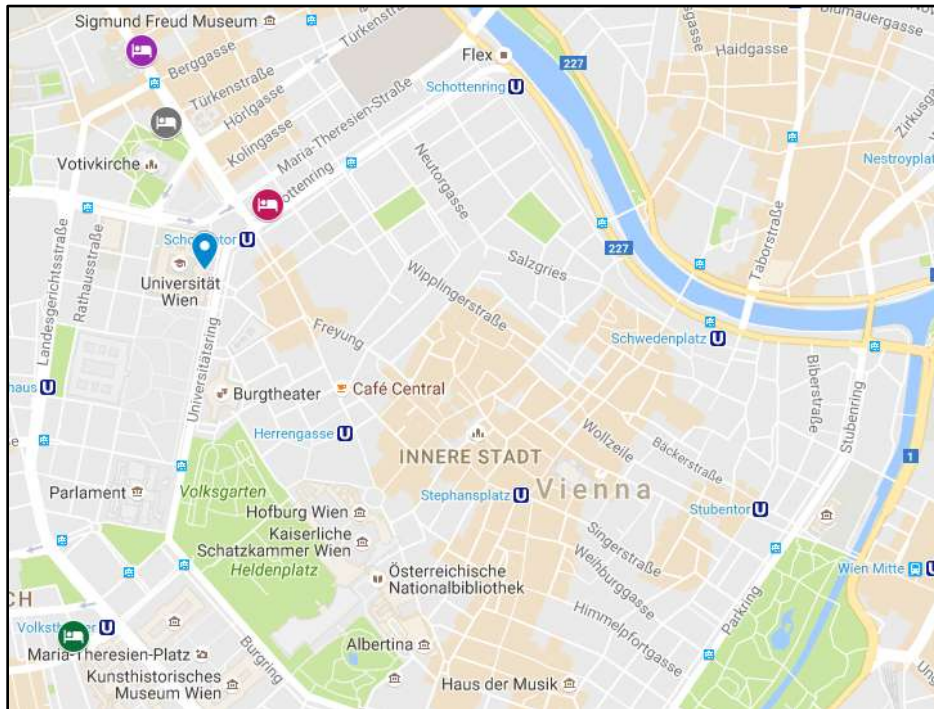
Schottenring 3, 1010 Wien

Hotel Pension Museum

Museumstraße 3, 1070 Vienna

Hotel Am Schottenpoint

Währinger Str. 22, 1090 Wien



Getting to the Venues

Monday 28th November

Mondi 2, Central Building of the Institute and Technology Austria (IST Austria), Am Campus 1, 3400 Klosterneuburg

Take the U-Bahn (underground) from Schottentor (U2, direction Seestadt) one station to Schottenring. You will then need to switch from the U2 to the U4 (green line) direction Heiligenstadt. You will need to travel four stations to the terminus Heiligenstadt. The whole journey takes a maximum of 15 minutes. Please wait outside the exit to Heiligenstadt U-Bahn and a shuttle bus will take you to the venue. An organiser will be waiting for you there. **The bus leaves at 08:45 PROMPT from Heiligenstadt U-Bahn.** Once at IST, you will be guided to the registration area.



Tuesday 29th November

Main Building of the University of Vienna, Universitätsring 1, A-1010 Vienna (see map above for location of Main Building).

Room: Elise Richter Saal

Location map:

https://braup.univie.ac.at/fileadmin/user_upload/betriebsrat_aup/downloads/BR_Wahl_16/Hauptgebaeude_-_Zugang_Elise_Richter_Saal.pdf

The University is situated at Schottentor U-Bahn (U2) or walkable from the hotel you are staying in.

From the Hotel Pension Museum it is a 15 minute walk or you can take the U-Bahn from Volkstheater (U2) to Schottentor (U2).

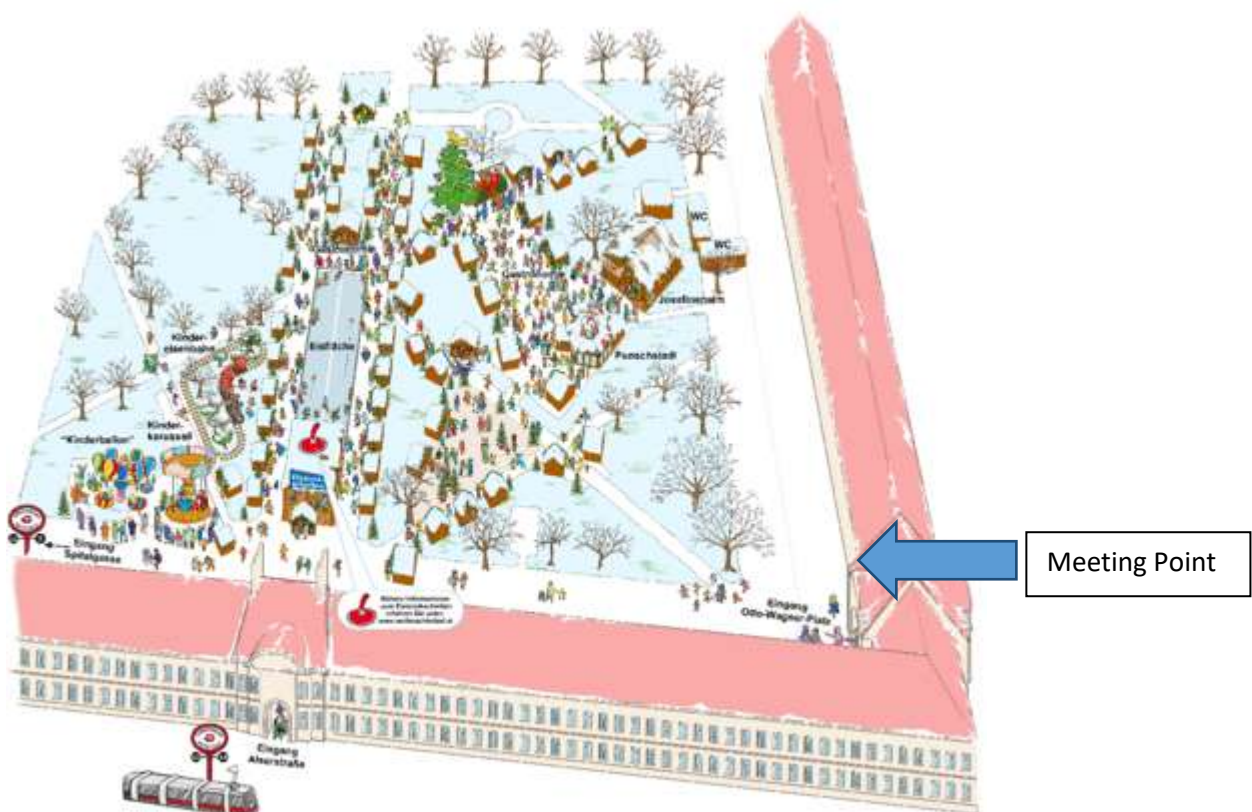


Social Events

Sunday 27th November

18:30 -22:00 Christmas Market and Dinner

We will meet at 18:30 at the Altes AKH Christmas Market and have a mulled wine, followed by dinner at Stiegl Ambulanz next to the market. We will meet inside the courtyard at the entry from Otto-Wagner-Platz.



Please see our map below for the location. It is ten minutes' walk from most of the hotels. Alternatively you can catch the 43 and 44 trams from Schottentor to Langegasse (2 stations).

Monday 28th November

After the meeting on Monday 28th November, a shuttle bus will bring participants to the Austrian wine tavern Kierlinger: <http://www.kierlinger.at/>. The Heurige is located at Kahlenbergerstraße 20, 1190 Vienna. The tram D (which is 6 minutes walk from the Heurige) will take you directly back to Schottentor (stop Nußdorf, Beethovengang, Alfred-Adler-Straße).

Tuesday 29th November

A tour of the University has been organised for 3pm on Tuesday 29th November. Amy Radlberger will take you to the meeting point at the main entry of the University.

Sightseeing

Vienna is famous for its Christmas Markets and there are plenty to choose from. We have outlined several popular ones on the map close to your hotel: Rathausplatz, Spittelberg, and the Uni Campus/Altes AKH markets are all traditional Christmas Markets serving food, hot drinks and selling Christmas gifts. The market at Rathausplatz is the largest (and attracts the most tourists).

Stephansdom (St Stephen's Cathedral) is Vienna's cathedral and building started on the site in the 12th century. The current Romanesque and Gothic form of the cathedral and its multi-coloured tile roof, makes it one of the city's most recognisable symbols.



Belvedere consists of two Baroque palaces (the Upper and Lower Belvedere), the Orangery, and the Palace Stables, and built in the 18th century as the summer home of Prince Eugene, during the time that Vienna was both the imperial capital and home to the Habsburg Dynasty. It hosts the world's largest collection of Klimt. There is also a Christmas Market here.



Schönbrunn is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, consisting of the palace and gardens. It also includes the oldest recorded zoo in the world. Though the site dates back to the 14th century, the palace we see today was commissioned by Emperor Leopold I at the end of the 17th century. There is also a Christmas Market here.



Museumsquartier (MQ) is home to a number of museums and galleries including the Leopold Museum and the Museum of Modern Art (museum moderner kunst stiftung ludwig wien – mumok). The MQ courtyards and passages contain exhibition spaces, restaurants and cafes.



Other Things to Do

Shopping: head to Mariahilferstraße for an array of clothing and department stores. Exit the U-Bahn at Zieglergasse or Neubaugasse (both U3) or Museumsquartier (U2).

Opera: there are a number of venues which host operas and ballets in Vienna. The State Opera <http://www.wiener-staatsoper.at> is the grandest and most well-known, but the Vienna People's Opera (Volksooper) <https://www.volksooper.at/> also hosts operatic performances.

Thermal Baths: Vienna's thermal baths with both outside and indoor bathing areas can be found on the outskirts of Vienna and also includes an extensive sauna area. To get there, take the U1 (red line) to Reumannplatz and change to Bus 68B for THERME WIEN <http://www.thermewien.at/informationen/english>

A comprehensive programme of what is going on Vienna in November can be found here:
<https://www.wien.info/media/files/programm-november-2016.pdf>

Restaurants

Below are a few recommendations for excellent Austrian cuisine whilst in Vienna:

Figlmüller, Wollzeile 5, 1010 – head here for the best schnitzel in Vienna.

Motto am Fluss, Franz-Josefs-Kai 2, 1010 – modern, global cuisine in a boat-like building with canal views.

Glacis Beisl, Breite Gasse 4, 1070 – stylish venue serving classic and innovative Viennese cuisine.

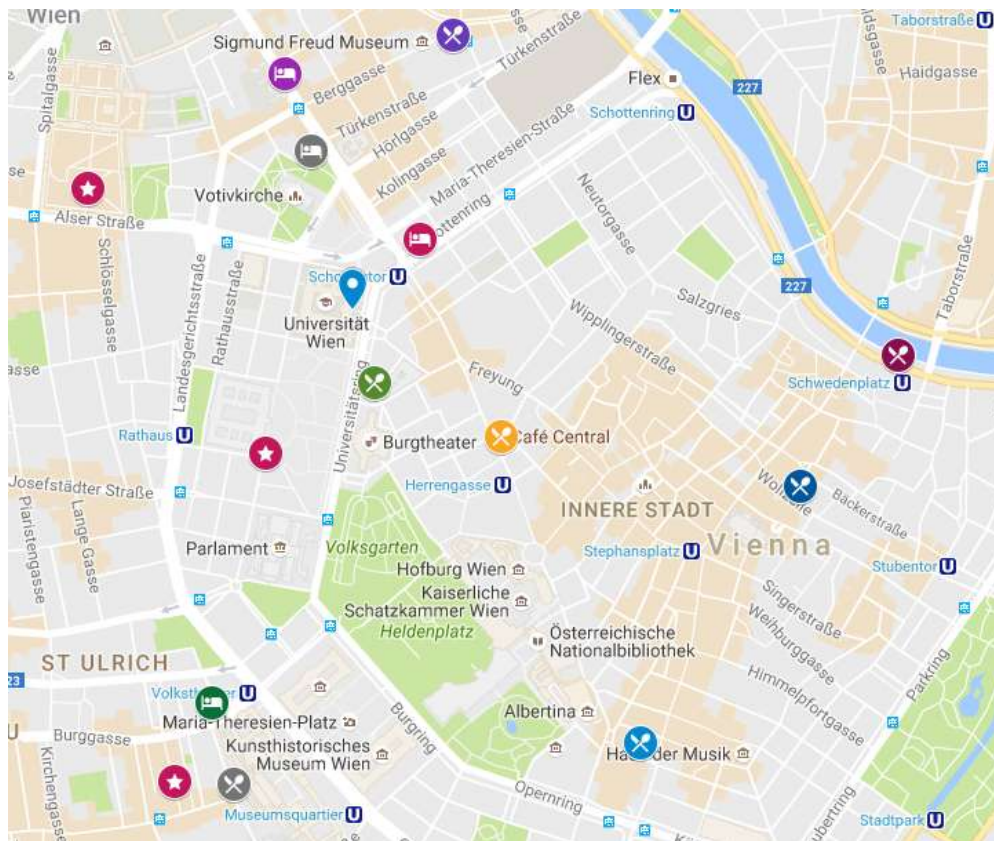
Café Landtmann, Universitätsring 4, 1010 – classic Viennese café-restaurant opposite the University's main building.

Hotel Sacher, Philharmoniker Straße 4, 1010 – home of the world-famous Sacher-Torte.

Cafe Central, Herrengasse 14, 1010 – perhaps the most famous venue to experience Vienna's coffeehouse culture.

Zwölf Apostelkeller, Sonnenfelsgasse 3, 1010 – old, traditional cellar restaurant serving traditional Viennese food.

Gasthaus Rebhuhn, Berggasse 24, 1090 – traditional Austrian restaurant.



Selection of Christmas Markets

- ★ Rathausplatz
- ★ Spittelberg
- ★ Uni Campus / Altes AKH

Restaurants

- ✂ Café & Restaurant Motto am Fluss
- ✂ Café Central
- ✂ Café Landtmann
- ✂ Figlmüller Wollzeile
- ✂ Gasthaus Rebhuhn
- ✂ Glacis Beisl
- ✂ Hotel Sacher Wien

Vienna facts

Average temperatures in November can range from 2°C (36°F) and 7°C (45°F)

Time zone: Central European Time (GMT + 01:00)

Currency: Euros

Austria dialling code: +43

Emergency phone numbers:

Police (Polizei): 122

Fire Brigade (Feuerwehr): 133

Ambulance (Rettung): 144

Out of hours pharmacies: <http://www.nachtapotheke.wien/> (just enter your district (PLZ) where you are staying, normally 1010 and click on 'Nachtapotheken finden')

Hosting Institutions

University of Vienna

Website: <https://www.univie.ac.at/en/>

The University of Vienna was founded in 1365. It is the oldest university in the German-speaking world and one of the largest in Central Europe. It is associated with 15 Nobel prize winners and 38 ERC grantees. It has also been the academic home of a large number of figures both of historical and academic importance. It also hosts Austria's largest libraries.

Currently, about 94,000 students are enrolled at the University of Vienna. They can select from 175 degree programmes, including 56 bachelor's programmes, 2 diploma programmes and 104 master's, PhD and doctoral programmes. With 9,600 employees, over 70% (6,800) of which are academics, the University of Vienna is the largest teaching and research institution in Austria.

The University of Vienna is subdivided into 15 faculties and four centres across a wide range of disciplines. Faculties are responsible for research and teaching, while centres fulfil specific tasks for the University or predominantly serve either as research or as teaching bodies.

An important vision of the University of Vienna is to maintain and develop its excellence in interdisciplinary research. In support of this, 16 multi-faculty Research Platforms were established in 2008, promoting new and innovative fields of research, and establishing new networks between subjects. There are currently 22 research platforms <https://www.univie.ac.at/en/research/organisation-of-research/research-platforms/> and additionally the University has established three research networks in subject areas that are relevant for society and create a 'critical mass', namely 'Gender and Agency', 'Environment' and 'Chemistry meets Microbiology'. The underlying goal of the platforms and the networks is the promotion of innovative, interdisciplinary research projects.

The University of Vienna has extensive experience in managing externally funded projects. As a successful participant in the European Commission's Research Framework Programme 7 (FP7), the University took part in approximately 180 FP7 projects as well as in numerous ERASMUS and Lifelong Learning Programmes. To date, the University of Vienna has been involved in over 55 Horizon 2020 projects of which are 12 ERC projects, 7 MSCA-ITNs and 20 MSCA-IFs. EU and Austrian national funds supply more than €80 million of funding to projects at the university each year.

Institute of Science and Technology Austria (IST Austria)

Website: <https://ist.ac.at/>

The Institute of Science and Technology Austria (IST Austria) is a multidisciplinary research institution dedicated to basic research in the natural, computer and mathematical sciences. The Institute is located in the city of Klosterneuburg, 18 km from the centre of Vienna. As a PhD granting institution, the graduate school at IST Austria educates doctoral students from diverse and international backgrounds with the aim of cultivating world-class research scientists.

IST Austria was established jointly by the federal government of Austria and the provincial government of Lower Austria and inaugurated in 2009. Currently, a total of 543 employees from over 50 countries work at IST Austria. At present, the faculty of the institute consists of 40 professors.

To foster a creative and interdisciplinary scientific atmosphere, separating organizational structures, such as departments, are avoided at IST Austria. The scientists are organized into independent research groups, each headed by a Professor or a tenure-track Assistant Professor. The decision to promote an Assistant Professor to Professor with a permanent contract is based entirely on an evaluation of the scientific achievements of the Assistant Professor by international experts. Research excellence and promise are the exclusive hiring criteria for all scientists at IST Austria - from doctoral students to professors. The Institute chooses which fields of science to enter based solely on the availability of outstanding individuals. It will pursue a direction of research only if it can compete with the best in the world.

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