

Travel Information



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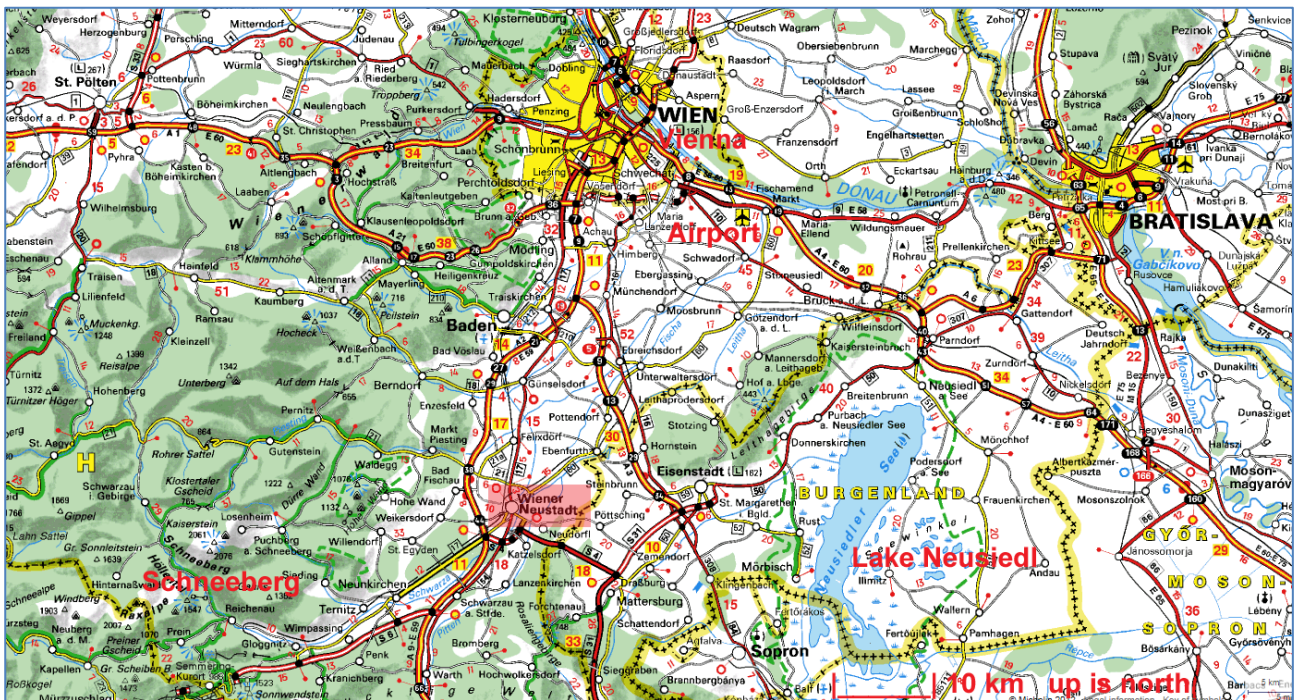
Wiener Neustadt, Austria
14 – 18 September 2015

We herewith offer travel tips and detailed information about the conference venue. Updated information you can find on our ECSS website www.ecss.eu.

How to reach Wiener Neustadt (a town 50 km south of Vienna, Austria):

By plane and train

The closest airport is **Vienna International Airport** (VIE, Flughafen Wien Schwechat):
<http://www.viennaairport.com/en/passengers>



Overview map Vienna Metropolitan Region

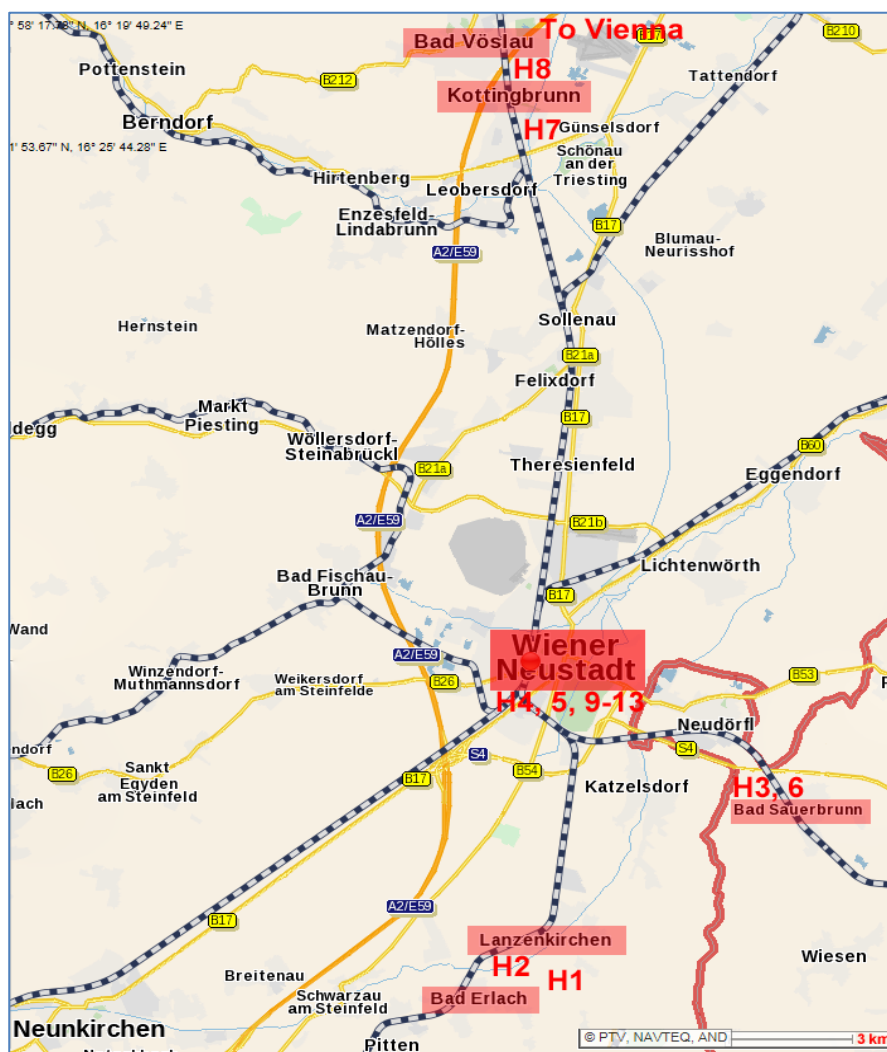
From there you can take trains and/or buses to Wiener Neustadt. The name of the train station is “Wiener Neustadt Hauptbahnhof” or sometimes abbreviated “Wr. Neustadt Hbf”. Coming from the airport you have to change trains once in Vienna. To retrieve your personal train schedule from the ÖBB webpage, please enter “Flughafen Wien” (FROM) and “Wiener Neustadt Hauptbahnhof” (TO) into the form linked here:

<http://www.oebb.at/en/index.jsp>

Please choose a connection with only one change and make sure to take fast trains. Your total travel time from the Airport to Wiener Neustadt main train station should not be much longer than one hour during most of the day.

To Wiener Neustadt **direct trains** are running for example from Zagreb, Ljubljana, Prague, Venice, Bologna, Florence, Rome, with very frequent connections to Vienna (with fast trains in about 30 minutes).

Hotel Corvinus is reachable within walking distance from the train station in Wiener Neustadt, Hotel Zentral can be reached by foot from the train station or by taxi.



Train tracks (black dashed lines) and major streets (colored lines) around Wiener Neustadt, selected hotels marked in red (Hx), up is north.

The **urban bus line G** brings you from the main train station to the hotels in the northern neighborhoods of Wiener Neustadt.

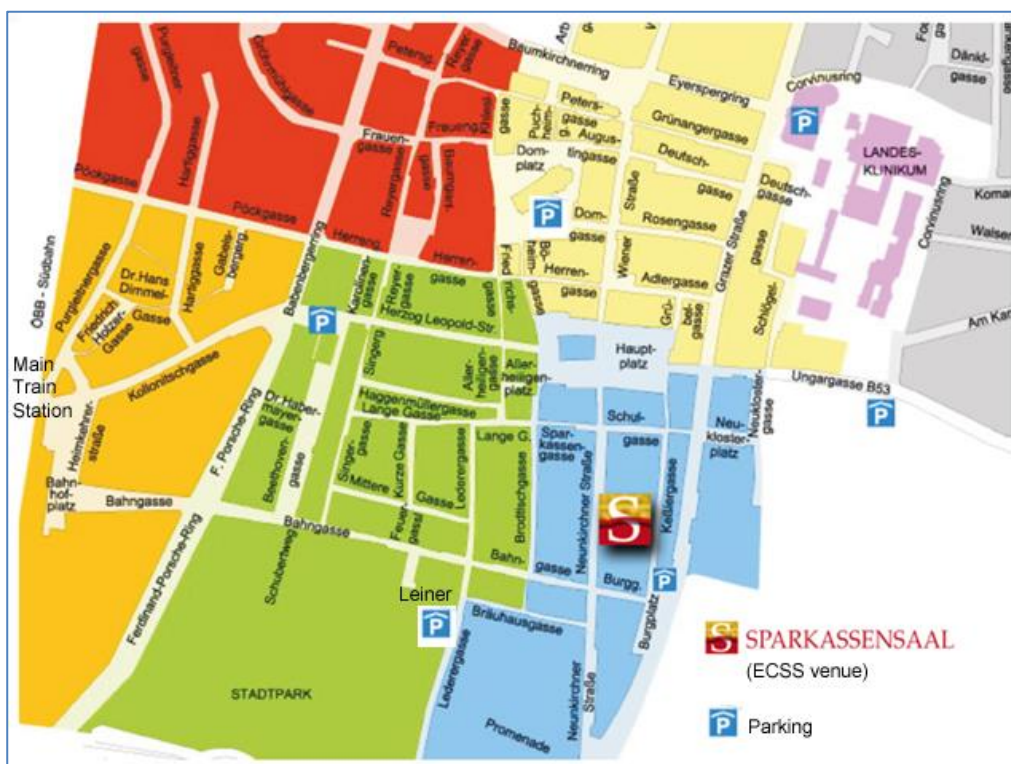
Taxis are available at Wiener Neustadt main train station and can also drive you to Hotel Linsberg Asia and Hotel Niederösterreichischer Hof and to all other hotels in Wiener Neustadt and surroundings.

By car

Take the motorway A2 from the North, West and South, and the motorway S4 from the East, the exit depends on your exact destination (ECSS venue or different hotels).

Parking near the ECSS venue:

The Sparkassensaal is situated in a pedestrian zone. The closest parking deck is the parking deck “Leiner” (enter “Wiener Neustadt, Lederergasse 24” in your navigation tool, this parking belongs to a furniture store, time limitations apply). Parking ground in the streets surrounding the old town is very limited, and parking time restrictions with parking fees apply. Please have a look at the map below for further parking decks:



Car Parking Map



City map of Wiener Neustadt (south-central parts of the town, up is north)

A map of all urban bus lines in Wiener Neustadt can be found here:

http://www.wnsks.at/images/Verkehrsbetrieb/Linienplan_2010.pdf

Timetable Line G:

<http://www.wnsks.at/images/Verkehrsbetrieb/Linie%20G.pdf>

Some sights of Wiener Neustadt

Wiener Neustadt has the right to call itself a city (Statutarstadt) because of its rich history (seat of emperors Friedrich III and Maximilian I in the 15th century, as well as bishops), being founded on bare ground in the year 1195 (Nova Civitas) for strategic reason.

The town was heavily destroyed during WW2, when only 18 houses remained undamaged. Many historic buildings have been renovated in the second half of the last century.

Nowadays the centre of the town (41.000 inhabitants) breathes a relaxed and young spirit, because of large pedestrian areas, a university of applied sciences (for business, engineering, health studies, sports and security) and many schools around.



Water Tower and Fort (“Burg”, the oldest military academy of the world, founded by Empress Maria Theresia in 1752, and still in use), also housing the St. Georges Cathedral (seat of the military bishop and tomb of emperor Maximilian I)

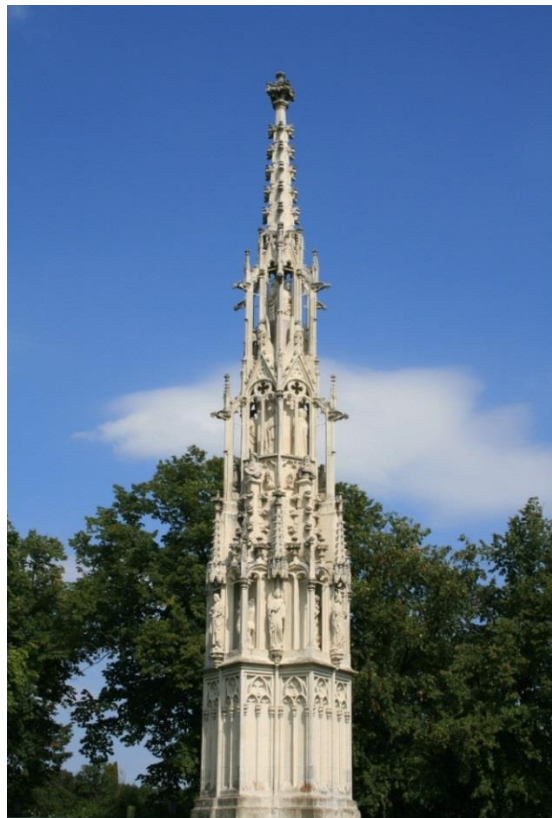
Good to know: The large Akademienpark (Academy Park) southeast of the military academy is an excellent sports and jogging area!



Hauptplatz (main square) with market
(small daily market Mon-Fri from 7-13 h, bigger weekly market Wed and Sat from 7-13 h)



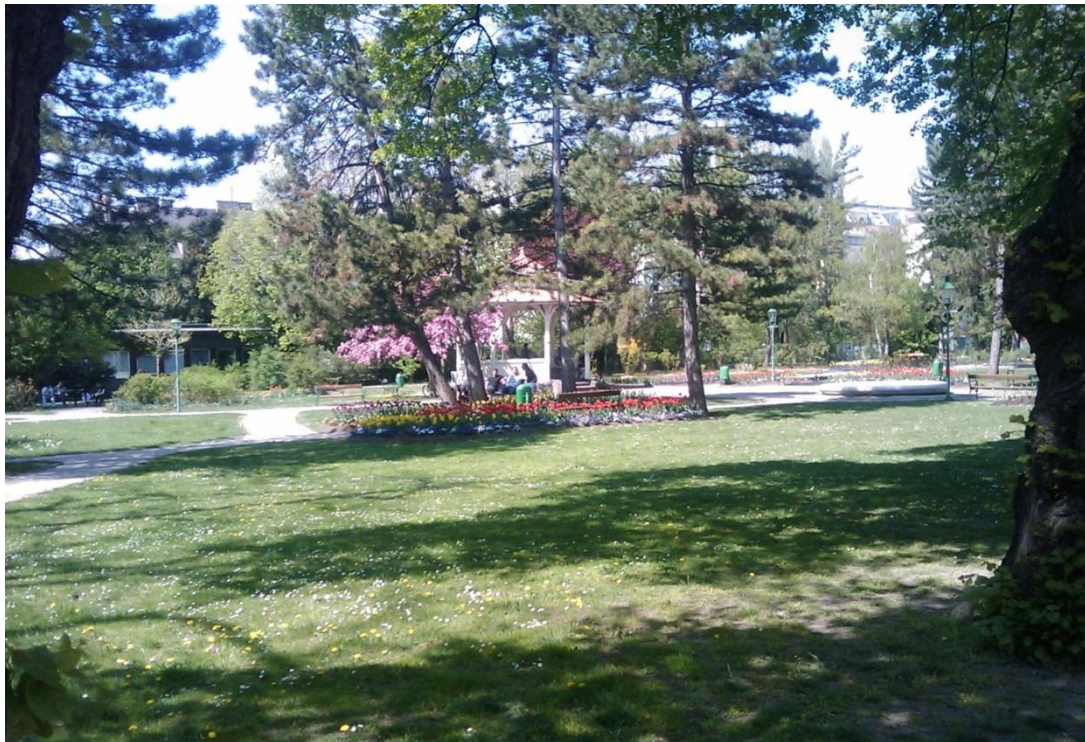
Hauptplatz at Herzog Leopold Straße with street cafes and Cathedral ("Dom", in late Romanesque style) - view from Wiener Straße



Gothic memorial ("Spinnerin am Kreuz") in "Walther von der Vogelweide Park"



Tornado memorial (35 deaths in 1916) at the municipal cemetery



Municipal Park – “Stadtpark”
(5 minutes walking distance from the ECSS venue
and also from the ESSL Research and Training Centre)

**The venue of the ECSS is the baroque-style
“Sparkassensaal Wiener Neustadt” in the central
pedestrian zone.**

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For general questions regarding the conference, please contact the ECSS team at ecss@essl.org.