25th Seminar of Slavic Minorities in Europe
from 17 November – 20 November 2022 in Vienna/Beč, Austria

Organised by the FUEN in cooperation with the Croatian center for culture, education and politics (Hrvatski centar) and the Croatian Cultural Association (HKD)

Arrival: Thursday, 17 November 2022 till 17:00 (Austria Trend Hotel beim Theresianum)
Departure: Sunday, 20 November 2022 from 07:00

Registration:

At the end of this document you will find the registration link to the google-form that you shall fill in **by latest 24th October 2022.** You can register max. two persons (separately) from the same organisation.

Travel costs:

Prior to booking your travels, please make sure that you received a confirmation from the AGSM and that you have read and agreed to all the COVID-19 related conditions. Please keep in mind to choose the cheapest means of travel. In case you will arrive by other means than car, please inform us about your travel in advance. We can reimburse up to 250€ for plane/train travels. For travels by car we can reimburse 0,20€/Km up to maximum 150,00€ (plus toll).

If you wish to receive your travel costs reimbursed, you should fill in the excel sheet that was sent together with this information and send it to agsm@fuen.org prior to the seminar.

In order to receive the reimbursement, participants must participate in the complete programme of the seminar. No Taxi or 1st Class/Business tickets will be reimbursed by the FUEN!

Travel:

If you arrive by train / bus / plane, please inform us of your journey and the exact time of arrival / departure. The nearest airport is Vienna (VIE), which is very well connected with most European destinations. The FUEN does not organise shuttles from/to the airport, but we will try to support you with the organisation and planning.

BY TRAIN:

Travel to Vienna main railway station (Wien Hauptbahnhof) and from there you can walk to Hotel (750m, 9minutes).
Follow the Google Maps for more Information.

BY PLANE to Vienna (VIE) Airport:

From VIE you can use the S-Bahn, RJX Train or REX7 to Wien Hauptbahnhof, from there you can walk to Hotel.
Follow the Google Maps LINK for more Information.

Accommodation:

During the seminar we will stay in Austria Trend Hotel beim Theresianum. There will be single rooms booked for each participant (unless you specify that you want a double room). The costs of the Hotel accommodation and the meals for the members will be covered by FUEN.

All Hotel bookings are made by AGSM, so please do not contact the Hotel separately with your issues!

Hotel Austria Trend Hotel beim Theresianum
Favoritenstraße 52,
1040 Wien, Österreich
https://www.austria-trend.at/de/hotels/theresianum

If you have any further questions, please contact AGSM Coordinator Matic Germovšek Ž. via Email agsm@fuen.org or Telephone (+49) 163-157-0219.

COVID-19 related information for AGSM Seminar 2022 participation

Please note that the participants of the AGSM Seminar 2022 are required to follow the current COVID-19 regulations that apply for Austria and their country of departure.

Currently there are no travel-restrictions for Austria! (but this can change till the Seminar)
Under this Link you can find the latest entry regulations for Austria:
Please read carefully the entry regulations of Austria (link).
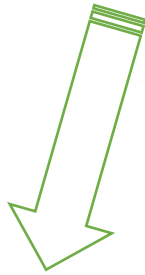
HYGIENE RULES AT THE EVENT
All participants will be handed out a hygiene concept before the seminar, which must be observed by the participants on site.

-Draft Seminar Programme-

Thursday, 17 November 2022

Till 17:00   Arrival Austria Trend Hotel beim Theresianum

18:30 - 20:00   Opening of the Seminar by AGSM Spokesperson Angelika Mlinar and the host organisations Hrvatski Centar and HKD

From 20:00   Dinner and cultural programme with multilingual music group "Idemo"

Friday, 18 November 2022

07:30 - 09:00   Breakfast

09:00   Walk to the venue of Seminar

10:00   **Seminar Part 1 -** Meeting with the members of the Austrian Parliament, spokespersons for ethnic groups and national minorities from all parties are invited
Main topics:
The new minority-law in Austria; the promotion of ethnic groups; the political representation and structures of minority groups as well as the schools and educational system of the ethnic groups

13:00   Lunch

14:30   Bus transfer to Burgenland

15:30 -18:00   Visit of the border region (Burgenland-Slovakia-Hungary)
Main topics:
Multilingualism at the community level (in administration, schools, public, sports, tourism, multilingual town signs, etc.) on both sides of the border + cultural association KUGA and presentation by experts

19:00	Dinner and Cultural Programme
22:00	Bus transfer to Vienna

Saturday, 19.11.2022

Till 08:45	Frühstück
09:30	**Seminar part 2: Minorities in a metropole** - Minority groups outside of their settlement area, urban areas and minority rights? Language preservation and education (e.g. experts from the Komensky School in Vienna, representatives of the media "Novi Glas" and "Hrvatske Novine" etc.) - Introductory speeches by decision-makers and experts: e.g. Christoph Wiederkehr, Deputy Mayor, City Councilor for Education, Youth, Integration, Transparency - Discussion afterwards
11:00	Coffee Break
11:15	**Seminar part 3** : Reports on the current situation of the Slavic minorities and discussion
13:00	Lunch
14:30	**Seminar part 4**: Activities of the AGSM since the last seminar (new language versions of the brochure, activities, public presence) -Report from FUEN Congress 2022 -Discussion about the Slavic representation in the new FUEN-Presidium -Election of the AGSM Spokesperson -Future activities of AGSM
16:00	Evaluation of the seminar
18:30	Dinner
20:00	"Metron Prize" of Croatian Center awarded posthumously to Molise-Croat Antonio Sammartino. This is followed by culture contributions; Literature from Molise and Burgenland

Sunday, 20.11.2022

From 07:30	Breakfast and individual departures

END OF THE PROGRAMME