

**GLOBAL CRYOSPHERE WATCH (GCW)  
CryoNet Implementation Meeting  
First Session**

VIENNA, AUSTRIA  
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**INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS**

**A. PLACE OF THE MEETING**

*Opening date and place of the session*

The First Session of GCW CryoNet Implementation will be held at the Zentralanstalt für Meteorologie und Geodynamik (ZAMG, the Austrian Weather Service), Hohe Warte 38, A-1190 Vienna, Austria.

<http://goo.gl/maps/J8S1s>

The session will begin on 20 November 2012, at 9:30 in “Vortragssaal (Julius Hann Haus). Follow the signs from the entrance to find the right meeting-room. For security reasons ZAMG buildings are locked and you have to register at the **ZAMG information office** in order to come in.

**English will be the language used at the meeting and for all documents.**

*Focal points for the meeting*

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**B. TRAVEL INFORMATION**

*Languages, Currency and Credit Cards*

The official language spoken in Austria is German. English is spoken at hotels, many restaurants, and shops and at ZAMG.

The currency is the Euro (EUR). Most hotels, restaurants and shops accept internationally valid credit cards. Some restaurants accept cash only, so please check when entering the restaurant. Currency exchange and ATM's are available at the airport.

*Time Zone*

Austria follows Central European Time, which is Universal Coordinated Time (UTC) + 1, during the period of the meeting.

*Electricity*

The electricity voltage is 220V 50 Hz. Plugs/outlets are 2-prong as used in many other European countries.

*Shopping*

Shops are usually open on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 0900 to 1900; on Thursdays from 0900 to 2100; on Fridays from 0900 to 1930 and on Saturdays from 0900 to 1800. Shops are closed on Sundays.

**C. ARRIVAL AT VIENNA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (SCHWECHAT)**

The airport is located about 20 km from Vienna. The city centre is easily reached by train or by bus.

Vienna International Airport (Schwechat) ([www.viennaairport.com](http://www.viennaairport.com))

Transport between Vienna Airport and City Center of Vienna:

*Train (S-Bahn)*

The cheapest way from the Vienna Airport to Vienna is to take the S7 train to the station "**Wien Mitte**" at EUR 4,40. A 2 zone ticket is necessary (valid till you arrive at your final destination in Vienna). The trains leave half-hourly, taking 25 minutes. In addition, a ticket for the underground/tram has to be purchased to reach the recommended hotel or ZAMG.

*Train (CAT= City Airport Train [www.cityairporttrain.com](http://www.cityairporttrain.com))*

As an alternative to the S-Bahn, there is a non-stop train (CAT), also running half-hourly, to "**Wien Mitte**", taking 16 minutes at a cost of EUR 11,- (with return ticket EUR 17,-). In addition, a ticket for the underground/tram will have to be purchased to reach the recommended hotel or ZAMG.

*Bus (Airport Bus)*

The airport bus starts in front of the arrivals hall of the Vienna Airport. You can take the bus either to Westbahnhof, Wien-Meidling or Schwedenplatz. Tickets can be purchased in the bus. Ticket price is EUR 8,-. If you wish to continue your way to the ZAMG or a Hotel near the ZAMG, we suggest taking the bus to "Schwedenplatz". A Ticket for the underground/tram will have to be purchased in addition to reach the recommended hotel or ZAMG.

*Taxi*

There is a very good taxi service from the airport. The airport is situated approximately 20 km from the Centre of Vienna. However, taxis are expensive, so bus or train is recommended.

Tourist information and **tickets** can be obtained at the **information counter in the Arrivals hall** of the airport, after the leaving customs control. Tickets can also be purchased from the machines located at bus or train station stops (Euro change required).

**D. YOU ARE URGED TO BOOK YOUR **HOTEL** AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AS THERE ARE MANY MEETINGS IN VIENNA DURING THIS PERIOD.**

We recommend:

Hotel Kaiser Franz Joseph\*\*\*\*

Address: Sieveringer Straße 4, 1190 Wien

Tel: +43 (0)1-32900-0

Fax: +43 (0)1-3207355

<http://www.deraghotels.de/hotels-wien/hotel-kaiser-franz-joseph-wien.html>

The Hotel Kaiser Franz Joseph offers a special price for visitors of ZAMG. **Please mention ZAMG if you are booking at this hotel in order to get the reduction.** ZAMG-Rate:

Economy Single room € 77,- or Business Single room EUR 81,-

Economy Double room € 96,- or Business Double room EUR 101,-

Prices are including breakfast and 1 hour/day free access to the internet.

**You can order per email to [reservierung.kfj@derag.de](mailto:reservierung.kfj@derag.de) referencing "ZAMG" or you can make reservation on the website using booking code DDZAMGHOWA . We made optional pre-booking for 30 rooms until 20. October 2012.**

A more complete list of hotels, which can also be searched by category, is to be found on the homepage of the Vienna Tourist Information <http://www.wien.info/en/hotels/>.

**Please check with your hotel on the easiest and cheapest way to reach the hotel from the airport or train station.**

Plan and City Guide may be accessed at <http://www.wien.gv.at/stadtplan/en/>

Information on Austria may be accessed at: <http://www.wien.info>.

**E. TRANSPORTATION/HOTELS/USEFUL INFORMATION**

*Information on the Vienna Transit System (fares, timetables, routes etc.) may be found at <http://www.wien.gv.at/english/transportation-urbanplanning/public-transport/>*

***From "Wien Mitte" to Hotel Kaiser Franz Joseph***

At "**Wien Mitte**" take the underground **U4** in direction "**Heiligenstadt**".

Leave **U4** at the station "**Heiligenstadt**" (final stop) and change to the **bus 39A** in direction "**Sievering**". The bus stops in front of the Hotel Kaiser Franz Joseph (Busstop "**Friedlgasse**").

***From "Wien Mitte" to the ZAMG***

At "**Wien Mitte**" take the underground **U4** direction "**Heiligenstadt**", but leave at "**Spittelau**".

Take the **underground U6**, direction "**Siebenbrunn/Alt Erlaa**", and leave at the next stop "**Nußdorfer Straße**"; change to the **tramway 37** in direction "**Hohe Warte**" and leave at the stop "**Perntergasse**". The Tram stops just in front of the ZAMG entrance.

## From **Hotel Franz Joseph** to the **ZAMG**

We recommend walking from the **Hotel Franz Joseph** to the **ZAMG** which should take you approximately 20 minutes.

