

Logistical Notes



INTERNET 2013

Shaping policies to advance media freedom



As the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media, I warmly welcome you to our first large scale conference on Internet Freedom from 14 – 15 February 2013, whether it may be in Vienna, or online - via web stream or social media.

The discussion on freedom of expression and freedom of the media on the Internet has become increasingly complex throughout the last decade as the media landscape changes rapidly. New policies are needed to meet new challenges and to ensure that new technology does not impede on the individual's right to freedom of expression.

Internet 2013 will be an international conference for key policymakers and experts coming together from across the OSCE region. Approximately 250 participants will attend, including representatives from governments, media, academia, industry, civil society as well as legislators and policymakers dealing with online media policies and Internet regulation.

Freedom of the Internet does not come by design – it is the result of educated regulatory and governance decisions. Let us look into these matters and propose solid recommendations that will nurture a prosperous free online media in the coming days!

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Travel

The Office of the RFoM will arrange flights and train tickets for panelists only.

Participants should take of their travel arrangements themselves. Once landed at the Vienna International Airport, the city center can be reached by bus, taxi, train or the city airport train (CAT).

Taxi

Airport taxis can be ordered online or upon arrival at the airport. Prices from the airport to the center should not exceed 33 Euros.

Airport Driver: www.airportdriver.at , phone: +43-1-22822

RedCab: <http://red-cab.at> , phone: +43 1 7007 33 141

C&K Airportservice: www.cundk.at , +43-1-44444

CAT (City Airport Train)

The CAT takes 16 minutes nonstop to get from the airport to the city center.

The CAT operates daily from 05.36 a.m. to 23.36 p.m. The City Air Terminal is located at "Wien Mitte" station, which can be reached easily by tram, underground, bus or taxi. The price of a single CAT ticket is 11 Euros, a return ticket is 17 Euros. For more information, please visit: <http://www.cityairporttrain.com>

Bus

Vienna Airport Lines connects Vienna Airport with the main Vienna transport hubs.

Buses to the city center (Schwedenplatz) run 24 hours a day, journey time just 20 minutes.

The price for a one way trip is 8 Euros.

S-Bahn (Underground)

The Schnellbahn (S-Bahn) is a low-priced way of getting from Vienna to the airport and back. It takes 25 minutes to get from the airport to the center. A single ticket one way is 4 Euros (including travel on Vienna public transport). Ticket machines are on the platforms at the airport and at "Wien Mitte". Timetables are available under: www.oebb.at

Airport pick-up

Private pick-ups from the Vienna International Airport will be arranged for panelists only upon requests.

Accommodation

For participants we can recommend following hotels.

Please note that unfortunately, we will not be in the position to assist with any booking or inquiries.

Hotel de France****

Schottenring 3, 1010 Vienna

Phone: +43 1 313 68-0

E-mail: defrance@austria-hotels.at

www.hoteldefrance.at

Hotel Herrenhof*****

Herrengasse 10

1010 Wien

Phone: +43 1 53404

E-Mail: [reservation@herrenhof-](mailto:reservation@herrenhof-wien.steigenberger.at)

wien.steigenberger.at

www.herrenhof-wien.steigenberger.at

Hotel am Parkring Wien****

Parkring 12

1010 Wien

Phone: +43 1 51480

E-Mail: parkring@schick-hotels.com

www.schick-hotels.com

Fleming's Hotel****

Neubaugürtel 26-28, 1070 Wien

Phone: +43 1 227370

E-mail: wien@flemings-hotels.com

www.flemings-hotels.com

NH Hotels***

Airport, Belvedere, Mariahilferstrasse

Phone: +431260208110

E-mail: m.kral@nh-hotels.com

www.nh-hotels.com

Best Western Hotels***

Das Tigra

Tiefer Graben 14

1010 Wien

Phone: +43158838

E-Mail: info@hotel-tigra.at

www.hotel-tigra.at

Hotel Schweizerhof***

Bauernmarkt 22,

1010 Wien

+4315331931

E-mail: office@schweizerhof.at

www.schweizerhof.at

Pension Nossek & Co***

Graben 17

1010 Wien

Phone : +4315337041

E-Mail: reservation@pension-nossek.at

www.pension-nosek.at

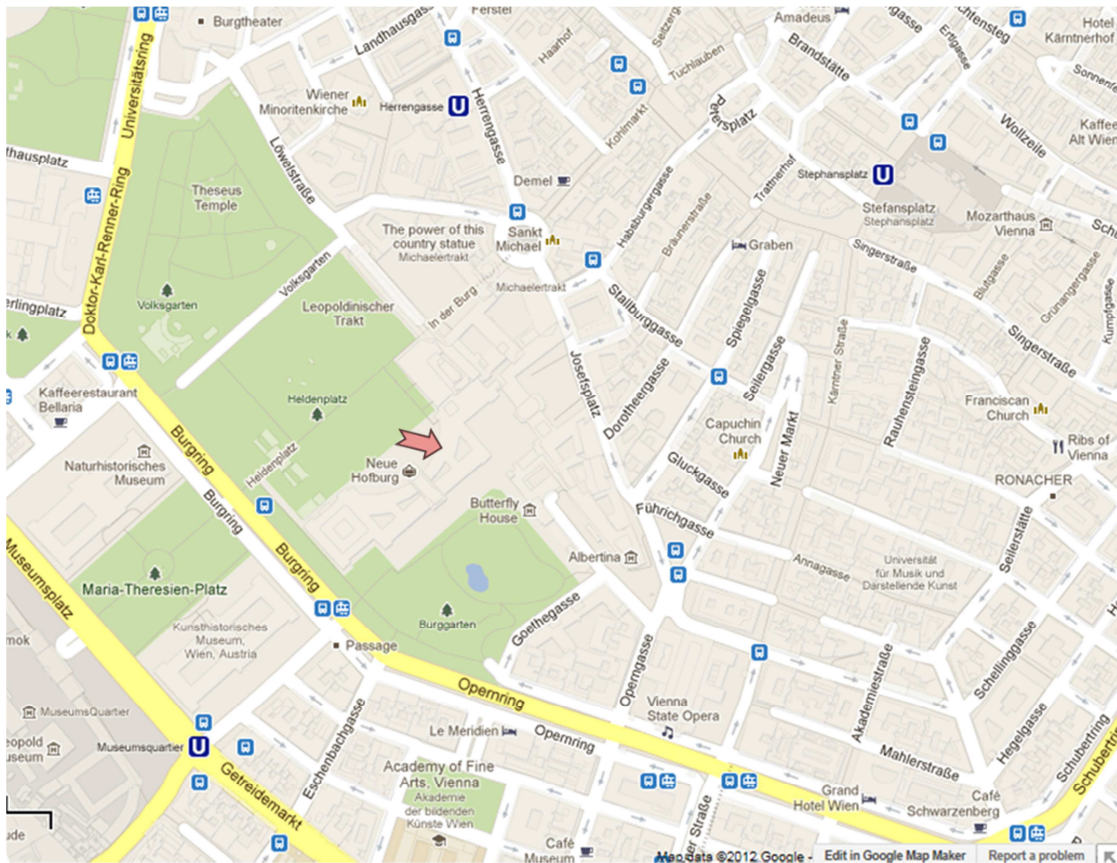
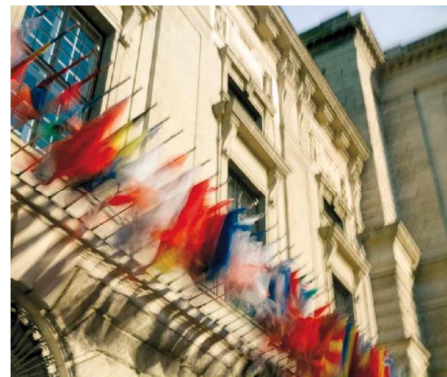
Getting to the conference venue

Hofburg

Heldenplatz

1010 Vienna

www.hofburg.com



Hofburg, Neuer Saal

The Opening Plenary Session on 14 February and the Plenary Session with Statements from the Delegations as well as the Closing Session on 15 February will take place in Neuer Saal.

The other sessions will take place in different rooms within the Hofburg. Respective rooms will be signposted.



Hofburg, Reception:

The welcoming event **Connect@Hofburg** on 13 February (starting 19.00) and the reception on 14 February (starting 17.30) will take place in the Wintergarten at the Hofburg.

