







Natura 2000 Networking Programme on behalf of the European Commission

Austrian Armed Forces

Federal Environment Agency Ltd. Natura 2000 Networking Programme managed in partnership by project partners EUROPARC Federation, Eurosite and European Landowners Organization (ELO)

International Workshop "Wildlife & Life Firing – Natura 2000 on Military Training Areas" Vienna 6th – 08th Nov. 2007

1st Announcement

On behalf of the Federal Environment Agency (UBA), Austria and the EUROPARC Federation I am pleased to invite you to the international Workshop "Wildlife & Life Firing- Natura 2000 on Military Training Areas", 6 - 8 November 2007 to Vienna, Austria. The Workshop is funded by the Natura Networking Programme (NNP) of the European Commission and will be supported by the Ministry of Defence, Austria.

The aim of the conference is the exchange of international experience regarding Natura 2000 and nature conservation management on military training areas as well as a collection of examples of good practice management on Natura 2000 sites. A field trip to the largest Austrian Military Training Area in Allentsteig (80 km north west of Vienna) will combine theory and practice illustrating the management of Natura 2000 sites. Benefits and problems will be addressed.

Conference venue:	Hotel MODUL, Peter-Jordan. Str. 78, A-1190 WIE	N
	(near University of "Bodenkultur")	www.hotelmodul.at
Conference Language:	German / English	
<u>Visa:</u>	No visa is required.	
Security classification:	All Workshop sessions as well as the field trip will b	be unclassified.
<u>Registration</u>	E-mail: NNP.militarysites@umweltbundesamt.at	
	or completion of "registration form" attached	

The Workshop is limited to 40 participants. Delegates are requested to register as soon as possible DEADLINE for registration: 15 October 2007

We look forward to welcoming you to Vienna in November 2007!

Wolfgang K.MATTES NNP Ambassador and Head of Dept. National Parks, Federal Environment Agency Ltd. Austria

Programme

Tuesday 6 N	lovember
18h00 –	Arrival at Hotel MODUL
20h00	

Wednesday 7 November		
08h00 -	Registration of Participants	
09h00		
09h00	Opening Wolfgang MATTES Environment Agency ,Vienna, Austria Gottfried HAUBENBERGER Forest Department City of VIENNA	
09h15 – 09h30	 Welcome speeches MajGen Christian SEGUR-CABANAC, Head of Joint Command and Control Staff, Austria Georg REBERNIG, CEO Environment Agency Ltd, Austria 	
	Eva PONGRATZ, Dir. EUROPARC Federation, Germany	
09h30	 NATURA 2000 & Military Training Areas Ladislav MIKO, European Commission, DG Environment, Brussels, Belgium (tbc) 	
10h00	Coffee break	
10h30	 Biodiversity in Austria Georg GRABHERR, Prof., University of Vienna, Austria (tbc) 	
11h00	 Ministers - Journalists- Photographers: The birth of a National Park on the former German Military Training Area HAINICH Uta HENSCHEL, Journalist, GEO Magazine, Hamburg, Germany Volker RÜHE, former Minister of Defence, Germany Thomas STEPHAN, Photographer, GEO Magazine, Hamburg, Germany 	
12h00	The LIFE Project DANAH - Natura 2000 in Belgium LtCol Johan LAIRE, Belgium	
12h30	The German experience with Natura 2000 sites on Military Training AreasWilfried GROOTEN MoD, Germany	
13h00- 14h30	Lunch	
14h30	 Nature Conservation and Natura 2000 in Switzerland Nadja KEISER-BERWERT Environmental Protection Training Centre, Switzerland 	
15h00	 The British Army and Natura 2000 Col James POLLOCK Director Defence Training Estate, United Kingdom (tbc) 	
15h30 – 16h00	Coffee break	
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16h00	 Requirements of the Army on Military Training Areas BrigGen Leopold CERMAK, Commander MTA-A, Austria 	
16h30	 Potential sources of financial support Gerhard SIGMUND, Fed. Mo Agriculture, Forestry, Environment and Water Management, Austria 	
from 18h00	Dinner at typical Viennese Heuriger / NUßDORF	

Thursday 8 November			
Combining theory and practice:			
	Field Trip to the Military Training Area Allentsteig 'MTA-A'		
08h15	Departure from Hotel Modul, Vienna, by coach		
10h15	Arrival at the MTA-A, Palace of ALLENTSTEIG (VW hall)		
10h30	Welcome and Briefing		
	BrigGen Leopold CERMAK, Commander MTA-A		
10h45	 Environmental Policy and Nature Conservation Enforcement of the MoD in Austria Roland OBERSCHMIDLEITNER, MoD AT 		
11h15	Natura 2000 and conservation at the MTA -A DiplIng Arno Haslacher, MTA-A 		
11h45	Lunch at the officers' mess in the Palace of Allentsteig		
13h00	Site visit on the MTA-A by coach		
16h00	Departure to Vienna		
18h00	Arrival in Vienna		
	End of conference		

MajGen	Major General	
MoD	Ministry of Defence	
BrigGen	Brigadier General	
Col	Colonel	
LtCol	Lieutenant Colonel	
MTA -A	Military Training Area Allentsteig	



Conference venue: Hotel Modul, situated in the 19th District of Vienna near to the University of Life Sciences ("Bodenkultur"). Hotel MODUL ; A-1190 WIEN Peter-Jordan Strasse 78

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Hotel accommodation:

Participants are asked to arrange their own accommodation; 30 rooms (106 €/night) have been blocked for conference participants at the Hotel Kaiser Franz Josef Sieveringer Strasse 4, 1190 WIEN. (~15 minutes walk to Hotel Modul) Tel.: ++43 (0) 1/329 00-910 Fax: ++43 (0) 1/329 00-965 www.deraghotels.de/wien/franz.html EMail: kaiserfranzjoseph@deraghotels.de

Public transport (to Hotel Kaiser Franz Josef)

Tramway "Straßenbahnlinie" 38 (Stop "Sieveringer Straße"), or Rapid train railway "Schnellbahnlinie" S45 (Stop "Oberdöbling")



Field Trip

Field trip to Military Training Area ALLENTSTEIG in the Waldviertel north of Vienna (2 hrs drive by coach).

Meeting point: 8 November 2007, 08.00 hrs Hotel Modul.

Please ensure proper hiking boots and warm waterproof clothing. Arrival back in Vienna: ~ 18.00 hrs Hotel Modul

End of Conference

Organisation and information

All questions concerning the NNP Workshop , travel and/or accommodation should be addressed to: Email: <u>NNP.militarysites@umweltbundesamt.at</u>

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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE "WILDLIFE AND LIFE FIRING – NATURA 2000 ON MILITARY TRAINING AREAS" Vienna, Austria, 6-8 November 2007

REGISTRATION FORM

Please send this form by fax or E-Mail as soon as possible to:

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