

# SIP 2024 in Technical University, Vienna, Austria

### July 28 - August 1st, 2024

The 2024 International Congress on Invertebrate Pathology and Microbial Control and the 56th Annual Meeting of the Society for Invertebrate Pathology, will be held from July 28<sup>th</sup> to August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, at The Technical University in Vienna, Austria. The Technical University facilities are located in the city center of Vienna, close to most of the city's attractions.

Vienna, the capital of Austria, is located in the eastern part of the country along the Danube River. The city's rich artistic and intellectual heritage was shaped by notable residents such as Mozart, Beethoven, and Sigmund Freud. Vienna is renowned for its Imperial palaces, including Schönbrunn, the Habsburgs' summer residence. In the Museums Quartier district, historical and contemporary buildings house the

works of artists like Egon Schiele and Gustav Klimt. Vienna is served by Vienna International Airport, which is connected to the city center through various transportation options, including the City-Airport train (CAT), many ÖBB trains and buses, and taxis.



## Venue: The Technical University of Vienna

Our meeting will be held at the 'Campus Gusshaus' building, situated at the Vienna University of Technology Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Information Technology, located at Gusshausstraße



27-29, A-1040 Vienna. The 'Campus Gusshaus' building provides four lecture halls that can be used simultaneously for sessions. Coffee breaks and poster sessions will be hosted in the entrance area. Additionally, there is an outdoor area, a small garden, where participants can easily gather and interact.

Accommodations can be found in numerous nearby 1\* to 5\* hotels, conveniently accessible via Vienna's excellent transportation network, which includes subways, trains, trams, and buses. The organizers are in progress to make arrangements with local hotels. More information will be found on the meetings's Website which will come soon.

# **Excursion: The Schönbrunn Palace**

For our Tuesday excursion, we'll visit the historic Schönbrunn Palace, one of Vienna's iconic landmarks. While the palace is centrally located in the city, we'll provide transportation via bus to ensure that attendees arrive on time. Packed lunches will be provided during the journey. Participants will be divided into groups, and guided tours of the palace will be available. Additionally, the palace boasts a nearby zoo for those who wish to visit.



#### **BBQ:** The Brandauer Schlossbräu, Schönbrunn

After our visit to Schönbrunn Palace, we plan to stay nearby and attend a BBQ at the 'Brandauer Schlossbräu' brewery, where participants can savor traditional Austrian cuisine. Since both Schönbrunn



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#### **Banquet: The Arcotel Wimberger Hotel**

Finally, the Thursday banquet will be held at the Arcotel Wimberger Hotel in Vienna's city center. Originally constructed in 1871 for the Vienna

World's Fair, the Wimberger became the flagship hotel of the ARCOTEL family in 1994. The hotel is located at the entrance to Vienna's vibrant Neubau district. The grand building, featuring distinctive

glass corner windows, evokes the shape of ships docked at the Danube marina. The hotel offers easy access to the Stadthalle event center, the Mariahilfer Straße shopping mile is just around the corner, and the city center is a mere ten-minute walk away. The hotel is well-connected with various means of transportation and provides suitable facilities for the event.



The Local Organization Committee (LOC) consists of Adly Abdalla (IAEA) and Jörg Wennmann (JKI) (Chairs), Robert Mach (TU Vienna) and Johannes Jehle (JKI) (Vice-Chairs), and the scientific programme chairs Sarah Biganski (JKI) and Guler Demirbas-Uzel (TU Vienna).

This year's logo was inspired by the two important Austrian painters Gustav Klimt (1862-1981) and Friedensreich Hundertwasser (1982-2000), Vienna's Ferris Wheel and a butterfly symbolizing invertebrates. It was created entirely by artificial intelligence using Text-to-image software Dall-E (OpenAI) with the following command: "A logo in the colours of Gustav Klimt of the Vienna Giant Ferris Wheel in the style of a Hundertwasser house with a butterfly in its centre". We are planning a

Plenary session on Diseases in Mass-Reared Insect for Sterile Insect technique, division and crossdivision sponsored symposia and contributed paper and poster sessions.

Please check the meetings Web site www.sip2024vienna.com, which will be open for registration within the next couple of weeks, for further information.

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