

52ND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONTINENCE SOCIETY IN 2022 IN VIENNA

# INTRODUCTION



We cordially invite you to hold the 2022 ICS Annual meeting in Vienna. Apart from its history as important conference destination which dates back to the year 1815, the city is well-known among medical scientists as the city of Sigmund Freud, Theodor Billroth, Ernst Wertheim and so many others. Indeed, Austria, and Vienna in particular, have a long tradition of medical innovation and science.

Besides offering outstanding congress venues and ensuring the highest scientific quality, we shall make every effort to ensure that the 52nd ICS Annual Meeting will be a superb platform for networking between all interested parties, for learning and exchanging ideas, and for fostering the further growth of our multidisciplinary society.

Above all, we shall strive to attract young nurses, physiotherapists, urologists, gynaecologists, scientists, and experts from all over the world! The central position of Vienna makes it an outstanding global attraction. We are confident that every participant will have an unforgettable stay in Vienna, discovering the rich past and present of the city and its surroundings.

Vienna has repeatedly been selected as one of the top congress cities worldwide in recent years. It offers several excellent congress venues - two of them have submitted proposals to host the ICS meeting in 2022.

Please find enclosed several important documents, including a letter from the Mayor and Governor of Vienna, from the Executive City Councillor for Finance, Economic Affairs and Vienna Public Enterprises of the City of Vienna as well as two letters of intent from the projected Meeting-chairs. We have also attached information about projected local scientific chairs and the proposed names of members of the projected local organizing committee, reflecting the high standard of multidisciplinary research and care in the field of incontinence and pelvic floor disorders.

Last but not least, we have the pleasure to highlight, that our bid has the full support of the relevant local scientific societies, the Austrian Continence Society, the Austrian Society of Urology, the Austrian Society Obstetrics and Gynecology and the Austrian Society of Urogynaecology and Reconstructive Pelvic Surgery. We all share a strong motivation and the enthusiasm to bring ICS to Vienna and we look forward to a decision in our favour in order to host a meeting which would without doubt be a memorable event.

It would be a great pleasure and honour for us to welcome the 52nd ICS Annual Meeting in Vienna, Austria in 2022.



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## PROPOSED DATES

### AUSTRIA CENTER VIENNA:

6 - 9 September 2022 (1<sup>st</sup> option TUES-FRI); 23 - 26 August 2022 (2<sup>nd</sup> option TUES-FRI) *www.acv.at* 

#### MESSE WIEN EXHIBTION & CONGRESS CENTER:

13 - 16 October 2022 (1<sup>st</sup> option THUR-SUN); 11-14 SEPTEMBER 2022 (2<sup>nd</sup> option SUN-WED) *www.messecongress.at* 

## LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE

#### **MEETING CHAIR**

Heinz Kölbl, Urogynaecologist

#### HONORARY MEETING CHAIR

Helmut Madersbacher, Neurourologist

### LOCAL SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME CO-CHAIRS

Wilhelm Hübner, Urologist Nikolaus Veit-Rubin, Urogynaecologist

### LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE

Thomas Aigmüller, Urogynaecologist Lothar Fuith, Urogynaecologist Ingrid Geiss, Urogynaecologist Engelbert Hanzal, Urogynaecologist Hans-Christoph Klingler, Urologist Michaela Lechner, Colorectal surgeon Stephan Madersbacher, Urologist Michael Rutkowski, Urologist Sharokh Shariat, Urologist Karl Tamussino, Urogynaecologist

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## VENUES

#### AUSTRIA CENTER VIENNA www.acv.at

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- Total area: 42,000 m<sup>2</sup>, including 22,000 m<sup>2</sup> of exhibition space
- Capacity of largest room, theater-style seating: 4,320 people
- Well connected: 10 minutes to the city centre, 20 minutes to the airport
- 923 hotel rooms within a radius of 1,000 m

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- Total area: congress center 6,960 m<sup>2</sup>, exhibition halls 55,000 m<sup>2</sup>
- Capacity of largest room, theater-style seating: 1,422 people (congress center), 6,400 people (exhibition hall D)
- Well connected: 10 minutes to the city center, 25 minutes to the airport
- 1,220 hotel rooms within a radius of 1,000 m





## SOCIAL EVENT PROPOSALS

With its blend of imperial tradition and contemporary creativity, Vienna offers over 150 different event venues. Some examples for the chairman's reception, the welcome reception and the annual dinner:

Palais Liechtenstein: 50 - 380 pax banquet style in one room Hofburg Vienna: 40 - 2.000 pax banquet style on one floor Eventwolken: 50 - 170 pax banquet style in one room Palais Wertheim: 80 - 300 pax banquet style in one room Kursalon Wien: 180 - 700 pax banquet style on one floor Vienna City Hall: 120 - 840 pax banquet style in one room



An overview of **pre and post congress tours** can be found in the supporting documents.

## LOCAL SUPPORT

Vienna grants financial assistance to organisers of international association meetings from **November through to March** as well as in **July and August**. Taking into consideration that 2500 delegates are staying in Viennese hotels for 4 nights, the financial assistance for the 52nd Annual Meeting of the International Continence Society in 2022 in Vienna would range between  $\leq 28.000$  .-- and  $\leq 30.000$ .--.

For **further local support** please see the supporting documents.