5. European Congress for People with Special Needs





3. - 6. August 2011 Vienna / Austria



# LIVING THE ENCOUNTER

The European Congresses "Living in the encounter" are held for people with special needs. After Berlin, Dornach, Prague and The Hague, the fifth congress is taking place in Vienna, the capital city of Austria.

700 congress participants from all over the world are expected again for an extraordinary festival of encounters. In this city of music, with its special atmosphere, the coffee houses, horse-drawn carriages – in Vienna, they are called Fiaker – and magnificent buildings.

Diverse opportunities for encounters will be offered and the history of famous personalities can be traced. Let's search for traces...

## ALL ABOUT THE CONGRESS

An important person for humanity lived in Vienna: Rudolf Steiner.

His 150th birthday will be celebrated in the congress year. We intend to find out more about his life and legacy. This time, the theme of the congress, which was jointly found in a preparatory meeting with congress participants, is called "Searching for traces".

In lectures, in art, on excursions to the most beautiful sights in the city and in numerous workshops, we will search for traces together.

How can we contribute to the success of the congress?

• Birthday presents in the form of contributions for the cultural evening: Music, eurhythmy, theatre scenes, poems or reports, or something completely different. Each contribution must be notified to the organiser as soon as possible, so that a diverse evening programme can be put together.

 Bring along selected works of art for an art exhibition in the Convention Centre!

What would a congress in Vienna be without waltzes?
Therefore, bring along a dress for the lady and a white shirt for the gentleman, for the "Vienna Congress Ball".

### CONGRESS PROGRAM

	Wednesday 3. August	Thursday 4. August
9:00		warm up
9:15		lecture: searching for traces
10:30		pause
11:00	arrival	workshops
13:00	registration	lunch
14:30		excursions
16:00	press conference	
17:00	congress opening	
18:30 19:00	journey to accommodation	dinner
19:30	common dinner	cultural evening "birthday presents"

Additional details and information can be found at: www.in-der-begegnung-leben.eu

	Friday <b>5</b> . A <mark>ugust</mark>	Saturday <b>6</b> . August
9:00	warm <mark>up</mark>	warm up
9:15	presentation of: diverse traces of history	podium discussion on : finding traces of history
10:30	pause	pause
11:00	work <mark>shops</mark>	congress closing
13:00	lunch	lunch / packed lunches
14:30	excursions	departure
17:00	packed lunches	
18:30	evening wardrobe	
19:00	Wiener Ball "Dancing Congress " & evening buffet	Please return the enclosed, filled-out registration form to
		PLATO CONGRESS OFFICE

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## ORGANISATIONAL DETAILS

The congress will take place in the Convention Centre of Messe Wien and can be easily reached using public transport. There is a U2 subway station directly in front of the Convention Centre. Public transport tickets will be distributed at registration. Accommodation will be available in the Jugend-gästehaus Wien-Brigittenau and in the Academia Hotel in single-bed to 3-bed rooms. Whoever would like to stay longer in Vienna at their own expense can arrange this directly with the Jugendgästehaus. In addition to traditional Viennese cuisine, vegetarian meals are also offered. However, no alcohol is served.

net. The congress languages will be German and English. The groups from other countries will help themselves again with their own translation. Unfortunately, we have not been able to find sponsors for the congress so far, so that we must try to cover the costs ourselves this time. We request that all participants arrange fundraising themselves at home. If each participant can cover the event costs themselves, the congress will continue to be secured for the future. The real costs amount to €500 per person and include, as always, the entire congress participation, meals and accommodation. When registering, €250 will fall due as a deposit payment, the other half will be payable by 1 June 2011, if no sponsors have been found by then. We will make it possible for several interested parties from poorer countries to parti-

A list of the workshops and excursions will be listed in advance on the Inter-

Please register soon, as the congress will be fully booked with 700 registrations. We will put the registrations into order by receipt and will confirm after the deposit is received.

cipate at a reduced price. This must be requested upon registration.

The congress is held for people who live with special needs. Accompanying persons only make their participation possible. We request that this be taken into consideration when registering.

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#### Venue:

Kongresszentrum der Messe Wien Messeplatz 1

1020 Wien/Österreich

directions: http://www.messe.at/servicecenter/anreise\_wien.html

#### "THE CONGRESS IS DANCING" BALL

on 5 August 2011, 7:00 p.m. will take place in the Kursalon Hübner at the City Park Johannesgasse 33, A-1010 Vienna Travel together using the subway!

#### **Accomodations:**

JUGENDGAESTEHAUS WIEN - BRIGITTENAU

Friedrich-Engels-Platz 24, 1200 Wien Tel: +43 1 332 82 94-0 jgh.1200wien@chello.at

#### Hotel ACADEMIA

Pfeilgasse 3a, 1080 Wien Tel: +43 1 401 76 55 reservation@academiahotels.at www.academiahotels.at

#### Organiser

The congress will be held by the "Living in the encounter" project group, responsible: *Thomas Kraus/* Berlin, in cooperation with PlatO – the Platform for Therapeutic Organisations in Austria, responsible: *Ulrike Wenninger* and *Renate Chwatal/* Wien



#### Congress headquater

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#### Congress account

"Congress 2011"

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