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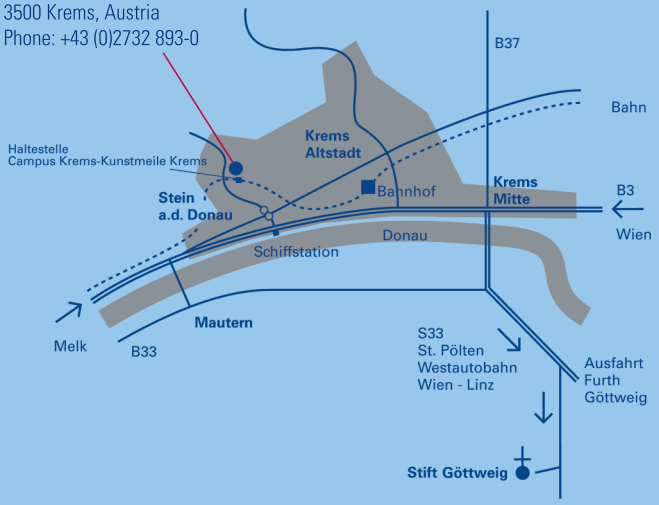

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Due to currently prevailing political, economic and social crises, the conference questions the EU Strategy for the Danube Region (EUSDR) as a possible way out. So, current challenges and problems as well as possible alternatives, solutions and action spaces will be discussed.

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Programme

8:00 Departure of the bus from Vienna to Krems

9:00 **Registration**

9:30 **Welcome addresses**
Mag. **Friedrich FAULHAMMER**, Rector of the Danube University Krems
Dr. **Erhard BUSEK**, Chairman of the Institute for the Danube Region and Central Europe (IDM), Vienna
Mag. **Barbara SCHWARZ**, Member of the Government of Lower Austria,
on behalf of Dr. Erwin PRÖLL, Governor of Lower Austria

Moderation of the conference
Mag. Dr. **Simon ORTNER**, General Secretariat ARGE Donauländer

10:00 **Keynote-Speech**
Michael RALPH, Adviser to the Deputy Director General for Implementation in the Directorate General for Regional and Urban Policy, European Commission, Brussels

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10:30 > **Panel 1**
Political, economic, ecological and social crises as current challenges in the Danube Region

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Mag. **Roland ARBTER**, coordination in area planning and regional policy, Austrian Federal Chancellery, Dep. IV/4, Vienna
Dr. **Dirk BUSCHLE**, Deputy Director of Energy Community, Vienna
Dr. **Caroline HORNSTEIN-TOMIĆ**, Senior Research Associate at the Institute for Social Sciences „Ivo Pilar", Zagreb
Jochen RESSEL, Editor in chief of the business magazine SENATE, Economic Senate, Vienna
Dipl.-Vwwt. **Sebastian RIHM**, M.A., Director of the Danube Office Ulm/Neu-Ulm
Mag. **Daniela URSCHITZ**, MA, DEA, Coordinator of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region for the Vienna City Administration, Executive Group for Construction and Technology, Vienna

Moderation
Josef KIRCHENGAST, Foreign Editor, DER STANDARD, Vienna

12:30-14:00 *Lunch break*

14:00 **Keynote-Speech**
Stefana GREAVU, Head of the Political Department, Regional Cooperation Council (RCC), Sarajevo

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14:30 > **Panel 2**
Possible ways out of the crisis. The potential of education, know-how and civil society initiatives

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Ing. Dr. **Stanislav FILIP**, PhD, Vice-Rector of the School of Economics and Management in Public Administration in Bratislava (VŠEMVS)
Veselka IVANOVA, MD, Team leader at the National Municipalities Association (NAMRB), Sofia
Univ.-Prof. Dr. **Monika KIL**, Vice-Rector for Academic Teaching/Scientific Continuing Education, Head of Department for Continuing Education Research and Educational Management, Danube University Krems
Dipl.-Vw. **Martin KNIEPERT**, Scientific Associate at the Institute for Sustainable Economic Development at the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences Vienna
Zvezdana KOVAĆ, Executive Director of the Center for Democracy and Reconciliation in Southeast Europe (CDRSEE), Thessaloniki
Dr. **Márton MÉHES**, Cultural manager, Former Director of Collegium Hungaricum Vienna

Moderation
Peter LANGER, General Coordinator of the Council of Danube Cities and Regions, Ulm

16:30 **Closing remarks**
Univ.-Prof. Dipl.-Ing. Dr. **Viktoria WEBER**, Vice-Rector for Research, Danube University Krems

16:45 **Get together**

17:30 Departure of the bus from Krems to Vienna