Media programme

Subsidiarity as a building principle of the European Union
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1. Media Events

Thursday 15 November 2018

10:00-20:00 Opening hours of the media centre and for media accreditation
(media accreditation closes at 18:00)

Venue: Bregenz Festival House (Festspielhaus Bregenz), Platz der Wiener Symphoniker 1, 6900 Bregenz (the accreditation desk is located to the right of the main entrance)

13:45 Press statements with

- Sebastian Kurz, Federal Chancellor
- Markus Wallner, Governor of Vorarlberg

Venue: Bregenz Festival House, Seefoyer
Language: German

14:00-14:30 Opening by

- Markus Wallner, Governor of Vorarlberg
- Sebastian Kurz, Federal Chancellor

Venue: Bregenz Festival House, Seestudio
Languages: German and English with simultaneous interpretation

The moderator of the entire event will be Nadja Bernhard.

19:30 Dinner organised by Markus Wallner, Governor of Vorarlberg

Venue: Bregenz Festival House, Great Hall (Großer Saal)
We would also like to inform you about another event taking place on the same day:

09:30-12:00  “Citizens’ dialogue on the future of Europe”

with statements by, amongst others, President of the Vorarlberg Provincial Parliament Harald Sonderegger, Federal Chancellor Sebastian Kurz and Governor Markus Wallner
Venue: Landhaus Bregenz, Römerstraße 15

Friday 16 November 2018

07:30-15:30 Opening hours of the media centre and for media accreditation
(media accreditation closes at 11:30)

09:30-10:00 Welcome to the political segment by Gernot Blümel, Federal Minister for the EU, Arts, Culture and Media

Keynote speech by Frans Timmermans, First Vice-President of the European Commission and Chairman of the Task Force on Subsidiarity, Proportionality and “Doing Less More Efficiently”

Video message from Mairead McGuinness, Vice-President of the European Parliament

Moderated interview with

- Frans Timmermans, First Vice-President of the European Commission and Chairman of the Task Force on Subsidiarity, Proportionality and “Doing Less More Efficiently”
- Melania-Gabriela Ciot, Romanian Secretary of State for European Affairs
- Karl-Heinz Lambertz, President of the European Committee of the Regions and member of the Task Force
- Markus Wallner, Governor of Vorarlberg

The moderator of the entire event will be Nadja Bernhard.
11:00 **Concluding statements** by Federal Minister Gernot Blümel

Venue: Bregenz Festival House, Seestudio
Languages: German and English with simultaneous interpretation

11:30 **PRESS CONFERENCE** with

- Frans Timmermans, Vice-President of the European Commission
- Gernot Blümel, Federal Minister for the EU, Arts, Culture and Media
- Markus Wallner, Governor of Vorarlberg

Venue: Media Centre, Bodensee hall
Languages: German and English with simultaneous interpretation

12:00 **Lunch** hosted by Gernot Blümel, Federal Minister for the EU, Arts, Culture and Media

Venue: Seefoyer

The following panels, which are not open to the public, are also planned for the first day:

- Why Subsidiarity?
- The principle of subsidiarity in practice

The second day’s programme includes moderated interviews with political representatives from European member states and institutions. You can find a list of the panellists and the political representatives under point 5: “Panellists”.


2. Accreditation and Practical Information

Only media representatives who have obtained prior online accreditation with the Federal Press Service are allowed access to the media events of this programme and to the media centre in the Bodensee hall of the Bregenz Festival House.

Online accreditation can be carried out directly on the website of the Austrian Presidency at https://www.eu2018.at/media/Media-accreditation.html.

The accreditation badge is valid for the entire duration of the Austrian Presidency of the Council of the European Union.

The online accreditation system contains a list of all the events for which you can register. Please register in advance for the event you wish to attend.

2.1. Accreditation Desk

You can collect your accreditation badge Monday to Friday from 09:00 to 13:00 from the Media Accreditation Office of the Federal Press Service (Schauflergasse 1, 1010 Vienna).

On 15 November 2018 from 10:00, and on 16 November 2018 from 07:30, accreditation badges can also be collected from the media accreditation desk of the Bregenz Festival House. The accreditation desk is located to the right of the main entrance to the Bregenz Festival House.

Collection times for accreditation badges (Schauflergasse 1, 1010 Vienna):

- Monday to Friday: from 09:00 to 13:00

Collection times for accreditation badges at the media accreditation desk (Bregenz Festival House, Platz der Wiener Symphoniker 1, 6900 Bregenz):

- 15 November: from 10:00 to 18:00
- 16 November: from 07:30 to 11:30

To collect your accreditation badge, you will need to present three documents: your accreditation confirmation, a valid press card or the original letter of assignment from your media organisation, and a government-issued photo identification (identity card, passport or driving licence).
3. Conference and media centre

For the duration of the event a media centre for accredited media representatives has been installed in the Bodensee hall of the Bregenz Festival House.

3.1. Address

Media Centre at Bregenz Festival House
Platz der Wiener Symphoniker 1
6900 Bregenz

3.2. Access

The Austrian Presidency of the Council of the European Union is committed to promoting sustainability and we therefore recommend that all attendees use public transport. The Bregenz Festival House has superb public transport connections. The Bregenz main station and the city centre are approximately 5 minutes walk from the Bregenz Festival House.

By Plane

The nearest airports are Altenrhein airport (CH) with several daily connections to and from Vienna, Zurich airport and Friedrichshafen airport (DE). On weekdays shuttle buses run between Altenrhein and Bregenz. Tickets for the shuttle bus can be bought when booking a flight. Further information can be found at https://peoples.at. There are regular train connections between Zürich/Friedrichshafen and Bregenz.

By Train

Bregenz can easily be reached by train and has excellent Intercity and Eurocity connections to Zurich, Innsbruck, Munich and Vienna as well as regional train connections to Friedrichshafen. For more information, please visit https://www.oebb.at/en/. The Bregenz Festival House is 5 minutes walk from the main train station (Hauptbahnhof). The bus station is located in front of the main train station.

Further travel information can be found at https://www.kongresskultur.com/en/t/getting-here.

3.3. Entrance for Media

The entrance for media representatives is located to the right of the main entrance to the Festival House.
3.4. Local Area Maps
3.5. **Opening Hours**

Opening hours of the media centre:

- 15 November 2018: from 10:00 to 20:00
- 16 November 2018: from 07:30 to 15:30

3.6. **Parking**

Several large car parks are available in the immediate vicinity of Bregenz Festival House. Parking fees will arise. Please follow the signs.

3.7. **Information Desk**

An information desk has been set up in the entrance area. It offers the following services:

- general information
- daily agenda and updates
- technical support

3.8. **Equipment**

The media centre has 40 workspaces for media representatives and offers the following equipment:

- desks and chairs
- 220V power supply
- Wi-Fi
- limited number of LAN access points
- black and white printer

3.9. **Catering**

The buffet is located in the foyer in front of the media centre. You can pick up free snacks and drinks here during the media centre opening hours. On 15 November all accredited media representatives are cordially invited to attend an evening reception by the Governor of Vorarlberg. On 16 November 2018 a buffet lunch is also provided.
3.10. Please Note

- During the Austrian Presidency, video recordings, audio recordings and photos featuring attendees may be taken. This material may be shared by the Austrian Presidency or the Austrian Federal Government including on their websites or social media channels. By attending events, attendees agree to this material being published on an unlimited basis.

- Workspaces in the media centres are allocated on a first-come first-served basis. Event organisers are unable to reserve workspaces for media representatives. The Austrian Presidency team will remove from unoccupied workspaces any reserved signs placed there by media representatives an hour after the start of an event.

- The Austrian Presidency assumes no responsibility for loss or damage to property.

- Taking photos or making recordings of confidential documents or other property belonging to attendees (including with mobile phones) is strictly forbidden.

- Under no circumstances are security staff to be filmed or photographed.

- The Federal Press Service reserves the right, should the need arise, to confiscate accreditation badges and thus revoke accreditation.

- Lost property will be kept at the information desk of the media centre for the duration of the event.
4. Host Services

4.1. Host Broadcaster

ORF (Austrian Broadcasting Corporation) is the host broadcaster for the Austrian Presidency and will provide free of charge to any interested Austrian or international radio stations and television channels audiovisual material in broadcast quality (HD) on the conference “Subsidiarity as a building principle of the European Union”.

Audiovisual material will be broadcast via EbS, the European Union’s TV information service (programme: http://ec.europa.eu/avservices/ebs/schedule.cfm, satellite reception: http://ec.europa.eu/avservices/ebs/satellite.cfm?sitelang=en) and can be downloaded in real time via the website of the European Commission’s Audiovisual Services at https://ec.europa.eu/avservices/.

The live feed of the audiovisual material can be received at the parking spaces for satellite news gathering trucks (SNGs) of the conference and media centre. Additional broadcasting requirements should be notified to the host broadcaster and will incur charges.

The host broadcaster will provide the following audiovisual material:

15 November 2018:
- opening by Governor Markus Wallner and Federal Chancellor Sebastian Kurz

16 November 2018:
- welcome by Federal Minister Gernot Blümel
- keynote speech by Vice-President Frans Timmermans
- concluding statements by Federal Minister Gernot Blümel
- Austrian Presidency press conference (original language version as well as German and English)

With regards to current coverage, rights of use are not limited in time or space.

The host broadcaster will also provide the following services:

- technical support
- registration for and allocation of SNGs

For registration for SNGs, please contact the host broadcaster directly: host.eu2018@orf.at
4.2. **Use of Radio Frequencies**

Broadcasting licences for international TV stations have to be applied for individually at the telecommunications authority of the respective federal province. The application form for temporary use of radio equipment can be downloaded at the weblink [https://www.eu2018.at/media/Host-Services.html](https://www.eu2018.at/media/Host-Services.html). Please send the filled in form to the competent telecommunications office:

**Telecommunication office Tyrol and Vorarlberg**

- Address: Valiergasse 60, 6010 Innsbruck
- Fax: +43 71162/654709
- Email: fb.innsbruck@bmvit.gv.at

Further information can be found at [https://www.bmvit.gv.at/ofb/organisation/nachgeordnet/fmb/index.html](https://www.bmvit.gv.at/ofb/organisation/nachgeordnet/fmb/index.html).

For productions, you need to coordinate radio frequencies via the frequency portal of the host broadcaster ORF [https://frequenz.orf.at/](https://frequenz.orf.at/).

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4.3. **Host Photographer Services**

All official photos taken by the host photographer team will be published on the Austrian Presidency's Flickr channel ([www.flickr.com/eu2018at](http://www.flickr.com/eu2018at)). Here you will find photos taken at this conference. The photos will be provided free of charge in digital form and in printing quality meeting IPTC standards.
5. **Panellists**

- Gernot BLÜMEL, Federal Minister for the EU, Arts, Culture and Media of the Republic of Austria
- Christian BUCHMANN, Chair of the EU Committee of the Austrian Federal Council
- Christian CALLIESS, Professor for European Law, Free University Berlin, External Legal Adviser to the European Political Strategy Center (EPSC) of the European Commission
- Melania-Gabriela CIOT, Romanian Secretary of State for European Affairs
- Benno ELBS, Bishop of Feldkirch
- Christian KASTROP, Director of the Bertelsmann Stiftung
- Sebastian KURZ, Federal Chancellor of the Republic of Austria
- Karl-Heinz LAMBERTZ, President of the European Committee of the Regions and member of the Task Force
- Reinhold LOPATKA, Chair of the Standing Sub-Committee on matters of the European Union of the Austrian National Council and member of the Task Force
- Ulrike RABMER-KOLLER, President of the European Association for crafts, small and medium-sized enterprises SMEunited and Vice-President of the Austrian Federal Economic Chamber
- Viviane REDING, former Vice-President of the European Commission
- Alfred RIEDL, President of the Austrian Association of Municipalities
- Kathy RIKLIN, Swiss National Council Member
- Franz SCHAUSBERGER, Chair of the Institute of the Regions of Europe
- Frans TIMMERMANS, First Vice-President of the European Commission and Chairman of the Task Force
- Markus WALLNER, Governor of Vorarlberg
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