

**“Alone - one goes faster;
together - we go further”**



27 April – 1 May 2014, Baden, Austria
Seminar- & Eventhotel Krainerhütte

Herzlich Willkommen – Welcome to Austria!

It is a great pleasure for us to welcome you at the EUROPEA seminar and General Assembly 2014.

“Education is an admirable thing, but it is well to remember from time to time that nothing that is worth knowing can be taught.” Oscar Wilde would be surprised if he attended the meeting! Not much about teaching – but many things to learn, to experience, to share!

Oscar Wilde also said, *“Experience is simply the name we give our mistakes.”* So – share your experience; tell about the mistakes you made when you present your example of good practise on Tuesday or over a cup of coffee.

As a team – EUROPEA Austria - we have organised the meeting for you;

as a team – EUROPEA Austria and France EUROPEA – we have prepared the peer review;

as a team – EUROPEA International – enjoy the seminar...

....and don't forget;

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EUROPEA Austria

Program

Sunday 27 April 2014

Arrival and Opening Dinner

Monday – 28 April 2014

BUILDING BRIDGES

– Getting to know the country and its schools

8.45	Opening of the seminar Welcome note Challenges in Green VET in Austria	Elisabeth Hönigsberger , President of EUROPEA Austria Josef Balber , Member of the Provincial Parliament Lower Austria – representing governor Dr. Erwin Pröll
9.00- 10.00	Getting to know each other - Icebreaker Peer Review in Quality Management	Sophie Blainville-Wellburn & Madie Joubert France EUROPEA
10.30	Visit to agricultural schools – peer review- introduction and listening grid	
11.00 – 18.00	HLFS-Schönbrunn – Horticulture /City Farm LFS-Güssing – Renewable Energy – LFS-Hollabrunn – Pet Animals LFS-Obersiebenbrunn – Vegetable growing LFS-Mistelbach – Direct Marketing	LFS-Krems – Wine LFS-Sooß – Social Services LFS-Tulln and IFA – Research in Plant Production LFS-Tullnerbach – Equine Studies LFS-Warth – Cattle breeding + Forestry
19.00	Dinner at hotel	
21.00	Campfire Discussion and Wine Tasting	

Tuesday 29 April 2014		
SHARING – Getting to know our products, results, projects – outcomes		
8.30	Opening of the meeting Reflection on Peer review	EUROPEA Austria & France EUROPEA
9.00	Meeting of National Coordinators	Workshops – Peer review (Participants write report and short presentation for plenary sessions)
10.30	Coffee break	
10.45 – 12.15	Market of good examples - Sharing concepts, tools (see market plan)	
12.30	Lunch – Hotel	
14.00	Plenary session Presentations of Peer review	EUROPEA Participants
14.30 – 16.30	Market of good examples - Sharing concepts, tools (see market plan)	
17.00	General Assembly of EUROPEA International; Elections to the Executive Committee	EUROPEA Participants
19.00	Dinner at hotel Competition in Summer Curling and other sport activities	

THE MARKET OF GOOD EXAMPLES

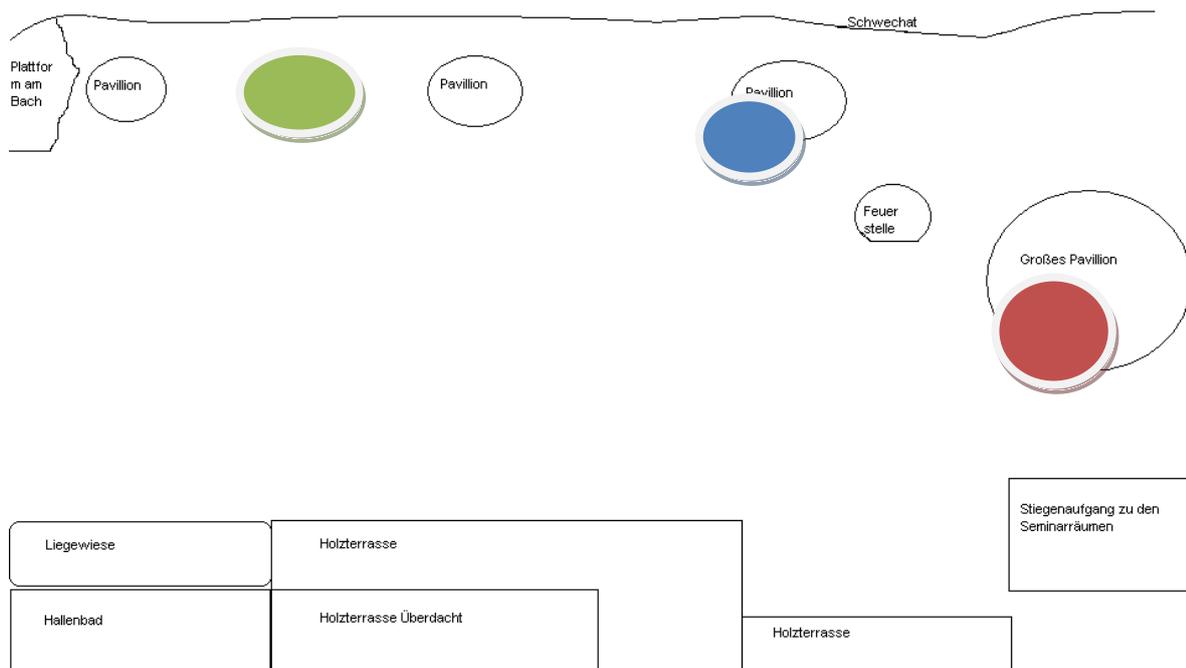
In many projects, may they be small or big, products, concepts or solutions to defined problems are developed. Every country, every school uses tools in the learning process, tries to find ways to make learning feasible.

During the market you have the chance to experience some of these examples, try out software, use your senses in a holistic approach or discuss new approaches, possible future projects and exchange experience with European colleagues.

At every market stand you can earn one DOT, in order to get the GOODY-BAG at the end of the day, you have to collect a fixed number of DOTS. Be careful: you need also certain coloured (green, blue, red) dots.

Feel free to walk around and learn.

You find a detailed description in your seminar file.



Wednesday 30 April 2014**A STEP TOWARDS TOMORROW**

9.00	Address of welcome to the guests of honour	Dr. Friedrich Krenn Head of The Department for Agricultural Education of Lower Austria
	Welcome note: Training in the green sector – the future is multifunctional and sustainable	LR Mag. Barbara Schwarz Member of the Provincial Government of Lower Austria
	2017+ - The concept of Lower Austria in the green sector	Dipl.-HLFL Karl Friewald, MA Head of the supervision body within the agricultural school department
	Presentations of Peer review	EUROPEA Participants
	Vocational training in new EUROPEA countries	EUROPEA Participants from Iceland, Serbia and Switzerland
10.15	Coffee break	
10.45	Potential of ECVET in green VET – Chances and Challenges for Implementation	Mag. Karin Luomi-Messerer ECVET-Expert
11.30	Summarizing and Closing of the seminar	Elisabeth Hönigsberger MA EUROPEA Austria, LAKO Tulln
12.00	Lunch at hotel - On invitation of the Minister of Agriculture DI Andrä Rupprechter	
13.00	Excursion	
19.00	Reception by the Governor of Lower Austria Dr. Erwin Pröll, represented by Dr. Martin Steinhauser , District Governorship Gänserndorf Jürgen Schallauer and his band IREEN Schloss Eckartsau Donau-Auen National Park	
23.00	Return to hotel	

Excursion and Closing Dinner Wednesday 30 April 2014

13.00 Departure Krainerhütte - 2 coaches/same program; 1-hour drive to the first visit

Marchfeld:



Marchfeld = the plain between the northeast of Vienna and the Morava river (Morava=March)

Schloss Hof - www.schlosshof.at

Immerse yourself in the fascinating world of the Baroque and let the beauty of Prince Eugene of Savoy's country estate in the Marchfeld work its special magic on you! Here you can explore the wide variety of things to do at Hof Palace with a click of the mouse on a virtual tour of the magnificent palace, the unique Baroque gardens and the idyllic Meierhof estate farm with its wealth of plants and animals.



The Palace



The Garden



Manor Farm

Schloss Orth – www.orth.at

The castle Orth was completely renovated in the year 2004 - 2005 and now houses the museumORTH in the town, the Event Center (Festival Hall), the National Park centre of the Danube, National Park GmbH with the outdoor area and the Castle Island. The Castle Island - unique to Austria an underwater observation station. Some shy resident animals can be observed from the woods.



Welcome to Schloss Eckartsau - the castle in the wilderness and location of our Closing Dinner - www.schlosseckartsau.at



Nestled in the unspoiled natural landscape of the Donau-Auen National Park the ancient royal hunting lodge of Eckartsau stands in the midst of a 27 hectare landscaped garden. Because of its location in the game-rich Danube valley, the castle has always been used as a hunting lodge. Under the Habsburgs, the castle was the scene of grand dinners and glittering balls. Later it became the scene of the demise of the monarchy. It was here in 1918 under Emperor Karl I that the imperial family spent its last Christmas and its last days on Austrian soil. Today, the castle is open to visitors for sightseeing but also celebrations in a festive, historic setting.

History of the Castle

The first written mentioning of Eckartsau can be found in the 11th Century in a deed of gift to the monastery of Klosterneuburg. At the time, Eckartsau was a four-sided castle surrounded by a moat.

The Manor of Eckartsauer increased its possessions and acquired land to the east and west, as well as castles, markets and rights. In the 16th and 17th century the Lords of Eckertsau changed frequently.

Today's magnificent appearance of the castle is mainly due to Count Franz Ferdinand von Kinsky. The Bohemian chancellor bought the property in 1720 together with the Manor of Eckartsau and had the medieval fortress converted and expanded into a Baroque hunting lodge. First-class artists such as Fischer von Erlach, Daniel Gran and Lorenzo Mattielli were instrumental in the extensive redesign.

In 1760, Franz Stephan von Lothringen, the husband of Empress Maria Theresa, purchased the castle. Among the most prominent later owners were Archduke Franz Ferdinand and the last Emperor and Empress of Austria Karl I and Zita, who spent their last days in Austria in the castle before their departure into exile.

After 1945, Österreichische Bundesforste took over the management of Schloss Eckartsau. They have worked in the last few decades on the restoration of the castle which was to some extent in a dilapidated state, so that it now shines again in its old glory.



18:30 Welcome in the courtyard

**Reception by the Governor of Lower Austria Mr. Erwin Pröll
Buffet-dinner; provided by the agricultural school of
Obersiebenbrunn**

23.00 Departure to hotel

Thursday 1 May

Departure

Organised Transfer to Vienna

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