

AIDS 2010 Update

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AIDS 2010: Practical Information and Online Resources

Dear AIDS 2010 Participant,

With only a few days before AIDS 2010, we would like to provide you with some practical information about registration, conference material pick-up, online resources and more.

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1. PROGRAMME-AT-A-GLANCE AND ONLINE ITINERARY-BUILDING TOOL

The entire AIDS 2010 programme is now available online through the Programme-at-a-Glance. All sessions, satellites and other programme elements are listed with session descriptions,

speakers and an interactive map of the venue. Links to abstracts, slides, webcasts, rapporteur reports and e-posters will be added as they are available.

You can use the Programme-at-a-Glance to view topic-focused roadmaps, on-site exhibitions and off-site affiliated events. You may use your conference profile to build and save your own personalized itinerary.

The Programme-at-a-Glance is available [here](#).

2. SIGN THE VIENNA DECLARATION

The Vienna Declaration is a scientific statement seeking to improve community health and safety by calling for the incorporation of scientific evidence into illicit drug policies. Supporters are inviting scientists, health practitioners and the public to endorse this statement in order to bring these issues to the attention of governments and international agencies, and to illustrate that drug policy reform is a matter of urgent international significance. We also welcome organizational endorsements.

The Vienna Declaration is an official declaration of AIDS 2010. It was drafted by [a team of international experts](#) and initiated by several of the world's leading HIV and drug policy scientific bodies: the [International AIDS Society \(IAS\)](#), the [International Centre for Science in Drug Policy \(ICSDP\)](#), and the [BC Centre for Excellence in HIV/AIDS](#). To read the Vienna Declaration click [here](#).

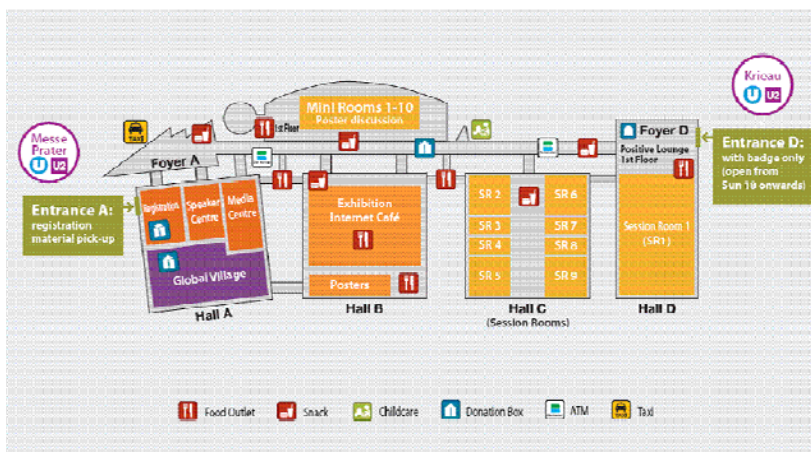
To sign the Vienna Declaration, please click [here](#).

3. TRANSPORTATION

The conference organizers are not arranging transport from the hotels to the conference venue. Delegates are strongly encouraged to use the underground as it is the easiest, quickest and safest option to go to the conference. More information on how to use the underground and how to buy discounted weekly passes can be found [here](#).

4. THE CONFERENCE VENUE

The conference will take place in the Reed Messe Wien, Messeplatz 1, Vienna.



To download a copy of the map above, please click [here](#).

5. HOW TO REACH THE CONFERENCE VENUE

REACH THE CONFERENCE VENUE WITH THE U2 UNDERGROUND LINE

U2 station Messe Prater: Registration, Media, Global Village

U2 station Krieau (from Sunday onwards): Session Rooms (including Plenary Sessions), Exhibition

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PASS

If you have ordered a public transportation pass, it is integrated in your name badge, with the Wiener Lienen logo.

The EUR 13,50 pass, valid from 17 to 23 July 2010, covers the city of Vienna.

The EUR 16,30 pass, valid from 17 to 23 July 2010, covers the city of Vienna and includes one trip from the airport to the city and one trip from the city to the airport. Please note: these passes are not valid for the City Airport Train (CAT). When leaving the arrival hall at the airport please follow the ÖBB/S-Bahn signs. The suburban railway/S-Bahn (S7) leaves from the airport approximately every 30 minutes and goes directly to the city centre station "Wien Mitte".

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6. ARRIVING AT THE CONFERENCE VENUE

REGISTRATION OPENING HOURS

Registration and Material Pick Up desks are open during the following hours:

Saturday, 17 July: 13:00–20:00

Sunday, 18 July: 08:00–19:30

Monday, 19 July–Thursday, 22 July: 06:30–18:30

Friday, 23 July: 08:00–15:00

REGISTRATION AREA

The registration area is located in Hall A at the Reed Messe Wien.

IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED YOUR NAME BADGE BY POSTAL MAIL

If you have received your name badge by postal mail you should go directly to the *Material Pick Up* desks in the registration area. There you will receive your conference bag, badge holder and the abstract book (if you ordered one when you registered). **Please remember to bring your name badge with you.**

IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED A BARCODE BY E-MAIL TO PRINT YOUR NAME BADGE AT THE SELF-PRINTING TERMINALS

If you have NOT received a name badge by postal mail but a barcode by e-mail to print your name badge you should go directly to the *Self Badge Printing* desks in the registration area. **Please remember to bring your barcode with you** in order to avoid queuing at the registration

counters. After printing your name badge, please go to the *Material Pick Up* desks where you will receive your conference bag, badge holder and abstract book (if you ordered one when you registered).

IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED EITHER YOUR NAME BADGE OR A BARCODE

If you have not received either your name badge or a barcode you should go to one of the *Registered Delegate* desks in the registration area to complete your registration and receive your conference bag, badge holder and abstract book (if you ordered one when you registered).

IF YOU ARE REGISTERED AS A SPEAKER

If you are registered as a speaker, please go to the *Speaker* desk located in the registration area.

IF YOU ARE A SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

If you are a scholarship recipient, please go to the *Scholarship* desk located in the registration area.

IF YOU ARE REGISTERED AS PART OF A GROUP

If you are registered as part of a group by a pharmaceutical company or another organization, please check with your group manager when and where you will receive your name badge and conference material. Do not come to the registration area individually.

PAYMENT

For all pre-payments made by bank transfer after 1 July 2010, bring a bank transfer slip with you to the conference as proof of payment.

Onsite payments can either be made by credit card (up to an amount of EUR 5,000) or cash. Cash payments will be accepted in EUR and USD. Personal, company and Euro cheques will not be accepted.

7. IN CASE OF EMERGENCY IN VIENNA

Medical Emergencies:

First aid and medical services will be available to delegates at the conference from Sunday to Thursday (18–22 July) from 6:00 to 23:00 and on Friday (23 July) from 6:00 to 20:00. On-site medical and paramedical personnel will be available to respond to medical needs as they arise, including medical emergencies. There will be a medical centre in Hall A and two medical help desks with first responders in Hall D and at the entrance to the Global Village (next to the registration area). Their contact phone number onsite is: **+43 699 172 85 423**. There is also a medical centre at the Vienna airport if immediate medical attention is needed at the airport.

Embassies in Austria:

If you encounter problems while you are in Austria, please contact your own embassy/consulate in Austria. Please click [here](#) for their contact information.

Austrian Emergency Numbers:

In case of an emergency call: 112 (European emergency number)

Emergency numbers in Austria:

- Ambulance: 144
- Police: 133
- Fire brigade: 122

Emergency service for poisoning: +43 1 406 43 43

General telephone information: international/national directory enquiries: 11 88 11 / 11 88 99

8. OPENING SESSION, SUNDAY, 18 JULY

The AIDS 2010 Opening Session is on Sunday, 18 July, 19:00–21:30, in Session Room 1. Session Room 1 is located in Hall D of Reed Messe Wien. The closest underground station is Krieau, on the U2 line (purple line).

Delegates are encouraged to arrive early for the Opening Session, as seating will be limited. Doors will open at 17:00, with cultural performances beginning at 17:30. Entrance D will be open from Sunday, 18 July and is restricted to delegates with badges.

9. GENERAL INFORMATION GUIDE

The General Information guide contains practical information about the conference and Vienna and is now available online.

Click [here](#) to download the document.

10. SATELLITE MEETINGS AND EXHIBITION

The list of satellite meetings is now available [here](#).

The list of exhibitors and the exhibition floor plan are now available [here](#).

11. HOTELS AND TOURS

A *Hotels and Tours* desk will be available in the registration area for hotel bookings or to purchase sight-seeing tours.

Please click [here](#) for more information.

12. AFFILIATED EVENTS

Affiliated events will support the vision and goals of the conference and address HIV, co-infections or issues faced by individuals or organizations affected by or responding to the epidemic. Organized by third parties, these events will take place outside the conference venue at times that do not conflict with the conference programme. **Delegates should be aware that certain events require pre-registration.**

Please click [here](#) to see the full list of affiliated events or for more information, including pre-registration details.

13. CULTURAL PROGRAMME VIENNA – RESERVE YOUR TICKETS NOW!

The selection of Vienna as host for AIDS 2010 reflects the city's open and unprejudiced attitude toward those affected by HIV. Therefore, a number of Viennese artists and cultural institutions are setting an example with a series of events focused on HIV and AIDS. The result is a versatile cultural programme on the occasion of AIDS 2010 that includes fine art, film, dance, music, design, literature and architecture.

Highlights include [Life Ball](#) – this year a celebration in solidarity with AIDS 2010, the South African dance performance “We Must Eat Our Suckers with the Wrappers On” by Robin Orlin, and the closing benefit music performance featuring acclaimed artists such as Penny Arcade and Anthony Rizzi. In addition, numerous city specials and reduced admission to Vienna museums for AIDS 2010 delegates will be offered.

The organizers urge all interested delegates to book tickets in advance for these events. For more information and booking-details please click [here](#).

14. ENGAGEMENT TOURS

Engagement tours at AIDS 2010 will offer delegates unique learning experiences through interactive site visits to local organizations, research labs and grassroots community programmes that work on HIV and AIDS issues in Vienna.

Tours are available to conference delegates at no cost. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis and tours are limited to one tour per delegate.

For more information on the tour schedule please click [here](#).

If you are interested in participating in an engagement tour please send an e-mail to engagementtours@aids2010.org.

15. ABCC DIRECTORY

The ABCC Directory is a unique gateway providing AIDS 2010 participants the opportunity to exchange skills and ideas via email with the global experts gathered at the conference in order to identify knowledge gaps, share experience and address common challenges. The ABCC Directory is accessible to all registered delegates and enables delegates to:

- **Access** the top scientists, leading activists, political leaders, frontline practitioners and financial policy makers gathered at AIDS 2010. Categorized according to area of expertise, region and institution, the directory information is drawn from the conference contact database.
- **Build** networks with leading HIV experts attending the conference, including programme presenters, workshop faculty and other delegates.
- **Connect** and **Build Capacity**: Conference sessions are delivered by experienced and dynamic HIV and health practitioners and faculty from the world's leading training and educational organizations. The platform will enable health practitioners, faculty and delegates to connect via email to exchange knowledge beginning on-site and continuing after the conference.

Please click [here](#) for more information or log in to your conference profile. Delegates will be able to sign up to access the ABCC Directory in the main concourse of the venue.

16. VISA INFORMATION

All delegates traveling to Austria must present an approved travel document (passport or identity card) and delegates from many countries will need a Schengen visa to enter the country. If you need a visa and have not already applied it is unlikely that the embassy/consulate will be able to process your application in time for you to travel to the conference.

Delegates are also reminded that they may require transit visas if they are travelling through other countries to get to the Schengen zone.

Full information is available at:

Visa application guidelines:
www.aids2010.org/default.aspx?pagelId=256

Registration terms and conditions for regular delegates:
www.aids2010.org/Default.aspx?pagelId=234

Registration terms and conditions for media representatives:
www.aids2010.org/Default.aspx?pagelId=235

17. JOIN THE CONVERSATION ON THE BLOG, FACEBOOK AND TWITTER

Get the latest conference updates and share your thoughts and ideas through the Conference Blog, Facebook pages and Twitter feed.

The Conference Blog features guest posts from organizers, participants, and leaders in the global response to AIDS, along with important updates, reminders and highlights. Subscribe to the feed, visit often and post your comments.

We're tweeting – [@aids2010](https://twitter.com/aids2010) – and hope many of you will tweet along with us, using #aids2010 to keep the conversation going.

We also have three Facebook pages, including a main conference page and pages for the Global Village and Youth Programme. If your group or organization is participating in the Global Village or Youth Programme, we welcome posts of photos and videos of your work on those pages. Tell us why you are coming to Vienna and what you hope to gain from AIDS 2010.

www.facebook.com/aids2010
www.facebook.com/aids2010globalvillage
www.facebook.com/aids2010youth

18. PROGRAMMING BY ONLINE PARTNERS

Webcasts

The Kaiser Family Foundation will provide live or tape-delayed webcasts of the Opening and Closing Sessions, all Plenary Sessions and selected other sessions and press conferences, as well as webcast transcripts and English- and Russian-language podcasts with slide presentations.

News Reports by NAM

NAM will offer news stories on major scientific presentations and host online discussion forums for HIV implementers on aidsmap.com. NAM will publish a free daily news bulletin in English and translated into French, Portuguese, Spanish and Russian.

Scientific Analysis by CCO

Clinical Care Options' (CCO) online coverage will begin the week of 18 July and include expert audio highlights, Capsule Summaries of important clinical data, downloadable slidesets, and more.

19. HELP CONFERENCE ORGANIZERS EXPAND ACCESS TO AIDS 2010

For those active in the response to HIV who are unable to come to Vienna, and for conference delegates committed to following-up on relevant issues when they return to their organizations, AIDS 2010 organizers invite you to be part of the effort to expand access to the conference by organizing an independent hub with your community. By accessing videotaped sessions and organizing discussions and debates locally, you will be able to network with others and identify how the content of the conference may be used to strengthen the HIV/AIDS response in your region!

Please click [here](#) for more information.

Sincerely,

AIDS 2010 Conference Secretariat

XVIII International AIDS Conference Vienna, Austria, 18–23 July 2010, convened by the International AIDS Society (IAS) and international, regional and local partners.