# FOR APAC INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL 2023



# Honorable University Presidents, Dear Professors, Dear Students, Dear Ladies and Gentlemen, Dear Friends!

A Warm Welcome to our FOR APAC International Summer School 2023!



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The Forum Asia Pacific (FOR APAC) continues the long Summer School tradition of the former Chinese Studies Center at the Paris Lodron University of Salzburg (PLUS), which, together with the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet (EPU), has initiated its Chinese-Austrian-EU Summer School for students from higher education institutions from China in 2002.

Last year, the former Chinese Studies Center was transformed into the Forum Asia Pacific to include more countries from the Asia-Pacific region and to strengthen scientific aspects of teaching and research projects in this field.

During the last two Covid-years from 2021 to 2022, we held ONLINE Summer Schools, which were well received by students from our Chinese partner universities, and other institutions in China and other countries.

This year, we hope to be able to hold our Summer School – now called "FOR APAC INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL" on-place and to welcome many students not only from the Asia-Pacific region, but potentially also beyond this region, in order to promote a broader exchange between students from different parts of the world.

We hope that we will attract many students from diverse countries to engage with important topics of our globalized world.



The FOR APAC INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL 2023 offers two versions for the first time: A long **four week program** will take place in Venice (Italy), Salzburg (Austria), Vienna (Austria), Prague (Czech Republic), Heidelberg (Germany), Leuven (Belgium), Reims (France) and last but not least in Paris (France) from **July 13<sup>th</sup> to August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023,** and **a short two week program** which will take place in Salzburg (Austria) and Vienna (Austria) from **July 14<sup>th</sup>** to July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

The Summer School will deal with various topics according to the four leitmotifs of the PLUS. These leitmotifs are **Art in Context**, **Digital Life**, **Development & Sustainability** and **Health & Mind**.

During this Summer School, we will convey knowledge for a more profound understanding of Europe in various fields, the European Union, European culture and ways of thinking from different perspectives and different worldviews, including philosophy, psychology, music, arts, history etc., but also explore specific outcomes of current research and very topical issues, as well as provide analysis and reflections on those features and the current global situation.

For a detailed insight into our lectures, please have a look at the attached program.

We sincerely hope that these new versions of our Summer School in the frame of FOR APAC will awaken your interest and that of your students.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming your students to our exciting journey in Europe!

Sincerely yours,

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Please note: Since all the lectures will be held in English, having a good proficiency of written and spoken English is a basic prerequisite for participation. Responsible contact persons from our member institutions should make sure that the English language abilities of the selected students are meeting this minimum requirement.



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# Insights from the Heart of Europe

# Reading the Past – Shaping the Present – Envisioning Common Global Futures

What's NEW: You can choose to attend either the 4-week program or the 2-week program.

If you choose to attend the full 4 weeks of the Summer School, you will get **6 ECTS** points, for 2 weeks, you will get **3 ECTS** points.

The minimum requirements for course completion are as follows:

- ♪ Successful completion of the examinations of the lectures
- ♪ Minimum 90% attendance of the total official program (lectures, excursions & visits):
  - J 4 weeks: 28 lectures, 8 group excursions, 10 visits
    - J 2 weeks: 18 lectures, 4 group excursions, 5 visits
- ♪ For both versions (the long and the short one):
  - Preparatory reading for the Summer School: Stefan Zweig: "Decisive Moments in History" or William Shakespeare "Romeo and Juliet"
  - Final essay (min. 800 words max. 1200 words).

## Nomination

If your university is interested in nominating students and sending an application list to us (instead of having the students apply by themselves), we kindly ask you to nominate a contact person / coordinator.

In this case, please kindly send an Excel list of the nominated students (in alphabetical order) to the following e-mail address: <u>summerschool@plus.ac.at</u> before the application deadline.

# Application

- It is possible to either apply individually or through the coordinator of your university (please refer to the paragraph 'Nomination'.
- ♪ If you want to apply individually, please send an e-mail to summerschool@plus.ac.at
- In both cases, please also apply through the following link: https://applications.plus.ac.at/summerschool\_for\_apac

# Deadlines

#### Application deadline: 1<sup>st</sup> of April 2023 Payment deadline: 1<sup>st</sup> of May 2023



#### Costs

The costs for the Summer School amount to 3.800, - EUR for the 4-week program, 2.800, - EUR for the 2-week program.

Each price includes costs for accommodation (including breakfast), bus transfers in Europe, lecture fees, excursion and entrance fees and overhead costs. You will receive our bank information after applying.

#### Payment deadline: 1<sup>st</sup> of May 2023

#### **Cancelation Fees**

If you wish to cancel your participation in the Summer School, please send us a short e-mail with a brief explanation of the reason.

If a student decides to drop out after the 1<sup>st</sup> of May but before the 30<sup>th</sup> of May, we will withhold 25% of the costs.

For any drop out between the 1<sup>st</sup> and the 30<sup>th</sup> of June, we will claim 50% of the program costs.

After the 30<sup>th</sup> of June, we are claiming a 100% cancelation fee.

## **Realization of the Summer School**

Our university reserves the right of the final interpretation.

The programs are subject to change.

A minimum number of participants is required for the summer school to take place. There is also a maximum number of participants. Therefore, please note that the first come, first serve principle applies.

We are looking forward to your replies and a successful cooperation in the frame of the FOR APAC Summer School 2023.

You will receive further information after the application deadline.

#### If you have questions, please contact:

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