Preparations for the Sixteenth International Congress of the International Association for Neo-Latin Studies (Contextus Neolatini) to be held in Vienna between 2 and 7 August 2015 have entered their final phase.

This letter is being sent to all those who have registered for the XVIth International Congress of the IANLS, as well as to those whose proposals were accepted but who have not yet registered.

For information and announcements concerning the Congress please see: http://ianls-vienna2015.univie.ac.at/.

Those who have not yet registered but would still like to participate are asked to register and pay the fee: http://ianls-vienna2015.univie.ac.at/registration.

The program and the abstracts of the individual papers, special sessions and posters are available online: http://ianls-vienna2015.univie.ac.at/program. We thank you for your understanding that – due to the large size of the Congress – changes of the program will be extremely difficult.

Registration on site
Registration will be open from 16.00 – 18.00 on Sunday, 2 August and begin at 08.00 on Monday, 3 August in the Aula of the University Main Building (Universitätsring 1, 1010 Wien). Congress packages, including programs, name tags, lunch tickets, a city map, WLAN-vouchers valid for the whole week, and much more will be distributed there. From Tuesday onwards registration will be possible next to the wardrobe in front of the Small Ceremonial Hall (please see below).

Chairing a session
We thank all colleagues who were so kind to function as chair(wo)men. (There will be a chair(wo)man’s form in the Congress package.) Nevertheless we are still looking for some people who will do us the same favour. In case of interest please feel free to contact us: ianls.vienna@univie.ac.at.
Accompanying events
In addition to the Congress itself, the Congress fee also includes several sightseeing options in Vienna (Wednesday afternoon), a Viennese classical concert (Tuesday evening), the coffee breaks and several receptions. A special invitation for the Buffet Dinner by the Mayor of Vienna (Monday evening) and the meeting point for your individual sightseeing option will be included in your Congress package.

Lunch
Lunch will be served from Monday to Friday in the Mensa (Universitätsstraße 7, 1010 Wien), which is on walking distance to the Main Building. Please take your lunch tickets with you. A special meal (3 courses) will be served according to your (vegetarian) choice.

Audio-Visual Requirements
All lecture rooms (7, 23, 28, 30, 31, 32, 42 & the Institute for Classical Philology, Medieval and Neo-Latin Studies itself) are next to each other and equipped with microphones, beamers and laptops resp. desktops. Please bring your presentation on a USB flash drive with you. There will be students for assistance. – Please find a map here: http://ianls-vienna2015.univie.ac.at/links/.

Posters & Book Exhibition
The Posters should be on site for the whole week, not only for the Poster Session. They will be presented together with the Book Exhibition, right in front of the Small Ceremonial Hall and the Senate’s Chamber.

Lounge, Wardrobe, Message Boards
Next to the Big Ceremonial Hall you will find a comfortable lounge (in the Senate’s Chamber) equipped with computers and a message board* presenting important news, announcements, changes of papers etc. The laptops you bring with you will work there as well. Please use your WLAN-voucher which will be part of the Congress package.

*Another message board will be placed next to wardrobe near the Small Ceremonial Hall which serves as catering area. Please wear your name tag there.

Program
All sessions will be held in the Main Building of the University (Universitätsring 1, 1010 Wien). The Congress site is located in the city centre and in walking distance from most hotels. It can also be reached by tramways D, 1, 37, 38, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 71, by bus 1A, and metro U 2.

Sunday, 2 August 2015:
16-18 Registration (Aula, Vienna University, Main Building)
19 Reception (Arkadenhof, Vienna University, Main Building)

Monday, 3 August 2015:
8-9 Registration (Aula, Vienna University, Main Building)
9-10 Official opening (Big Ceremonial Hall)
10-11 Plenary lecture 1 (in English): Hans Helander (Big Ceremonial Hall)
11-11.30 Coffee break (Small Ceremonial Hall)
11.30-13 Parallel sessions (lecture rooms 7, 23, 28, 30, 31, 32, 42)
13-15 Lunch
15-16.30 Parallel sessions (lecture rooms 7, 23, 28, 30, 31, 32, 42)
16.30-17 Coffee break (Small Ceremonial Hall)
17-19 Parallel sessions (lecture rooms 7, 23, 28, 30, 31, 32, 42)
19.30 Buffet Dinner, Wiener Rathauskeller (at walking distance from the University)

Tuesday, 4 August 2015:
9-10.30 Parallel sessions (lecture rooms 7, 23, 28, 30, 31, 32, 42, Institute for Classical Philology, Medieval and Neo-Latin Studies)
10.30-11 Coffee break (Small Ceremonial Hall)
11-12 Plenary lecture 2 (in Spanish): Avelina Carrera de la Red (Big Ceremonial Hall)
12-14 Lunch
14-15.30 Parallel sessions (lecture rooms 7, 23, 28, 30, 31, 32, 42)
15.30-16 Coffee break (Small Ceremonial Hall)
16-18 Parallel sessions (lecture rooms 7, 23, 28, 30, 31, 32, 42, Institute for Classical Philology, Medieval and Neo-Latin Studies)
20 Viennese Classical Concert (Big Ceremonial Hall)

Wednesday, 5 August 2015:
9-11 Parallel sessions (lecture rooms 7, 23, 28, 30, 31, 32, 42)
11-11.30 Coffee break (Small Ceremonial Hall)
11.30-12.30 Plenary lecture 3 (in Italian): Fabio Stok (Big Ceremonial Hall)
12.30-14 Lunch
14-15 Poster presentation (next to the Big Ceremonial Hall)
15.30-17.30 Optional sight-seeing tours in Vienna

Thursday, 6 August 2015:
9-10.30 Parallel sessions (lecture rooms 7, 23, 28, 30, 31, 32, 42)
10.30-11 Coffee break (Small Ceremonial Hall)
11-13 IANLS Business Meeting (Big Ceremonial Hall)
13-14.30 Lunch
14.30-16 Parallel sessions (lecture rooms 7, 23, 28, 30, 31, 32, 42)
16-16.30 Coffee break (Small Ceremonial Hall)
16.30-17.30 Plenary lecture 4 (in French): Virginie Leroux (Big Ceremonial Hall)
17.30-18 Coffee break (Small Ceremonial Hall)
18 Presentation: Neo-Latin Handbooks & Companions (Big Ceremonial Hall)

Friday, 7 August 2015:
9-10.30 Parallel sessions (lecture rooms 7, 23, 28, 30, 31, 32, 42)
10.30-11 Coffee break (Small Ceremonial Hall)
11-12.30 Parallel sessions (lecture rooms 7, 23, 28, 30, 31, 32, 42)
12.30-14.30 Lunch
14.30-16.30 Parallel sessions (lecture rooms 7, 23, 28, 30, 31, 32, 42)
16.30-17 Coffee break (Small Ceremonial Hall)
17-18 Plenary lecture 5 (in German): Ludwig Braun (Big Ceremonial Hall)
18-18.30 Closing of the congress (Big Ceremonial Hall)
20 Conference Dinner

Saturday, 8 August 2015:
9-19 Excursion to Melk

N.B. Any changes of the program will be published at:
http://ianls-vienna2015.univie.ac.at/program.
Publication of Papers in the Acta
Anyone giving a paper at the XVIth International Congress of the IANLS (Contextus Neolatini) is entitled to submit it for publication in the Acta. Publication guidelines will be posted on the Congress website after the Conference. The final date for submitting manuscripts to the Chair of Publications is November 30, 2015. Please note, however, that papers will be subject to peer review and thus will not be automatically accepted.

Business Meeting
The Business Meeting of the IANLS will be held on Thursday, 6 August, 11.00-13.00 in the Big Ceremonial Hall (Main Building of the University). – You will find the agenda in your Congress package (for a special point please see II. below).

Excursion
The excursion to Melk will start at 09.00 a.m. at Wien Westbahnhof. Please be there on time. There is one group ticket for all which will be valid for the train, the guided tour to the monastery and the boat trip on the river Danube. – Lunch will be served on the boat about 02.00 p.m. An advance order for fine weather has been placed at St. Peter's office ;-) – We will be back in Vienna at approx. 07.00 p.m.

Travel to and from the Congress venue & Accommodation in Vienna
By air
Austrian Airlines are the official carrier of the XVIth International Congress of the IANLS (Contextus Neolatini) and offer participants a discount on online bookings.

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Book your flights to the IANLS 2015 online at www.austrian.com and save 15 % on all applicable fares! – To do so, simply enter the following code in the eVoucher field on the Austrian Airlines homepage booking-engine (accessible via http://ianls-vienna2015.univie.ac.at/travel-to-the-congress-venue/):

Code: IANLS15

Conditions:
• Booking period: now until August 7th, 2015
• Valid for flights to Vienna and return as of July 26th, 2015 until August 14th, 2015 (final date for return flight) on OS operated flights.

Travel from the Airport to Vienna

Vienna International Airport (VIE; Schwechat) is located about 30 minutes from the city centre by taxi or by public transport. – There are several ways to get to Vienna from Schwechat. Please follow the link to receive schedules and prices: http://www.flughafentaxi-wien.at/en/
Airportbus
Price (single): from EUR 8.00 for Vienna Airport Lines

CAT (City Airport Train)
Price (single): EUR 11.00 – A separate CAT counter is located in the arrivals hall, where you can obtain information about all CAT services and purchase a ticket. For more information please click here: http://www.cityairporttrain.com/

Regular Train (Schnellbahn)
Price: EUR 4.40 (including travel on Vienna public transport). Tickets are available on the platforms at the airport and (for return) at Wien Mitte / Landstraße and in every underground station, where you have a connection to the regular train (e.g. Praterstern). For more information please click here: http://www.flughafentaxi-wien.at/alternativen/schnellbahn#fahrplan_s7

Airport Taxi, „Fixpreis“ Taxi &c.
Special airport taxis are usually much cheaper than normal taxis and offer transfer at a fixed rate, varying between EUR 25.00 and EUR 35.00, depending on the destination.

By train
Vienna is well connected to the international rail network. International trains arrive either at Wien Westbahnhof, Wien Hauptbahnhof or Wien Meidling. From there you can take the underground, buses and / or trams. Please find the train schedule here: http://www.oebb.at/

Moving around in Vienna
Vienna has an efficient public transport system. – You can easily purchase tickets at the ticket machines in Vienna or online: https://shop.wienerlinien.at/

Please find a map of Vienna here: http://www.wien.gv.at/stadtplan/en/

Hotels
A list of hotels at various price levels in the vicinity of the congress venue is available on the congress website: http://ianls-vienna2015.univie.ac.at/accommodation/

In order to book the rooms set aside for our congress at these hotels, reservations must be made directly through this website. Please make your reservations well in advance. Hotel rates and available rooms can only be guaranteed if booking is made through this website.

The organizers of the conference have pre-selected hotels for the benefit of its participants. These rooms will be allocated to participants free of any handling fee – use the online hotel booking form. If you would like to stay longer, please feel free to contact us (congress@univie.ac.at or ianls.vienna@univie.ac.at).

Payment for accommodation is to be made onsite at the hotel receptions. Credit card details will be transferred to the hotels to guarantee your reservations. Cancellation policies are up to each hotel – usually cancellation free of charge is possible 7 days prior to arrival! Cancellations have to be communicated via e-mail: congress@univie.ac.at.
II. Amendment of the Statutes

The Executive Committee suggests the following amendments to be put under vote at the Business Meeting in Vienna August 2015:

- add to the end of II.C.2: “Students are entitled to the same reduction.”
- add to the end of the second sentence of IV.B: “and the chair of digital resources.”
- add: “IV.F There shall be a Committee of digital resources, the chair of which is to be nominated by the Executive Committee and approved at the Business Meeting of the Congress.”
- IV.F then becomes IV.G and IV.G becomes IV.H.
- add VI.G: “The advisory board will also select two auditors who will review the financial records of the association and report to the Business Meeting. The auditors will serve for six years.”

If any questions occur, please don’t hesitate to ask: ianls.vienna@univie.ac.at.

We are looking forward to meeting you at our Alma Mater, sharing with you an unforgettable week of inspiring papers & posters, culture & conversation!