## Conference venue

## **About Vienna**

ARES 2006 will take place in the city of Vienna, the capital of Austria. Vienna University of Technology is located in the center of Vienna, at Karlsplatz with its baroque Karlskirche (St. Charles' Church), just beside the Ringstrasse, Emperor Franz Josef's circular boulevard, which is surrounding the inner city. The famous State Opera is just a stone's throw away from the conference venue, and following the Ringstrasse from there you will enjoy an impressive walk passing by Vienna's main attractions: the Hofburg Palace, the Parliament, Naturhistorisches Museum (Museum of Natural History) and Kunsthistorisches Museum (Museum of Fine Arts), the Burgtheater, University of Vienna (one of the oldest universities in Europe) and the Rathaus, Vienna's City Hall. The conference dinner will take place in the magnificent Festival Hall of Vienna's City Hall.

At the very heart of Vienna, **Stephansdom (St. Stephen's Cathedral)** is located, starting from there you will discover the cobblestone squares and medieval lanes, conjuring up images of Vienna's past. Definitely, you will not be able to resist the delicious scent of coffee and Viennese pastries inviting you to the many lovely cafés and restaurants in Vienna's Old Town.

If you stay longer in Vienna, you certainly will not want to miss a visit of **Schönbrunn Palace**, the summer retreat of Empress Maria Theresia with its impressive gardens, a ride on the Riesenrad, Vienna's famous giant ferris wheel located in the **Prater**, or a night in one of the many theatres or music halls of Vienna - the city of music.

Vienna is welcoming you and will overwhelm you with its multi-faceted culture.

For further information about Vienna, please have a look at:

- www.wien.gv.at
- Austria-tourism.at
- www.wien.info
- Vienna Online

## **Local Information**

Currency

The currency in Austria is the Euro. All conference, workshop and tutorial fees are charged in Euro.

Banks and Money Exchange

Official opening hours of banks are from Monday to Friday from 08.30-12.30 and 13.30-15.00. Banks are closed on Saturdays and Sundays and public holidays. It is possible to change foreign currency into Euro at most city hotels and exchange counters.

You will be able to withdraw money in Euro with your bank card with 'Maestro' logo 24 hours from automatic teller machines called 'Bankomat'.

Shopping Hours

Shops are generally open during the week from 09.00 - 18.00 or 19.00, and on Saturday from 09.00 - 12.00, or 17:00 in most shopping areas. Shops remain closed on Sundays and public holidays.

## **Conference Site**

The conference will take place in the **Vienna University of Technology** in the **Electronic Engineering Building, Gußhausstrasse 25**, in between Karlsplatz and Taubstumengasse subway stations

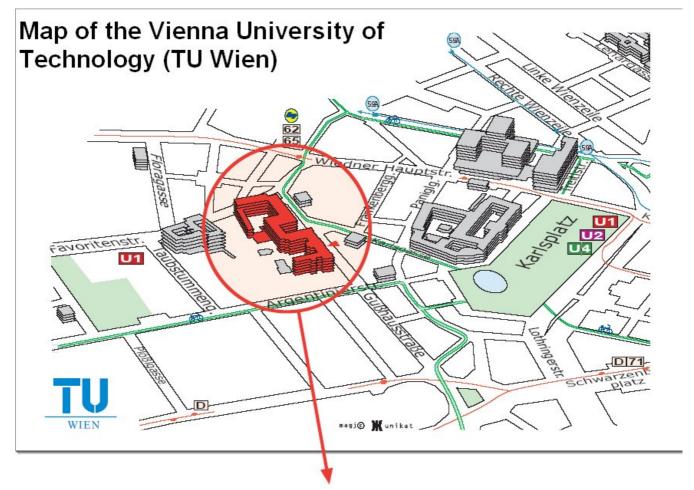
The exact address of the conference location is:

• El-Gebäude

Gußhausstrasse 25

1040 Wien

Overview map of the El-Gebäude at the Gußhausstrasse area



Conference Venue: 1040 Wien, Gußhausstraße 25

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The conference venue is within walking distance of several of the hotels listed under **Accommodation**, and is easily reachable by public transport:

- subway lines U1, U2 or U4: station Karlsplatz
- tram 62 and 65: station Paulanergasse
- bus 59A: station Bärenmühlendurchgang

Map of the Gußhausstrasse area with railway stations



Find a map of the railway system of Vienna here.

Map of the railway network system in Vienna

