



#AER4EUelections

Info kit for participants

Winter Dialogues 2023

29–30 November 2023

Sankt Pölten, Lower Austria



WHAT

- The AER Winter Dialogues will conclude the AER activities for 2023.
- The event will include meetings of the **Working Groups on Bioeconomy and Mental Health**, a discussion on the **AER Multi-Annual Strategy**, and the **Autumn Bureau meeting** hosting the **third MEET Intergenerational Debate on the Future of Europe**.

WHEN & WHERE

- The activities **in the morning of 29 November** and during the **whole day of 30 November** will take place in the government complex of [Landhaus St. Pölten \(check on Google Maps\)](#).
- The activities in the **afternoon of 29 November** will take place in the [House of Digitalisation in Tulln \(check on Google Maps\)](#). **The venue is also reachable by train (check itinerary here)**.

How to get to Sankt Pölten

From Vienna International Airport to Sankt Pölten (train station)

- Participants can easily plan their journey with [the trip planner of ÖBB](#)
- The fastest trains are called **"railjet xpress"** or **"railjet."**

How to get to the venue in Sankt Pölten

- [The event venue in Sankt Pölten](#) in House A, Landhaus Boulevard 1, 3109. St. Pölten is at a walking distance from the train station (15 minutes)

How to get to the venue in Tulln

- **For those interested in both the study trip and activities in Tulln**, it is advisable to join the departures at 12.50 in front of the 'sound tower' / Klangturm close to the main venue on 29 November.
- The venue is also reachable by train. It is at walking distance from the train station. [Check the itinerary here.](#)

About the study trip to the Agrana plant on 29 November

- Priority will be given to AER members on a first-come-first served basis.
- The host region will organise a bus transfer to the Agrana plant.
- Departure will be at 12.50 in front of 'sound tower' / klangturm' near House A.
- **The plant is not reachable with car/train.**
- **Note to participants: please wear your Winter Dialogues badges and anti-slippery shoes.**

AER Winter Dialogues 2023

Landhaus St. Pölten & House of Digitalisation, Tulln

Sankt Pölten, Lower Austria, Austria

29-30 November 2023

| AGENDA 29 November 2023 | |
|---|---|
| 9:00 - 9:30 Welcome & Registration in <u>Landhaus St. Pölten, House 1A, Foyer</u> | |
| 9:30 - 10:30 House 1A, 2nd Floor, Meeting room: Industrieviertelsaal | Workshop on Mental Health <i>"Fostering resilience, making health a priority"</i> Working Group on Mental Health |
| 10:30 - 11:00 Coffee Break | |
| 11:00 - 12:00 House 1A, 2nd Floor, Meeting room: Industrieviertelsaal | Workshop on Mental Health <i>"Fostering resilience, making health a priority"</i> Working Group on Mental Health |
| 12:00 - 12:45 Lunch break at in-house restaurant | |
| Study visit to the Agrana plant with - Working Group on the Bioeconomy <u>Bus transfer organised by Host region - 40 minutes</u> | |
| Meeting Point: "Sound tower"/ "Klangturm" in the Landhaus district at 12.50 Note to participants: please wear your Winter Dialogues badges and anti-slippery shoes. | |
| AGRANA is the leading sugar producer in Central and Eastern Europe. Committed to phasing out the use of fossil fuels in its production activities by 2040, AGRANA is an innovator in managing water resources and ensuring sustainable provision of agricultural commodities. | |
| Bus transfer from Agrana plant to the <u>House of Digitalisation,</u> <u>3430 Tulln/Donau, Konrad-Lorenz-Straße 10 - 10 min. Also reachable by train (LINK)</u> | |
| 14:45 - 15 45 Lecture hall 6, House of Digitalisation | Working Group on Bioeconomy |
| Parallel activities 16:00 - 18:30 | |
| Guided tour to the House of Digitalisation | Executive Board meeting (only for Board members) |

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| | <i>Lecture hall 6</i> |
| Bus transfer organised by host region (40 min) | |
| Dinner at typical restaurant <i>Winzerhof Müllner, 3124 Unterwölbling 2</i> 19:15 - 21:15 | |
| Bus transfer to Sankt Pölten (40 min) | |
| 30 November 2023 | |
| 9:00 - 9:30 Welcome and registration in Landhaus St. Pölten, House 1A, Foyer | |
| Parallel activities 9:30 - 11:00 | |
| Discussion on the AER Multiannual Strategy <i>House 1A, 2nd Floor,</i> <i>Meeting room: Industrieviertelsaal</i> | YRN Workshop and Preparatory Session for MEET debate <i>House 3, 2nd Floor, Meeting room: 3.201</i> |
| Coffee Break 11:00 - 11:30 | |
| Parallel Activities 11:30 - 12:45 | |
| Discussion on the AER Multi-Annual Strategy <i>House 1A, 2nd Floor,</i> <i>Meeting room: Industrieviertelsaal</i> | YRN Workshop and Preparatory Session for MEET debate <i>House 3, 2nd Floor, Meeting room: 3.201</i> |
| 12:45 - 13:30 Lunch break at In-House Restaurant <i>House 1A, 2nd Floor, "at the black picture"</i> | |
| 14:15 - 16:30 House 1A, Foyer Meeting room: St. Leopoldsaal | Autumn Bureau Meeting The Bureau will define positions on key AER action areas that will guide our advocacy work for 2024-2025 and will be joined by institutional and youth representatives to discuss the future of Europe |
| 17:15 - 19:00 House 1A, Foyer, Meeting room: St. Leopoldsaal | Bureau debate, part of the MEET Intergenerational Regional Debates In the run up to the EU elections, this debate will present a great opportunity to discuss the key challenges confronting Europe today and how regions can contribute to forging a more democratic, inclusive and sustainable future. During the event, representatives of European institutions, regional governments and young |

people will come together and engage in meaningful conversations about the future of Europe, focusing dialogue on how Europe can adopt a more sustainable path and improve people's well-being in urban and rural regions in line with the Green Deal ambitions.

Speakers:

Sabine Verheyen, Chair of the European Parliament's Committee on Culture and Education

Martin Selmayr, Head of Representation of the European Commission in Austria

Johannes Sundelin, AER Vice President for Sustainability, Green Transition and Health, Norrbotten Region

Jim Jensen, President of the Youth Regional Network

Rares Voicu, Board Member of the European Youth Forum

Mariana Borges, Regional Directorate for Youth, Region of Azores

Michael Stellwag, Young Local Councillor for Europe, Lower Austria

19:30 - 22:00

MEET Reception in House 1A, 2nd Floor, Meeting room: Ostarrichisaal